

# Northampton County Emergency Operations Plan

## 2.4.3 Response

During the Response phase, Northampton County Emergency Management will do the following:

- Develop an Incident Action Plan (IAP).
- Continue activities from the Incident Recognition/Activation phase as relevant and needed.
- Attend all scheduled briefings.
- Direct and control emergency operations.
- Provide logistical support to on-site emergency response personnel.
- Coordinate daily with ESF representatives.
- Acquire facilities, equipment, and personnel throughout the regions to support activation.
- Request accurate and updated information from the towns.
- Establish and maintain liaison with the VA-EOC and adjacent jurisdictions.
- Provide daily situation reports to the VA-EOC.
- Facilitate the management of information flow between towns and local response agencies when needed and necessary.
- Prepare news releases.
- If needed, provide incident-specific public education/awareness campaigns and support outreach to communities.
- Upon receipt of state assets, ensure appropriate resource allocation and distribution.
- Alert additional personnel to be on standby status as needed.
- Brief the Board of Supervisors as appropriate.
- Review actions already taken and expedite those necessary to conduct in-the-field mitigation and preparedness activities.
- Delineate the specific areas that may need to be evacuated and designate evacuation routes.
- Make a list of potential evacuees, if feasible.
- Ensure the completion of checklist items in each functional annex.
- Provide an Initial Damage Assessment and forward it to the VA-EOC.
- Declare a local emergency if the situation warrants.
- Begin to keep records of all expenses incurred and continue to do so for the duration of the emergency.
- Monitor social networks for disaster-related situational awareness