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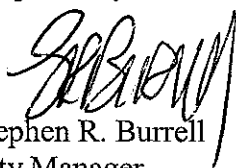
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CURRENT MAJOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND
PROJECT INITIATIVES

I have attached some information that you may find helpful that has been provided by
Mike Martinet, Executive Director, Area G.

Respectfully submitted,

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Current Major Emergency Management
Program and Project Initiatives

Federal

National Response Plan (NRP)   **US DHS**
The NRP is the primary federal disaster response coordinating document which identifies key policies, concepts and procedures. It forms the basis of how the federal government coordinates with state, local, and tribal governments and the private sector during incidents. The NRP is currently under revision in response to lessons learned in Hurricane Katrina – release of the new NRP has been delayed until late 2007.

National Incident Management System (NIMS)   **US DHS**
"The National Incident Management System provides a consistent nationwide template to establish Federal, State, tribal and local governments and private sector and nongovernmental organizations to work together." This approach closely mirrors California's Standardized Emergency Management System and is based on the Incident Command System.

> **In order to maintain eligibility for federal grant funding, local jurisdictions must take action to gain compliance with NIMS including formal governing body adoption, changes and modifications to emergency plans and procedures, and training/qualification of personnel.**

For FY07, ICS 100/200 and the Introduction to NIMS and the NRP are required training for front line staff and selected leaders.
> ⇒ *NIMS is "how" we will coordinate our efforts.*

NIMS Capability Assessment Support Tool (NIMSCAST)   **US DHS**
Local jurisdictions may no longer self-certify as being NIMS compliant but must instead report performance on the NIMSCAST system. This is a self-assessment of capability to prepare for, prevent, respond to, and recover from a disaster or terrorist attack. This may determine future grant eligibility. NIMSCAST reports are due to State OES by August 30th for Operational Areas and September 7th for independently reporting cities.
> ⇒ *NIMSCAST is "how well" we are doing in implementing NIMS.*

Target Capabilities List (TCL)   **US DHS**
The TCL supports the National Preparedness Goal by defining the capabilities needed at all levels of government in order to achieve national preparedness. It provides the basis for assessing preparedness. The TCL currently identifies 37 core capabilities which establish target levels of performance under specified conditions. Although "no single jurisdiction or agency is expected to perform every task," the TCL will become the set of standards against which all public safety and emergency management programs are measured.
> ⇒ *The TCL is "how well" we should do when we respond.*

National Mutual Aid and Resource Management Initiative – Resource Typing
Resource typing is designed to help emergency managers identify, locate, request, order, and track outside resources. There are currently 120 Resource Typing Definitions which cover teams, personnel, equipment, supplies, vehicles, and aircraft. Every potential local, state, and federal response asset will be identified using the national definition. For example, a Type I SWAT Team differs from a Type II in that it has night vision goggles, SCBAs, robot systems,

canine teams, fiber optics, extended long-range weapons, an armored personnel carrier and more technical specialists. All local assets must be evaluated and defined.

⇒ *This how we will define our teams and equipment.*

National Emergency Responder Credentialing System Typing   US DHS
Currently in progress and similar to the Resource Typing Initiative, this effort will document minimum professional qualifications, certifications, training and education requirements that define baseline criteria expected of emergency response professionals and volunteers for deployment as mutual aid to disasters.

⇒ *This how we will define and title our personnel.*

Incident Resource Inventory System (IRIS)   US DHS
A free database management tool for Federal, State, local and tribal officials. The software allows emergency responders to enter and track typed resources for mutual aid. Phase One is now available on-line and allows a jurisdiction's 120 typed resources to be shared nationally and housed locally. Tracks equipment, communications, contracts, facilities, responders, services, supplies, and teams.

National Fire Protection Association Standard 1600 (NFPA 1600)   NFPA
The NFPA 1600 standard formally defines emergency management and business continuity in the public and private sectors. NFPA 1600 now defines the five phases of emergency management as prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery.

Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP) Standards   EMAP
New EMAP standards entitled "Emergency Management Standards by EMAP" are currently out for public comment. NEMA, IAEM, NACo and others have developed new standards, separate and independent of the NFPA 1600. These standards are written to serve as a set of standards defining a quality emergency management program to be a tool for strategic planning and improvement efforts. These standards establish "minimum acceptable performance criteria" for those seeking EMAP accreditation. Requirements include multi-year strategic plan w/ measurable objectives, a rank ordered hazard mitigation plan with monitoring, communication plan, recovery plan Continuity of Operations plan, Continuity of Government plan, a complete resource management system, formal training program, and a public info program that can communicate with special needs population.

***Ready America* domains   US DHS**
This federal initiative is intended to foster a consistent nationwide standard of Internet URLs that will serve as the primary source of interlinked preparedness information for the public. The concept of "Ready America.gov" would be adopted by state and local governments as "Ready California.gov." This would be tied to a national public service advertising campaign.

Catastrophic Earthquake Plan   FEMA
This effort will develop a Concept of Operations Plan (CONOPS) for integrating federal response efforts in the State of California. Additionally, the effort will produce a Contingency Plan (CONPLAN) for the response to a major earthquake. This effort will be executed by a contractor and make use of a 1906 San Andreas earthquake scenario. The project will run August to December 2007.

CA Disaster Resource and Capability Assessment Project   CA OHS
This Internet database is designed to identify and track key emergency response resources in order to support rapid mobilization and demobilization of assets including equipment and personnel. Although participation is not yet mandatory it is encouraged. Each operational area OES will be asked to gather, input and maintain information for all assets that do not belong to fire or law enforcement agencies. This under development and may be fielded in late 2007.

Emergency Responder Credentialing Program   CA OES
Approved in February 2007, this new statewide program is designed to verify the identity and qualifications of emergency responders for key SEMS/NIMS positions. Intended to transition into the federal National Emergency Responder Credentialing System.

Emergency Managers Mutual Aid (EMMA) database   CA OES
This new Internet accessible database will support the Emergency Managers Mutual Aid (EMMA) system by providing State OES with detailed capability and experience information on emergency managers statewide. Each operational area OES will gather, input and maintain the information which includes qualifications, experience, and contact details.

Emergency Services Gap Analysis for the State of California   CA Legislature
At the recommendation of the Little Hoover Commission, the State Legislature has directed that a gap analysis performed on California's preparedness to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from catastrophic events. Contractors have distributed a web-based survey which is based on the Target Capabilities List (TCL) and Universal Task List (UTL). Analysis was performed at the city level and then compiled and reported at the Operational Area level. Results were submitted to the State on May 25th – the final report is due to the Legislature in August.

Golden Guardian   CA OHS
Administered by CA OHS, this statewide annual exercise program focuses on regional response to terrorist attack. Scenarios and locations vary each year but near simultaneous functional and full-scale exercise events are held in each of the three regions. For FY08, the scenario is to be a major earthquake on the San Andreas fault.

Government Officials Training and Exercises in California   CA OHS
Tied to Golden Guardian, this program aims to train elected and appointed officials on their public information role in a disaster. Target audience is city council members, mayors, board of supervisors, police and fire chiefs and senior staff of jurisdictions participating in Golden Guardian.

OES/OHS merger   CA OHS
Assembly Bill 38 (Nava) would create a new Dept. of Emergency Services and Homeland Security by effectively combining and integrating OES and OHS. This would forge a closer tie between the state's operations and its federal funding mechanisms. This is supported by the Governor's office and the California Operational Area Coalition. It passed out of committee unanimously but was stalled by political in-fighting in July. This may still move forward in next year's legislative session.

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Hi Steve,

Here are the notes from last night.

Mike

Endurance	•Ministerial Association •Pet Care Organizations •Mental Health •Resource Conservation •Spontaneous Volunteer Utilization •Relocation of Victims
Preparation	•Mutual aid •community involvement in exercises •web access •phase II plan •logistics •home survival kit •schools •fail safe communications •medical team (MMRC) •identify critical resources (PODS) •identify business partners •identify grant opportunities •"strike fund"
Recovery	•Recovery Czar •FEMA Processes •Expedited Paperwork •Debris Management •Web based forms
Survival	•Victim Triage Center •Disaster Volunteer Organizations •Emergency Communications •Fire Bell (Siren) •CERT Team •Shelter-In-Place •Shelters •Public Safety Response (Outside officers living in Hermosa Beach)
Education	

	•Hermosa Beach "3 Degrees" •Public service announcements •children •printed materials •program logo •media awareness •pet care •role of Neighborhood Watch •presentations •information booth •Red Cross partnerships •Emergency Preparedness Day •First Aid & CPR •Business education •communications training
Other	•Public Input •Land use issues •Un-reinforced Masonry buildings •internet access •cable TV •information management