

Appendix A – State LSA Operations to Support Annex S-1, Logistics Management and Resource Support Operations

- I. Purpose.** This Appendix supports Support Annex S-1, Logistics Management and Resource Support Operations to the ESF #7 Annex to the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan (GEOP). This Appendix describes State Logistics Staging Area (LSA) operations and identifies major agency responsibilities.
- II. Scope.** This Appendix applies to all agencies that will execute or support LSA operations.
- III. Situation.** LSA operations will only be initiated if needed, following the Governor's State of Emergency declaration. The State ESF #5 (Emergency Management) will direct the establishment and initiation of State LSA operations.
- IV. Assumptions.**
 - A.** State LSA operations will be conducted 24/7 to provide needed resources until the situation is stabilized, utility services are restored and resources become available from local sources.
 - B.** The state will not be able to obtain logistics support (lodging, meals, restrooms) for the LSA staff from commercial sources until approximately 72-96 hours following the Governor's State of Emergency Declaration; therefore, such support during this period must be provided by state or volunteer agencies.
 - C.** Interstate mutual aid resources assisting Georgia will require crew rest, meals and fuel before deploying to the disaster area or departing for their home state.
 - D.** Affected counties will request Initial Response Resources (IRR) to be delivered prior to the completion of roadway re-entry operations. The primary means of transporting IRR from the State LSA to county PODs or other sites during this period will be by helicopter.
 - E.** FEMA will provide a 3-day supply of IRR to the State LSA prior to landfall of tropical storm force winds based on the State's request, if a Presidential Emergency or Disaster Declaration has been issued.
 - F.** FEMA IRR will be delivered to the State LSA aboard 53' enclosed cargo trailers. FEMA will use a commercial contractor for this service. The contractor will leave their loaded trailers and pick up empty trailers at the State LSA.
 - G.** FEMA will not provide ice as part of IRR unless the State specifically requests such for life saving or other medical purposes.

- H. Shipments of IRR or other supplies from the LSA to destinations within the disaster area may become lost, pilfered, hijacked or otherwise delayed or compromised, preventing the shipment from reaching its destination in the time and amount intended.
 - I. During a federal response to a disaster event in Georgia, the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) will not establish a generator staging area at the State LSA due to limited space, rather, they will stage at a federal military installation within Georgia for rapid response to any State request for assistance.
- V. **Mission.** When directed, ESF #7 will establish the LSA at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) and conduct IRR and Reception, Staging, Onward Movement and Integration (RSOI) operations in support of the State’s disaster response.
- A. **Execution.** Upon notification, designated agencies will deploy personnel, vehicles and equipment to the LSA location, organize and prepare to conduct operations within 48 hours.
- B. Concept of Operations.**
- 1. **General.** The State LSA is the facility where the state will receive IRR, such as water, food, ice, tarps and other items from FEMA and other sources, temporarily store and transport the IRR to designated county Points Of Distribution (POD) and other sites as needed. It is also the facility where interstate mutual aid resources will undergo the RSOI process as they enter and depart the State of Georgia in support of the emergency event. The LSA is a joint operation comprised of personnel, vehicle and equipment resources of multiple State agencies. State resources will be augmented with contract services and rental equipment as necessary. The LSA Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG) to this Appendix contains details regarding IRR and RSOI operations, including personnel and equipment requirements and sourcing.
 - 2. **Organization.** The LSA will function as a component of State ESF #7, Logistics Management and Resource Support, and will be organized as a Branch of the SOC Logistics Section. The LSA Branch Director will report to the SOC Logistics Chief or Deputy Chief. The LSA Branch will operate as a Unified Command led by the Georgia Forestry Commission (GFC), the GPSTC and the Georgia Department of Defense (GA DOD). The LSA Branch will be staffed with personnel from the GFC Type II Incident Management Team (IMT), GPSTC and other agencies.
 - 3. **Responsibilities.**
 - a. **All State Agencies, Departments, Commissions and Authorities.**
 - (1) As applicable, provide personnel, equipment, vehicles and other support for LSA operations in accordance with this Appendix and the LSA SOG.

(2) Be prepared to provide additional support for LSA operations as required.

b. SOC Operations Section, Air Operations Branch. Coordinate air transportation missions for IRR in support of LSA operations.

c. ESF #1.

(1) DOT.

(a) Coordinate and assemble a fleet of state-owned tractor-trailer rigs with enclosed cargo trailers, state-owned tractors (with no trailers) and truck drivers from state agencies in support of LSA operations. Coordinate augmentation of this fleet with additional assets from state agencies, including the GA DOD, if necessary. Coordinate contract transportation support with the SOC Logistics Section as necessary.

(b) Provide temporary, illuminated signs on I-75 in accordance with the LSA SOG.

(2) TCSG.

(a) Provide personnel and vehicles (tractor-trailer rigs) IAW the LSA SOG.

(b) Manage all state truck drivers and trucks supporting LSA operations in support of DOT (ESF #1) including driver scheduling and staging.

(c) Transport IRR from the LSA to county PODs and other sites IAW the LSA SOG.

(3) Board of Regents.

(a) Provide personnel and vehicles (buses) IAW the LSA SOG.

(b) Provide shuttle bus service IAW the LSA SOG.

(4) GFC.

(a) Provide personnel and trucks (tractors) to support LSA operations IAW the LSA SOG.

(b) Tow federal contractor or state cargo trailers in support of LSA operations in IAW the LSA SOG.

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- (c) Transport IRR from the LSA to county PODs and other sites in support of LSA operations IAW the LSA SOG.
- d. **ESF-2 (GEMA).** Coordinate communications support for LSA operations IAW the LSA SOG.
- e. **ESF 7.**
 - (1) **GFC.**
 - (a) Develop and maintain the LSA SOG in coordination with GEMA and GPSTC.
 - (b) Operate the LSA Branch as a Unified Command with the GPSTC and GA DOD. Provide a Type II IMT to form the core staff of the LSA Branch. Manage and operate the LSA IAW this Appendix and the LSA SOG. Modify LSA personnel, equipment and other support requirements, as detailed in the LSA SOG, during LSA operations in coordination with the SOC Logistics Chief and supporting State agencies.
 - (c) Coordinate the acquisition of equipment rental/leases and services to support LSA operations as described in the LSA SOG with the SOC Logistics Section Purchasing and Contracting Unit (PCU).
 - (d) Conduct IRR and RSOI operations IAW this Appendix and the LSA SOG.
 - (2) **GPSTC.**
 - (a) Provide the GPSTC campus and facilities to serve as the State LSA, if required, during a State of Emergency declared by the Governor IAW the LSA SOG.
 - (b) Operate the LSA Branch as a Unified Command with the GFC and GA DOD. Modify personnel, equipment and other support requirements as detailed in the LSA SOG during LSA operations in coordination with the LSA Branch Director and supporting State agencies.
 - (c) Provide support services IAW the LSA SOG.
 - (d) Prepare and maintain a temporary sign cache to facilitate LSA operations. Install signs as needed when activating the LSA.
 - (e) Open the Northwest campus gate during LSA operations to serve as

the primary entrance/exit point for tractor-trailer rigs.

(3) DOC.

- (a)** Provide personnel IAW the LSA SOG.
- (b)** Augment current cafeteria and custodial staff supporting GPSTC as necessary during LSA operations.
- (c)** Provide pallet repair support IAW the LSA SOG.

(4) DOAS.

- (a)** Provide a State Purchasing Card for use by the LSA Branch in support of LSA operations.
- (b)** Conduct purchasing and contracting activities to support the establishment and operation of the LSA.

f. ESF 8 (DCH).

- (1)** Provide personnel IAW the LSA SOG.
- (2)** Provide advanced first-aid and medical triage service for personnel at the LSA in coordination with the GPSTC Fire Chief and Monroe County Emergency Medical Service.
- (3)** Provide inoculations to mutual aid resource personnel during RSOI operations at the LSA as required.

g. ESF 11 (DOA). Ensure appropriate handling and quality of IRR food, water and ice in accordance with applicable laws, regulations and guidelines.

h. ESF 12 (DOA). Provide and operate a Temporary Re-fueling Point (TRP) for diesel, gasoline and propane fuel on the GPSTC campus in support of LSA operations. Re-fuel state vehicles and equipment, including rental equipment, used in support of LSA operations.

- (1)** Provide and operate a TRP for diesel and gasoline fuel along major supply routes to support LSA trucks and security escort vehicles. Specific location(s) will be determined based on the situation.

i. ESF 13 (DPS).

- (1)** Provide personnel, vehicles and equipment IAW the LSA SOG.

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- (2) Provide security for LSA operations including site security, traffic control and convoy escort IAW the LSA SOG and in coordination with local law enforcement authorities.
- (3) Assist the LSA Branch in tracking IRR and interstate mutual aid (EMAC) convoy movements using internal law enforcement communications IAW the LSA SOG.
- (4) Close the I-75 Southbound weigh station located just North of exit 188 and provide the facility for staging of federal contracted trucks delivering IRR to the LSA IAW the LSA SOG. Provide Motor Carrier Compliance Officers to manage this staging area.

j. GA DOD.

- (1) Provide personnel, vehicles, aircraft and equipment IAW the LSA SOG. Heavy lift helicopters should be equipped with roller kits to facilitate loading/unloading of palletized cargo.
- (2) Transport IRR by helicopter from the LSA to county PODs and other sites IAW the LSA SOG.
- (3) Provide aviation ground and communications support as required at the LSA.
- (4) Assist with traffic control on the GPSTC campus in support of LSA operations.
- (5) Provide, install and monitor up to 100 portable satellite navigation and tracking systems for use in the state fleet of tractor-trailer rigs supporting LSA operations.
- (6) Assist the LSA Branch and SOC Logistics Section Movement Control Unit in tracking IRR shipments using portable satellite tracking system.
- (7) Be prepared to (BPT) transport IRR via helicopter internal and sling loads.
- (8) BPT provide additional heavy lift helicopters as required.
- (9) BPT augment LSA IRR material handling and ground transportation operations as requested.

k. Monroe County.

- (1) Request the county provide the Monroe County Recreational Complex facility and staff in support of LSA operations, including the gym for

temporary lodging and the grounds for vehicle parking in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement between GEMA and the Monroe County Board of Commissioners.

- (2) Request the county provide a county liaison officer to the LSA Branch during each operational period for LSA operations.
- (3) Request the county provide law enforcement traffic control support for LSA operations at the I-75 Exit 188/Hwy 42/Collier Road interchange and from this interchange along Collier Road to the Northwest entrance to the GPSTC campus adjacent to the intersection of Collier and Smith Roads, in coordination with the Georgia DPS.

VI. Coordinating Instructions.

- A.** The GPSTC is located at 1000 Indian Springs Drive, Forsyth, GA 31029. The truck entrance for LSA operations is the Northwest gate, located at the intersection of Collier and Smith Roads at Latitude 33 degrees, 03 minutes, 35.59 seconds North, Longitude 83 degrees, 58 minutes, 48.85 seconds West. The main entrance is located at Latitude 33 degrees, 03 minutes, 34.84 seconds North, Longitude 83 degrees, 57 minutes, 41.60 seconds West.
- B.** The Monroe County Recreational Complex is located approximately one mile East of I-75, Exit 188, on state highway 42. The entrance is at Latitude 33 degrees, 03 minutes, 30.51 seconds North, Longitude 83 degrees, 57 minutes, 04.49 seconds West.
- C.** The LSA Branch Incident Action Plan (IAP), when published, will contain key LSA staff contact information. The LSA Branch IAP will be published and posted in E-Team in advance of each operational period of an emergency response in which the LSA is activated.
- D.** Refer to the LSA SOG for details concerning LSA operations and organization, including personnel and equipment requirements and sources.
- E.** State aviation operations, including those in support of LSA operations, will be coordinated by the Air Operations Branch of the SOC Operations Section.