

ANNEX G

Law Enforcement

I. PURPOSE

This annex provides for proper consideration of law enforcement activities in order to insure the safety of life and property during disaster/emergency situations.

II. SITUATIONS AND ASSUMPTIONS

A. Situation

1. Reference Paragraph II A, Basic Plan.
2. During times of emergency, law enforcement agencies will be called upon to expand their operations. East Baton Rouge Parish has access to several state and federal agencies, which can provide support to local agencies as needed.

B. Assumptions

1. Reference Paragraph II B, Basic Plan.
2. Local law enforcement personnel within East Baton Rouge Parish will generally be able to provide adequate police control through existing mutual aid agreements. If local capabilities are exceeded, support will be available from any of several state and federal law enforcement groups.

III. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

A. Reference Paragraph III, Basic Plan.

B. General

1. Emergency operations for law enforcement agencies will simply be an expansion of their normal daily responsibilities. These responsibilities include maintenance of law and order, traffic control and crowd control.
2. When an emergency is declared and this plan is implemented and the EOC is activated, the Sheriff or his designated representative(s) will report to the EOC.

3. During the threat or existence of a nuclear attack or other emergency and/or disaster, the Sheriff or his designated representative will coordinate law enforcement activities with other parish agencies from the EOC.
4. The call-up of law enforcement personnel will be in accordance with prescribed departmental/agency policy. The operational priorities for personnel will be assigned by the Sheriff. All personnel will report as outlined in their respective agency operating guidelines.
5. Law enforcement agencies will establish inner and outer perimeters to secure a disaster scene. A strict policy of limited access to the disaster area will be rigidly enforced to ensure the safety and well-being of the community. All movement into and out of the area will be requested through the established Command Post.

C. Phases of Emergency Management

1. Prevention
 - a. Exercise plan and update as needed.
2. Mitigation
 - a. Continuous plan review and updating.
3. Preparedness
 - a. Plans for traffic control/evacuations.
 - b. Development of communications systems.
 - c. Training of primary and auxiliary personnel.
4. Response
 - a. Maintain law and order.
 - b. Provide mobile units for warning purposes.
 - c. Provide security for key installations/facilities and evacuation shelters.
 - d. Patrol evacuated areas and control access to restricted areas.
 - e. Provide back-up communications for shelter operations.
 - f. Support other public safety operations.
 - g. Provide traffic and crowd control.

- h. Provide Radiological Defense support, as appropriate.
5. Recovery
- a. Continue response operations.
 - b. Assist in damage assessment.
 - c. Assist in return home of evacuees.
- D. Execution
1. When the EOC is activated, the Law Enforcement Coordinator for each agency will ensure that a law enforcement representative is present in the EOC to coordinate field operations with other EOC representatives/agencies.
 2. Overall law enforcement responsibilities are outlined in Paragraph III B, above.
 3. Each department/agency in the parish having responsibility for emergency preparedness must develop operating guidelines and resource listings to support their respective operating guidelines. Instructions will include concepts to provide security for vacated risk area property and population, essential organizations, prisoners, relocated population and congregate care (shelter) facilities in respective jurisdictions. (See individual operating guidelines for law enforcement).

IV. ORGANIZATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Reference Paragraph IV, Basic Plan.

B. Organization

The organization of law enforcement agencies in East Baton Rouge Parish facilitates the effective coordination and control of like and complimentary support activities. The organizations structure reflected in Appendix 1 to this annex readily identifies the positions and relationships of all essential services.

C. Task Assignments

1. Sheriff's Office

- _____ a. Coordinate all law enforcement activities in the Parish.
- _____ b. Maintain law and order.
- _____ c. Provide mobile units for warning operations.

- _____d. Security for vital facilities and resources.
- _____e. Traffic control for parish roads.
- _____f. Crowd control.
- _____g. Support for other public safety activities.
- _____h. Provide marine units as needed/available for other operations.
- _____i. Staff the EOC on a 24 hour basis.
- _____j. Deliver Radiological Monitoring Kits.
- _____k. Transfer and relocation of prisoners in case jail facilities cannot be used.
- _____l. Use of law enforcement personnel to assist in movement to shelter or evacuate.
- _____m. Protection of property and damaged areas.
- _____n. Evacuating disaster areas during emergency operations.
- _____o. Limiting access to the disaster or evacuation area during response and recovery operations and providing security in disaster, evacuated or other effected areas.
- _____p. Provide security for the EOC.

2. Municipal Police Departments

- _____a. All of the above with the exception of part 1a.
- _____b. Responsible for part 1a in their respective jurisdictions.

3. Louisiana State Police

- _____a. Monitor NAWAS as the secondary warning point (See Annex C, Warning).
- _____b. Provide traffic control on state and federal roads.
- _____c. Perform normal law enforcement activities.
- _____d. Provide support to local operations, as needed.

4. Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries
 - _____a. Perform normal law enforcement activities.
 - _____b. Provide support for local operations.
5. Louisiana National Guard
 - _____a. Provide support for local operations, when authorized.
6. Local Department of Public Works
 - _____a. Responsible for positioning traffic control devices (i.e., barricades, covers, etc.) as directed by law enforcement personnel.
7. Constable's Office
 - _____a. Provide security for local hospitals.
 - _____b. Support local law enforcement agencies.

V. DIRECTION AND CONTROL

The East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office is responsible for coordinating all emergency law enforcement activities. Each police force will maintain authority within its own jurisdiction. All law enforcement operations will be directed from the EOC by the Sheriff or his designee. Routine operations will be handled by standard operating procedures. State and Federal support will be called upon as needed.

VI. CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT

Lines of succession to each department head are according to the Standard Operating Procedures established by each department. (See Basic Plan, Section VI).

VII. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. Emergency Authority

See Basic Plan.

B. Passes

The decision to require a pass will rest upon the executive branch of the local government and the order for requiring passes will be issued by the EOC. Temporary passes and

permanent "official vehicle" passes should be considered for possible use. A card-type pass should be issued to essential City-Parish personnel, MOHSEP personnel and key industries. The following vehicles and their occupants are exempt from pass requirements: utility companies (electric, telephone, gas companies, etc.) military and government, City-Parish (water, sewer, trucks, etc.), and relief agencies (American Red Cross, Salvation Army, etc.). All vehicles must be appropriately marked. If a question arises concerning a pass, the party should be referred to the nearest law enforcement officer for resolution.

C. Communications

The East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office and the Baton Rouge Police Department will use 800 MHz radios and/or base stations in the EOC during response and recovery operations.

D. Key Facilities

A listing of key facilities designated for police protection during an emergency is included in Appendix 5 to the Basic Plan.

VIII. PLAN DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE

A. Reference Paragraph VIII, Basic Plan.

B. It is the responsibility of each law enforcement agency to insure its own operational capabilities and maintain their own operating guidelines. The East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office will continue the planning of all law enforcement operations related to emergency preparedness operations.

IX. AUTHORITIES AND REFERENCES

A. Reference Paragraph IX, Basic Plan.

X. GLOSSARY/DEFINITION OF TERMS

A. Reference Paragraph X, Basic Plan.

APPENDICES TO ANNEX G:

1. Law Enforcement Organizational Chart
2. Law Enforcement Resources

3. Traffic Control Points/Emergency Stop Locations
4. Traffic Movement and Control Plan for Crisis Relocation
5. Sheriff's Plan
6. Baton Rouge Police Procedures