KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION 13

** PUBLIC SAFETY, LAW ENFORCEMENT & SECURITY **

PRIMARY AGENCY: Kittitas County Sheriff’s Office
Cle Elum–South Cle Elum–Roslyn Police Departments
Ellensburg Police Department
Central Washington University Police Department
Kittitas Police Department

SUPPORT AGENCIES: Washington State Patrol, District 6
Area State and Federal Law Enforcement Agencies
Public Works/Street Departments
Yakima Army Training Center (EOD)

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Purpose
This support function provides for effective coordination of Kittitas County law enforcement operations during emergency or disaster situations.

B. Scope
This support function outlines the procedures for effective law enforcement response to a countywide emergency or disaster.

II. POLICIES

The Kittitas County Sheriff’s Office, Cle Elum-South Cle Elum-Roslyn Police Department, Kittitas Police Department, Ellensburg Police Department, Central Washington University Police Department, and support agencies will, within the limits of their resources and authority, coordinate with other local, state and federal law enforcement organization to support essential law enforcement operations.

III. SITUATION

A. Emergency/Disaster Conditions and Hazards
Any and all conditions identified in the Hazard Analysis can affect this ESF.

B. Planning Assumptions
Local resources will be exhausted prior to seeking assistance from neighboring counties or the state, either from the Washington State Patrol or National Guard.
IV. CONCEPTS OF OPERATIONS

A. General
1. During an emergency within the capabilities of local law enforcement organizations, regular law enforcement activities such as traffic control or other emergency police functions remain the responsibility of the jurisdiction concerned.

2. In an emergency beyond the capabilities of the local law enforcement agency, additional personnel will be provided locally through mutual assistance agreements.

3. The Washington State Patrol will advise or assist within the county, but may not supersede the authority of the Sheriff/Chief of Police.

4. All emergency traffic regulations particularly those involving roadblocks, re-routing, etc., will be closely coordinated with the head of the appropriate public works department i.e., Department of Transportation, County and City Road Supervisors or Engineers.

B. Organization
Law enforcement operations will be conducted by the agency responsible for the jurisdiction in which the event is located. In the event the situation is county-wide, then the Kittitas County Sheriff’s Office will coordinate law enforcement activities.

C. Procedures
Law enforcement response will be in accordance with their operational procedures and the County’s Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan.

D. Mitigation Activities
1. Primary Agency
   a. Community mobilization, crime prevention, and public education programs.
   b. Participation in regional criminal intelligence-sharing programs

2. Support Agencies
   None

E. Preparedness Activities
1. Primary Agency
   a. Develop and maintain operational guidance for the effective use of its resources.
   b. Ensure that all personnel within their jurisdiction including regulars, reserves or auxiliaries, are trained in emergency management procedures, particularly involving traffic control, evacuations, and search and rescue operations.
   c. Participate in local emergency response exercises and training.
d. Coordinate and maintains liaison with support agencies and state and federal law enforcement agencies.

2. Support Agencies
   a. Develop and maintain operational guidance for the effective use of their resources.
   b. Ensuring that all personnel within their jurisdiction including regulars, reserves or auxiliaries, are trained in emergency management procedures, particularly involving traffic control, evacuations, and search and rescue operations.
   c. Participates in local emergency response exercises and training.

F. Response Activities
1. Primary Agencies and Support Agencies
   a. Ensuring that warnings are disseminated, utilizing all available emergency communication capabilities.
   b. Conducting search and rescue operations within their respective political subdivisions.
   c. When needed, law enforcement personnel providing emergency personnel assistance will maintain their own autonomy, with their subsequent actions coordinated by the head of the requesting jurisdiction.
   d. Documentation of expenditures for disaster/emergency related obligations for reimbursement and auditing purposes.
   e. Designation of a staff member to specifically plan for and assist families of on-duty officers.
   f. Alerting staff by use of dispatch center paging capabilities and briefing them of the situation.
   g. Reviewing plans and standard operating procedures and assuring that all law enforcement personnel are informed of existing or revised procedures.
   h. Providing senior level representation at the Emergency Operations Center or mobile Command Post in multi-agency operations.
   i. Coordinating needs for augmentation of forces with Kittitas County Emergency Management.

G. Recovery Activities
Primary and Support Agencies follow the concepts in ESF-14 Long-Term Community Recovery & Mitigation.

V. RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Primary and Support Agencies
Provide for the law enforcement service as outlined in their departmental guidance documents.
VI. RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS

Resources requirements for this ESF are those that are needed to accomplish the task of Law Enforcement.