

ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Primary Agency:

Bloomfield Fire Department
Creighton Fire Department
Crofton Fire Department
Fire Departments
Hazmat Response Team
University of Nebraska System - Nebraska Forest Service

Support Agencies:

Chairperson of the Knox County Board
County Roads Superintendent
Emergency Medical Services
Knox County 911 Coordinator
Knox County Emergency Manager
Knox County Sheriff
Law Enforcement Officials
NE PET Region
Nebraska Emergency Management Agency
Nebraska Hazardous Incident Team
Nebraska State Fire Marshal
Nebraska State Patrol
Volunteer Coordinator
Volunteer Organization

BLOOMFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

CREIGHTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

CROFTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

NIOBRARA FIRE DEPARTMENT

SANTEE FIRE DEPARTMENT

VERDIGRE FIRE DEPARTMENT

WAUSA FIRE DEPARTMENT

40-12
MUTUAL
AID
ASSOCIATION

STATE SUPPORT:
Emergency Support Functions
4, 5, 10,
Fire Suppression,
Emergency Management,
Environmental Quality

Lead Agencies:
State Fire Marshal

Nebraska Emergency Management Agency,

I. PURPOSE

This Annex describes the direction, control, roles and responsibilities for a coordinated response for Fire Services during, or as a result of a natural or man-made disaster or a nuclear crisis.

II. SITUATION

- A. Knox County is vulnerable to severe weather and structures failures that could destroy property and cause loss of life.

- B. Trucks and airplanes can carry hazardous materials within the county. There are a number of sites in the county that store hazardous materials and substances. Because of this, the potential for accidents and incidents involving hazardous materials and substances exists.
- C. A risk analysis of fixed facilities and known transportation routes, where potential release situations with possible consequences beyond the boundaries of the facility or adjacent to the transportation route, was completed in conjunction with SARA Title III planning.
- D. SARA Title III requires that facilities report the use and storage of all extremely hazardous materials and materials included under the Community-Right-to Know category in the facility and other emergency plans. The most current information is included this Annex.
- E. Knox County is served by 77 Fire Departments and 77 (Attachment 1). All Fire Departments are members of the Knox County 40-12 Mutual Aid Association and all Rescue Squads are members of the KARA Mutual Aid Association
- F. There are no 0 private or company fire brigades located in Knox County.

III. ASSUMPTIONS and PLANNING FACTORS

- A. Existing fire personnel and equipment will be able to handle most emergency situations through their own resources or mutual aid.
- B. Clearing roads to permit passage of emergency vehicles is a high priority responsibility of Public Works subsequent to any disaster (Annex K).
- C. Law enforcement will handle on-scene traffic and crowd control to permit access to emergency personnel and equipment.
- D. The Nebraska Department of Health And Human Services, Office of Radiological Health will advise the local Fire Departments on the radiological response activities of a radiological incident/accident involving the county.

IV. ORGANIZATION and RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. The primary responsibilities of the Fire Services are the prevention and suppression of fires and responding to hazardous material incidents.
- B. The Fire Chief of each district in the County is designated as the Community Emergency Coordinator (CEC) for hazardous materials incidents as defined in the Superfund Amendment. As CEC, the Fire Chief:
 1. Receives notification from facilities that an accidental release of an extremely hazardous substance has occurred.
 2. Makes determination to implement those portions of the plan relating to hazardous material incident response, as necessary.

3. Provides notification to the Local Emergency Planning Committee and the public that the plan has been activated.
- C. The Fire Chief of each jurisdiction or fire district is responsible for the coordination, planning, training, and development of the Fire Department's operational policy for their respective jurisdiction including:
1. Fire Fighting,
 2. Coordination of Fire Services during a natural disaster, and
 3. Acting in the role of the CEC, coordinating with other governmental response authorities and Facility Emergency Coordinators in the event of a hazardous material incident.
- D. During emergency operations, the Fire Chief(s) of the affected jurisdiction(s), or a designated representative, will serve as a member of the EOC staff.
- E. In a situation that affects more than one Fire Department in the county and an Emergency Operations Center is activated, each department will select a member to represent their district on the EOC Staff. This representative will:
1. Coordinate data regarding requirements (i.e., personnel, equipment, supplies, reporting requirements, etc.) of the Fire Departments.
 2. Act as a liaison between Fire Departments and the local government and other agencies/organizations.
 3. Report general activities and status of Fire Services at EOC briefings.
- F. Overall Fire Service Responsibilities are:
1. Fire Chief
 - a. Develop standard operating procedures, provide training, and use the Incident Command System per the NIMS and implement policies for the department.
 - b. Coordinate and direct volunteers assisting the Fire Department.
 - c. Maintain a current file of information submitted under Title III to include:
 - i. The current list of reporting facilities and the Facility Emergency Coordinators (FEC).
 - ii. Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Inventory lists or Tier II reports.
 - d. Develop departmental tactical response plans for facilities where hazardous materials are produced, used, or stored.
 - e. Coordinate fire inspections for homes or commercial buildings during or after a disaster to determine if the facility is safe for occupancy.

- f. Alerts all emergency response organizations, governmental, non-governmental and private support agencies of the dangers associated with technological hazards and fire during emergency operations.

2. Senior Fire Officer

- a. Direct the level of response, request mutual aid or other assistance, and make decisions concerning the Fire Department's actions and policies during emergency operations.
- b. Direct search and rescue operations.
- c. Request the Medical Coordinator in the event of a Multiple Casualty Incident (MCI) if required (Annex G).
- d. Authorize Fire Department personnel and equipment to respond to mutual aid requests.

G. Line of Succession

Each Fire Department's line of succession is as follows:

- 1. Fire Chief,
- 2. Senior Fire Officer on duty.

The following are Actions specific to Annex F.

The following are Responsibilities specific to Annex F.

Primary: Bloomfield Fire Department	
<i>Preparedness (Pre-Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Maintain their normal administrative records of personnel, equipment and material used.
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Responsible for the initial response, and, if possible, containment of hazardous material incidents within their level of training and certification.

Primary: Fire Departments	
<i>Preparedness (Pre-Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Responsible for the coordination, planning, training, and development of the Fire Department's operational policy for their respective jurisdiction which includes: Fire fighting, coordination of Fire Services during a natural disaster, and acting in the role of the CEC, coordinating with other governmental response authorities and Facility Emergency Coordinators in the event of a hazardous material incident.

2	Develop standard operating procedures, provide training, and use the Incident Command System per the NIMS and implement policies for the department.
3	Maintain a current file of information submitted under Title III to include: the current list of reporting facilities and the Facility Emergency Coordinators (FEC) and Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Inventory lists or Tier II reports.
4	Develop departmental tactical response plans for facilities where hazardous materials are produced, used, or stored.
5	Ensure that personnel are selected and trained in both radiological monitoring equipment operation and agency emergency response procedures before responding to a radiological incident.
6	Prepare and submit reports required by Statutes of the State of Nebraska and as requested by other state agencies.
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Receives notification from facilities that an accidental release of an extremely hazardous substance has occurred.
2	Determines to implement those portions of the plan relating to hazardous material incident response, as necessary.
3	Provide notification to the Local Emergency Planning Committee and the public that the plan has been activated.
4	Coordinate and direct volunteers assisting the Fire Department.
5	Coordinate fire inspections for homes or commercial buildings during or after a disaster to determine if the facility is safe for occupancy.
6	Alert all emergency response organizations, governmental, non-governmental and private support agencies of the dangers associated with technological hazards and fire during emergency operations.
7	Direct the level of response, request mutual aid or other assistance, and make decisions concerning the Fire Department's actions and policies during emergency operations.
8	Direct search and rescue operations.
9	Request the Medical Coordinator in the event of a Multiple Casualty Incident (MCI) if required (Annex G).
10	Authorize Fire Department personnel and equipment to respond to mutual aid requests.
11	Request mutual aid when the emergency extends beyond the capabilities of the local Fire Department.
12	Notify the local Emergency Management Director, if one is appointed, or the County Emergency Management Director to coordinate additional support.
13	Utilize the Fire Department personnel and equipment to support other agencies or organizations during an emergency/disaster, dependent on the current situation and resources available.
14	Prepare and submit reports required by Statutes of the State of Nebraska and as requested by other state agencies.

Primary: Hazmat Response Team

Preparedness (Pre-Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Responsible for the coordination, planning, training, and development of the Fire Department's operational policy for their respective jurisdiction which includes: Fire fighting, coordination of Fire Services during a natural disaster, and acting in the role of
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	the CEC, coordinating with other governmental response authorities and Facility Emergency Coordinators in the event of a hazardous material incident.
2	Develop departmental tactical response plans for facilities where hazardous materials are produced, used, or stored.
3	Prepare and submit reports required by Statutes of the State of Nebraska and as requested by other state agencies.
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Determines to implement those portions of the plan relating to hazardous material incident response, as necessary.
2	Provide notification to the Local Emergency Planning Committee and the public that the plan has been activated.
3	Alert all emergency response organizations, governmental, non-governmental and private support agencies of the dangers associated with technological hazards and fire during emergency operations.
4	Prepare and submit reports required by Statutes of the State of Nebraska and as requested by other state agencies.

Supporting: Chairperson of the Knox County Board	
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

Supporting: County Roads Superintendent	
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

Supporting: Knox County Emergency Manager	
Preparedness (Pre-Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Develop standard operating procedures, provide training, and use the Incident Command System per the NIMS and implement policies for the department.
2	Maintain a current file of information submitted under Title III to include: the current list of reporting facilities and the Facility Emergency Coordinators (FEC) and Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Inventory lists or Tier II reports.
3	Prepare and submit reports required by Statutes of the State of Nebraska and as requested by other state agencies.
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Receives notification from facilities that an accidental release of an extremely hazardous substance has occurred.
2	Provide notification to the Local Emergency Planning Committee and the public that the plan has been activated.
3	Request assistance from the state and/or other agencies/organizations required at the scene.
4	Coordinate additional support and for notification of and reporting to the appropriate state agencies.

5	Prepare and submit reports required by Statutes of the State of Nebraska and as requested by other state agencies.
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Supporting: Knox County Sheriff

Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Receives notification from facilities that an accidental release of an extremely hazardous substance has occurred.
2	Provide notification to the Local Emergency Planning Committee and the public that the plan has been activated.
3	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.
4	Coordinate fire inspections for homes or commercial buildings during or after a disaster to determine if the facility is safe for occupancy.
5	Alert all emergency response organizations, governmental, non-governmental and private support agencies of the dangers associated with technological hazards and fire during emergency operations.
6	Direct search and rescue operations.
7	Responsible for all searches involving missing or downed aircraft other than military.
8	Utilize the Fire Department personnel and equipment to support other agencies or organizations during an emergency/disaster, dependent on the current situation and resources available.

Supporting: Law Enforcement Officials

Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Handle on-scene traffic and crowd control to permit access to emergency personnel and equipment.
2	Determines to implement those portions of the plan relating to hazardous material incident response, as necessary.
3	Coordinate all searches involving fires and personal injuries.
4	Responsible for searches involving lost or missing persons, fugitives, and bomb scares.

Supporting: Nebraska Hazardous Incident Team

Preparedness (Pre-Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Responsible for the coordination, planning, training, and development of the Fire Department's operational policy for their respective jurisdiction which includes: Fire fighting, coordination of Fire Services during a natural disaster, and acting in the role of the CEC, coordinating with other governmental response authorities and Facility Emergency Coordinators in the event of a hazardous material incident.
2	Develop departmental tactical response plans for facilities where hazardous materials are produced, used, or stored.

Supporting: Nebraska State Fire Marshal

Preparedness (Pre-Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Responsible for the coordination, planning, training, and development of the Fire Department's operational policy for their respective jurisdiction which includes: Fire
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	fighting, coordination of Fire Services during a natural disaster, and acting in the role of the CEC, coordinating with other governmental response authorities and Facility Emergency Coordinators in the event of a hazardous material incident.
2	Develop standard operating procedures, provide training, and use the Incident Command System per the NIMS and implement policies for the department.
3	Develop departmental tactical response plans for facilities where hazardous materials are produced, used, or stored.

Supporting: Nebraska State Patrol

Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Handle on-scene traffic and crowd control to permit access to emergency personnel and equipment.
2	Direct search and rescue operations.
3	Define the hazard area.
4	Limit access requirements.
5	Provide advice on the hazards involved and making recommendations to local executives.
6	Responsible for searches involving lost or missing persons, fugitives, and bomb scares.
7	Responsible for all searches involving missing or downed aircraft other than military.

Chairperson of Village Board

Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.
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Chief Elected Official (CEO)

Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.
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City/Village Streets

Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.
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Civil Air Patrol

Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Responsible for all searches involving missing or downed aircraft other than military.
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Clerk/Treasurer's Office

Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.
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Communications Center

Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Request mutual aid when the emergency extends beyond the capabilities of the local Fire Department.
2	Notify the local Emergency Management Director, if one is appointed, or the County Emergency Management Director to coordinate additional support.

County Public Information Officer	
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Provide notification to the Local Emergency Planning Committee and the public that the plan has been activated.
2	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

Damage Assessment Coordinator	
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Coordinate fire inspections for homes or commercial buildings during or after a disaster to determine if the facility is safe for occupancy.

EOC Logistics Manager	
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

EOC Supporting Staff	
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

Fire Department EOC Staff Representative	
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.
2	Coordinate data regarding requirements (i.e., personnel, equipment, supplies, reporting requirements, etc.) of the Fire Departments.
3	Act as a liaison between Fire Departments and the local government and other agencies/organizations.
4	Report general activities and status of Fire Services at EOC briefings.

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment Team	
Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
1	Coordinate fire inspections for homes or commercial buildings during or after a disaster to determine if the facility is safe for occupancy.

Knox County Attorney	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

Mayor	
<i>Preparedness (Pre-Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Responsible for the coordination, planning, training, and development of the Fire Department's operational policy for their respective jurisdiction which includes: Fire fighting, coordination of Fire Services during a natural disaster, and acting in the role of the CEC, coordinating with other governmental response authorities and Facility Emergency Coordinators in the event of a hazardous material incident.
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

Medical Coordinator	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Advise the local Fire Departments on the radiological response activities of a radiological incident/accident involving the county.

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission - Law Enforcement Division	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Direct search and rescue operations.

Nebraska National Guard	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Responsible for all searches involving missing or downed aircraft other than military.

Nebraska Wing of the Civil Air Patrol	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Responsible for all searches involving missing or downed aircraft other than military.

Office of Radiological Health	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	

1	Advise the local Fire Departments on the radiological response activities of a radiological incident/accident involving the county.
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Police Department	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Define the hazard area.
2	Limit access requirements.
3	Provide advice on the hazards involved and making recommendations to local executives.
4	Responsible for searches involving lost or missing persons, fugitives, and bomb scares.

Public Health Director	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

Public Works	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

Public Works Director	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.
2	Alert all emergency response organizations, governmental, non-governmental and private support agencies of the dangers associated with technological hazards and fire during emergency operations.

Rescue Chief	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Direct search and rescue operations.
2	Request the Medical Coordinator in the event of a Multiple Casualty Incident (MCI) if required (Annex G).

State Fire Marshal	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Support operations to the fullest extent possible and would normally be contacted as early as possible in major fire, explosion, or hazardous material incidents or accidents.

Street Superintendent	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

USDA County Emergency Board	
<i>Response (During Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Serve as a member of the EOC staff.

Village Boards	
<i>Preparedness (Pre-Event) Actions for ANNEX F - FIRE SERVICES AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</i>	
1	Responsible for the coordination, planning, training, and development of the Fire Department's operational policy for their respective jurisdiction which includes: Fire fighting, coordination of Fire Services during a natural disaster, and acting in the role of the CEC, coordinating with other governmental response authorities and Facility Emergency Coordinators in the event of a hazardous material incident.

V. CONCEPT of OPERATIONS

A. Mutual Aid

1. The Senior Fire Officer will request mutual aid when the emergency extends beyond the capabilities of the local Fire Department.
2. When an emergency extends beyond the capabilities of mutual aid resources, the Senior Fire Officer will:
 - a. Notify the local Emergency Management Director, if one is appointed, or the County Emergency Management Director to coordinate additional support.
 - b. Request assistance from the state and/or other agencies/organizations required at the scene.

B. Hazardous Materials

Specific policies, responsibilities, and operational procedures for hazardous material response including radiological are contained in Appendix 1 to this Annex. The following general guidelines apply for hazardous material response:

1. The local Fire Department is responsible for the initial response, and, if possible, containment of hazardous material incidents within their level of training and certification. The Incident Commander will coordinate with law enforcement regarding:
 - a. Defining the hazard area,
 - b. Limiting access requirements,
 - c. Providing advice on the hazards involved and making recommendations to local executives.

2. Direct advisory or technical support will be requested through the Communications Center.
 - a. Accidents involving chemicals
 - i. Chemtrec (1-800-424-9300),
 - ii. NEMA Duty Officer,
 - iii. Nebraska Environment and Energy (NDEE),
 - iv. The nearest MOU (Memoranda of Understanding) Hazmat Response Team is Norfolk.
 - b. Accidents involving radioactive materials
 - i. Immediate notification to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services is required. Once they have been notified, it is their responsibility to determine what radiation control actions are necessary to protect the public.
 - ii. Each Fire Chief will ensure that personnel are selected and trained in both radiological monitoring equipment operation and agency emergency response procedures before responding to a radiological incident.
 - iii. In addition, all major hazardous material incidents will be reported to the County Emergency Management Director for coordinating additional support and for notification of and reporting to the appropriate state agencies.

C. Searches

1. The Senior Fire Officer of the jurisdiction will coordinate all searches involving:
 - a. Fires,
 - b. Personal injuries.
2. Law enforcement officials are responsible for searches involving:
 - a. Lost or missing persons,
 - b. Fugitives,
 - c. Bomb scares.
3. The Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) is responsible for all searches involving missing or downed aircraft other than military.

4. When a search extends beyond the capabilities of the coordinating agency, the County Emergency Management Director will be notified to coordinate additional requirements.
5. Additional resources (personnel, equipment, supplies) may be available through:
 - a. Mutual Aid,
 - b. Local, state, and/or federal agencies, and
 - c. Volunteer organizations.

D. Rescue

Rescue operations are usually performed by the Fire Department. Annex G has a detailed description of emergency medical operations. Each jurisdiction is responsible for providing rescue, emergency treatment, and transportation for the seriously ill or injured. This is accomplished through:

1. The local Fire Department's Rescue Unit. See Annex G, Attachment 2, for EMS resources.
2. Mutual aid agreements with adjacent Fire Department's Rescue Units when the local Fire Department does not operate a Rescue Unit or when the Rescue Unit is unavailable.
3. The Rescue Units of the individual Fire Departments have the capability to provide Basic Life Support only. The Bloomfield and Crofton Services will have to be called if Advance Life Support Service is required depending on the location of the call within the county. The Norfolk NE or Yankton SD rescue units can also be called for Advance Life Support along with LifeNet and Mercy Aircare helicopter units.

E. Resources

1. The State Fire Marshal has certain fire response and investigative responsibilities as set forth in State Statutes. In addition, the Fire Marshal will support operations to the fullest extent possible and would normally be contacted as early as possible in major fire, explosion, or hazardous material incidents or accidents.
2. Agencies available to support Fire Services along with contact information are listed in the Knox County Mutual Aid Association Resource Directory and the Knox County Emergency Management Resource Lists.

F. Support to Other Agencies

The Senior Fire Officer has the authority to utilize the Fire Department personnel and equipment to support other agencies or organizations during an emergency/disaster, dependent on the current situation and resources available. Areas of possible support include:

1. Law Enforcement: traffic and crowd control.
2. Health and Medical: first aid stations, public health (i.e., collecting water samples, etc.), and transportation to assist a medical facility during evacuation.
3. Radiological Protection: radiological monitoring and decontamination.
4. Public Works: debris clearance.

G. Extended Operations

1. All fire and rescue personnel in the county or jurisdiction may go on full time status with twelve (12) hour shifts. An exception will be the individuals who are considered by the Executive Group to be key personnel in other areas.
2. Mutual aid information may be coordinated through the EOC.
3. The fire districts within the county will maintain their normal jurisdictional responsibilities.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE and LOGISTICS

A. Administration

The individual Fire Departments will maintain their normal administrative records of personnel, equipment and material used. Accurate record keeping will identify specific needs to the Resources Coordinator (Annex L).

B. Reports

Each Fire Chief will prepare and submit reports required by Statutes of the State of Nebraska and as requested by other state agencies.

C. General

Some of the information contained in this Annex may also be found in the publication "Rural Fire Plan, Knox County Mutual Aid Association" and supporting documents. Additional detailed information specifically pertaining to the Mutual Aid Association is contained in these publications and has not been duplicated in this Plan.

VII. TRAINING and EXERCISING

A. Training

1. In addition to the prescribed training required by Fire Departments for normal operations, fire personnel should be trained in:
 - a. Radiological monitoring/decontamination - every two years,

- b. Hazardous materials response to the level determined by their employer in compliance with OSHA and EPA regulations. It is critical that responders never perform a function for which they are not adequately trained and equipped.
2. Intra-agency action will be taken to inform other emergency support agencies of the physical hazards associated with fire emergencies.
3. The training program will be consistent with the Homeland Security Exercise Plan procedures. All training supported by the Homeland Security grant process must be DHS (Department of Homeland Security) approved.

B. Exercising

All exercises and drills will be evaluated and any follow-up activities conducted in accordance with the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP).

ANNEX F - LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

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