



Director's Notes

END OF MONTH COMMUNICATIONS

April 2012

KYEM STRATEGIC GOAL #3 - ACTIVE PLANNING

SAR

The SAR Chief's "first of the calendar year" meeting was very successful with record attendance. Great dialogue occurred between attendees for the need to coordinate response at the county level. SAR teams who responded and coordinated efforts during the tornado outbreak in March deserve a huge pat on the back!

Additionally, the Statewide Mutual Aid Tabletop Exercise was discussed for SAR on October 19, which will precede the next SAR Chief's meeting on October 20. That meeting will be for SAR Chiefs and County SAR coordinators.

REMINDER - Statewide Communications Exercise

The Statewide Communications Exercise is the best opportunity for our county partners to get a full-scale functional exercise in support of EMPG requirements. Information has been put out through your regional managers and we hope every county can participate to their fullest ability to earn credit for a full-scale functional exercise.

STARTS Tuesday May 1 - Don't miss it!

IT Training

The Sharepoint Portal training is going very well! New concepts for locating information are being provided through Michele Hamilton and we look forward to getting that out to all regions this year. The ITEAMS application, which serves as a repository for training records for all our partners and contact information, is being rolled out beginning this month. The first training session was in Region 6 last week and was very successful. It holds great promise for giving us an effective tool to manage our training and organizational information.

Mutual Aid Support System

MASS, a pilot project for NEMA, will give us the ability to quickly find resources needed for response across the state. Ultimately it will make those resources available for the EMAC system, should a state require us to provide resources. Training on MASS and getting information in the system has already begun. We look forward to rolling that out later this year for statewide implementation. MASS was designed to support both the local mutual aid requirement and the national assistance compact requirement.

County Emergency Management Training

We will have the first iteration of the new County Emergency Management Directors Training at Wendell H. Ford Regional Training Center the week of May 7 – 11. We are looking forward to offering the training twice a year and to get as many of our partners through that process. We hope it will become a building block for county emergency manager certification in the future.

Emergency Response Commission Meeting

The next Emergency Response Commission meeting will be held May 16 in Frankfort at the Capital Plaza Hotel. We hope as many of our county partners who can attend will.

Applicant Agent Certification Course

Our third iteration of the Applicant Agent Certification Course training will be held May 21 – 25 in Frankfort. The training is conducted by our Recovery Branch specialists. We've received rave reviews for the training. During the last disaster, the training proved a positive impact on many of the counties who had gone through the course in their application for public assistance grant funding. We strongly encourage every county emergency manager or the applicant agent for a county take the training.

Transparency: Public Assistance/Division Circular

Public Assistance grant reports are now out on Sharepoint and available to pull down and review. Additionally, the Division Circular, which addresses all programs supported by the Division, will be published by the end of the first quarter.

2nd District SAR Training Opportunity

The 2nd District SAR training opportunity will be in Floyd Co. May 25 – 27, 2012. Anyone interested should check the training website for class information and registration. Mike Buresh is doing a fantastic job - our SAR program is off and running this year offering a tremendous amount of classes to get trained.

Looking Forward...

SAR District Event

Our 3rd SAR District event will be conducted in Northern Kentucky on June 15 – 17 for those who would like to attend that training.

Private Sector

Our next Private Sector meeting will be May 8 (information can be obtained on our website). We are looking forward to a "by invitation only" PSWG meeting in July for our critical infrastructure partners, which will be taking place in Somerset at the PTAC center. Additionally, Kentucky will be part of CUSEC's Private Sector workshop in August. Private Sector continues to be an emphasis area for Kentucky and we are stabilizing and continuing our data ability to our virtual business emergency operations portal and our process we use to credential responders and private sector as they come into the impacted area.

KYEM Progressive Training Plan

Regional managers are in the process of gathering requirements and opportunities for calendar years 2013 – 2014 for emergency management training. We will be putting together our plan in June and July. Sometime around September, the plan will be released to all counties so they can synchronize their training and exercise efforts. We are really excited about this new process.

KENTUCKY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STRATEGIC PLAN

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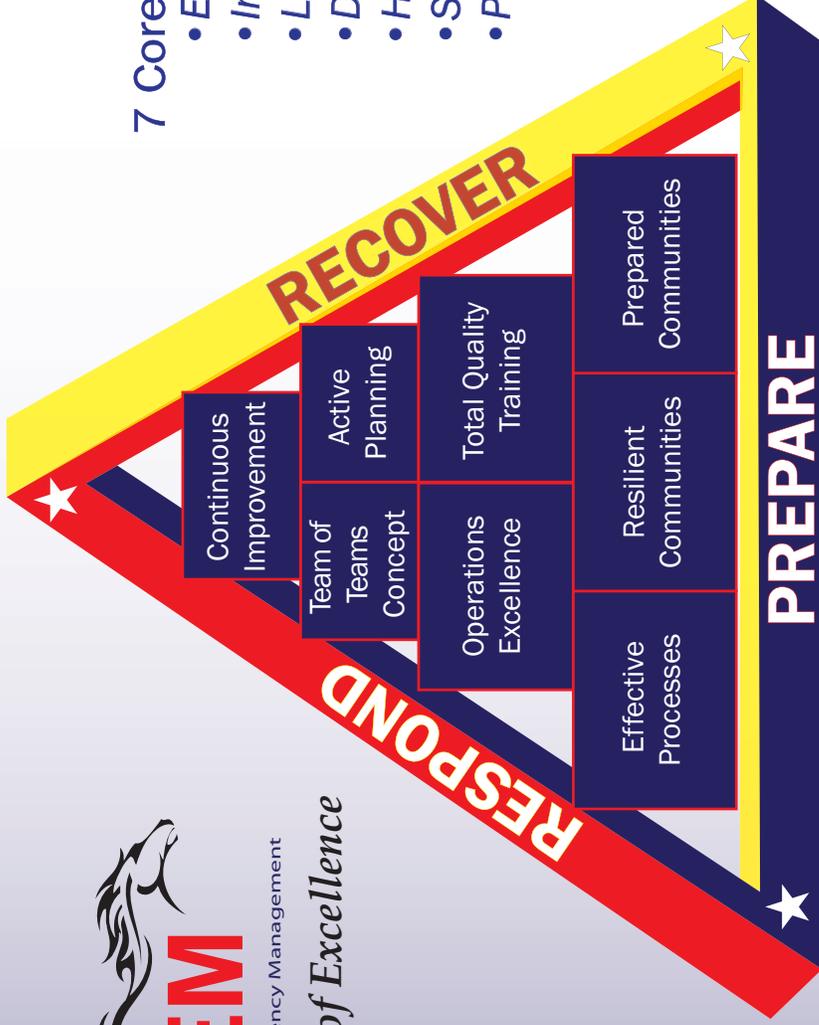
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