

Northampton County Emergency Operations Plan

3.10 ESF #10 - Oil and Hazardous Materials Response

Primary Departments

Northampton County Fire Companies

Primary Support Agency

Eastern Shore Hazardous Materials Response Team

Support Departments

Northampton County Emergency Management

Northampton County Sheriff's Office

Northampton County EMS

Other Support Agencies

911 Communications Center

Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital

Virginia Department of Health - Eastern Shore Health District

USCG – Cape Charles

Virginia State Police

VDOT

Purpose

ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) coordinates all aspects of a release or potential release of hazardous materials into the community that might cause harm to humans, property, or the environment.

Scope

This annex identifies the key policies, concepts of operations, roles and responsibilities, and capabilities associated with ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) in Northampton County. Specific operating procedures and protocols are addressed in documents maintained by the participating departments/agencies.

Potential operations include the following:

- Notifying the community
- Evacuating and/or sheltering in place
- Mitigating a spill
- Cleaning up
- Abating
- Neutralizing
- Trans-loading (transferring products from one container to another)
- Plugging or containing a leak
- Minimizing a plume using hose streams
- Decontaminating victims
- Administering antidotes to expose victims
- Monitoring of the air
- Sampling
- Collecting evidence

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ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) Primary Departments	Roles/Tasks
Preparedness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct annual ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) exercises to test and validate the capability of the ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) annex. • Conduct impact evaluation of prior ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) efforts and other studies, as needed, to improve future operations. • Ensure NIMS concepts and principles are integrated into all planning efforts.
Response – Initial Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report to the EOC or make initial contact with the EOC via telephone within one hour of activation, or as directed. • Establish communication links with support agencies, including mutual aid hazardous materials support partners and response organizations.
Response – Continuing Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain close coordination with town EOCs and support agencies. • Coordinate public information through ESF #15 (External Affairs). • Coordinate with appropriate state and/or federal agencies. • Maintain a complete log of actions taken, resource orders, records, and reports.
Recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support long-term recovery efforts. • Aid in the restoration of facilities and/or the environment. • Aid in the supervision of a clean-up contractor who may be called in during the recovery efforts. • Participate in post-incident analysis. • Product documents to perform cost recovery procedures. • Document and replace needed equipment. • Capture expenditures in order to submit to the responsible party for reimbursement.

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ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) Support Departments	Roles/Tasks
Northampton County Sheriff's Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist with evacuation and traffic control.
Northampton County Emergency Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop MAAs with other governmental agencies and private-sector organizations to assist during a hazardous materials response that threatens people, property, or the environment. Conduct annual ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) exercises to test and validate the capability of the ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) annex. Conduct an impact evaluation of prior ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) efforts and other studies, as needed, to improve future operations. Ensure that NIMS concepts and principles are integrated into all planning efforts. Coordinate resource needs, and determine and resolve, as necessary, issues regarding resource shortages and resource ordering issues.
Northampton County EMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide support to first responders in the field. Maintain a resource inventory list of all medical and nonmedical supplies in the County. Plan for and identify locations that can possibly be used as alternate care sites. Work with healthcare facilities to develop protocols for patient discharge, evacuation, and relocation.
ESF #10 (Oil and Hazardous Materials Response) Other Support Agencies	Roles/Tasks
Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive patients at the emergency room (ER). Decontaminate any patient who might report directly to the ER without field decontamination.
Virginia State Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist with evacuation and traffic control.
Virginia Department of Health - Eastern Shore Health District	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue health advisories. Inspect shelters. Identify medical personnel who can be deployed to disaster areas. Coordinate the deployment of medical personnel.
USCG – Cape Charles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide SME. Assist with any hazardous materials releases that occur in waterways.
VDOT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist with heavy equipment to stop spill or assist with evacuations and traffic control, as required.
911 Communications Center	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dispatch County resources to assist in an incident. Coordinate with County EOC to locate and request additional resources as incident dictates. Help with communication coordination between agencies operating at an incident.