

EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION - TWENTY ONE RECOVERY AND RESTORATION

PRIMARY AGENCY: Kittitas County Emergency Management

SUPPORT AGENCIES: The hazard and scope of the disaster will determine the extent of agencies involved, however all agencies may be involved.

INTRODUCTION

A. Purpose

The purpose of this ESF is to establish uniform policies for effective coordination to accomplish recovery and restoration tasks resulting from a natural or technological emergency or disaster.

B. Scope

Recovery and restoration actions following any emergency or disaster will be determined by the specific event. All jurisdictional agencies may be involved depending upon the hazards and scope of the situation.

POLICIES

A. Emergencies or Disasters

Recovery and restoration activities are operational in nature and begin while response operation activities are still underway. For most events, these activities will begin with Emergency Management from the EOC or other location, work to assemble data on the extent of damages. If warranted, the Sheriff/Director of Emergency Management may recommend to the Legislative Authorities to make a Proclamation of Emergency in order to seek assistance from the Governor's office and the State. This proclamation is the first step to obtain a Presidential Declaration of Disaster (federal assistance), if appropriate.

Recovery and restoration activities for local and volunteers agencies will be coordinated through Emergency Management and/or through the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). If a joint state/federal Disaster Field Office (DFO) is established, the coordination of these activities will then come from the DFO.

SITUATION

A. Emergency/Disaster conditions and Hazards

Any major disasters as addressed in the HVA could create a need for recovery and restoration.

B. Planning Assumptions

1. An emergency or disaster has occurred
2. The situation has caused significant damage so as to requires recovery and restoration activities.
3. Our jurisdiction will need to support and act upon the recommendations of the state.

CONCEPTS OF OPERATIONS**A. General**

1. Emergency Management will:
 - a. Provide guidance to policy makers concerning issues of recovery and restoration.
 - b. Determine the economic and environmental impact to Kittitas County.
 - c. Determine the measures for losses necessary to continue recovery.
 - d. Assist in public information activities such as public announcements on recovery and restoration and instructions on applying for assistance programs.
 - e. Provide liaison between the County and State or Federal agencies dealing with recovery efforts.
2. Affected Agencies will:
 - a. Coordinate recovery and restoration efforts with Emergency Management.
 - b. Provide necessary staff to support local recovery and restoration efforts.
 - c. Provide damage and cost assessments, as appropriate.

B. Organization

In the event of a catastrophic disaster the EOC will direct recovery and restoration efforts. In the event of the inability of any of these to participate, recovery and restoration efforts will be accomplished by a majority of those positions that are available to serve.

C. Procedures

1. Recovery and restoration operations begin in the EOC or other incident coordination center. They are based on situation assessments developed as the situation progresses. Emergency Management is normally assigned this task of collecting initial damage assessments and making recommendations regarding the need for a Proclamation of Emergency to the local legislative authority.
2. Recovery and restoration task may include, but not limited to:
 - a. Formation of a damage assessment task force.
 - b. Priority of effort.
 - c. Support requirements.
 - d. Coordination requirements.
 - e. Reporting requirements.

D. Mitigation Activities

1. Primary Agency

All individuals and agency representatives involved in recovery and restoration activities will be alert for opportunities to lessen the effects of future emergencies or disasters. Suggestions will be forwarded to the Kittitas County Emergency Management.

The Sheriff/Director or Emergency Management, or designee will forward suggestion to the appropriate local or state agency.

2. Support Agencies

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E. Preparedness Activities

1. Primary Agency
 - a. Prepare recovery and restoration plan.

- b. Provide an EOC or other location to assist with the needed assessments and other logistical needs for recovery and restoration.
2. Support Agencies

Develop and maintain procedures for recovery from the effects of a disaster and to restore agency facilities and operations. An important part of this is a line of succession of departmental leadership.

F. Response Activities

1. Primary Agency
Begins documentation of disaster effects and other needed information for recovery and restoration.
2. Support Agencies
 - a. Responds as stated in departmental guidelines.
 - b. Documents disaster related events, including cost.
 - c. Coordinates with Emergency Management, as requested to ensure recovery and restoration efforts.

G. Recovery Activities

1. Primary Agency
 - a. Provides the EOC or other location for the coordination of recovery and restoration information.
 - b. Receives recovery and restoration information from all support agencies and reports the information to the legislative authorities.
 - c. Provides liaison with state and federal agencies when dealing with recovery and restoration efforts.
2. Support Agencies
Provides information and support resources at the request of Emergency Management.

RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Primary Agency - Emergency Management

Has the overall responsibility to coordinate the recovery and restoration task following an emergency or disaster.

B. Support Agencies

Support Emergency Management in the conduction of recovery and restoration activities.