



Operations

Program Updates and Lessons Learned

Coordinators Brief

2010



Interoperability

- Statewide Tactical Interoperable Communications Plan
- Radio Caches
 - Deployments
 - training events
 - How To Request a Radio Cache
- IP based Interoperability
- Amateur Radio



Communications

Statewide Agencies Radio System (STARS)

- Build out Continues.
- Coverage testing
- New Uses



IFLOWS Update

- Maury River Basin Project: To enhance flood warning capabilities within the Basin.
 - Upgrade 20 existing IFLOWS sites.
 - Retrofit 1 existing USGS site.
 - Establish up to 4 new sites.
- Gathright Dam Project: To enhance flood observation and warning capabilities in the upper reaches of the James River. This will support increased monitoring of the Gathright dam.



Virginia Silver Jackets Program

- National effort to better address flood risk issues through enhanced collaboration and coordination
 - Established in August 2010
 - Provides support and technical expertise for flood reduction activities
 - Partners include:
 - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (all 5 offices)
 - 5 National Weather Service (NWS) Forecast Offices
 - 4 NWS River Forecast Centers
 - Natural Resources Conservation Service
 - U.S. Geological Survey
 - FEMA
 - Virginia Departments of Conservation & Recreation
- For more Information: <http://www.nfrmp.us/state/factVirginia.cfm>



Logistics

- Training
 - Statewide Mutual Aid (SMA)
 - Logistics Course
 - EMAC Deployment
- Contracts
 - EM Procurement Forum (June)
- FEMA Logistics Capability Assessment (LCAT)
 - Noted numerous strengths
 - Some Recommendations for continued Improvement



Operations Internships

- Began in May of 2009
- 8 Students have completed the program
- 7 working in related fields or graduate school
- 3 currently in program
- An "educational partnership"
- Provides hands on experience
- Focused skill based training opportunities
- A model program



Lessons Learned

- EOC Management Personnel
- Local SITREP revision (Due in November)
 - Primary Information Source for the State
 - Link to Local Shelter Board
 - Enter Shelters either place
 - Added
 - SITREP Number
 - Initial/Update/Final
 - PDF Print
- Minimize Duplicate Requests
- After Action Review



Training Opportunity

- VEOC 301 Course - December 9 2010
 - Request assistance exercise
 - interaction with:
 - Localities
 - Local Liaison
 - Mission Tracking
 - ESFs
 - Sign up in LMS