

Northampton County Emergency Operations Plan

3.16 ESF #16 - Military Support

Primary Department

Northampton County Emergency Management

Support Department

None

Other Support Agencies

Virginia National Guard
Virginia Defense Force
USCG - Cape Charles

Purpose

The purpose of ESF #16 (Military Support) is to address the coordination of military resources once activated during or after a major or catastrophic disaster. ESF #16 (Military Support) can provide personnel and resources to support preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation in support of the primary emergency management objectives. ESF #16 (Military Support) resources are used when individual agencies are overwhelmed.

Scope

This annex identifies the key policies, concepts of operations, roles and responsibilities, and capabilities associated with ESF #16 (Military Support) in Northampton County. Specific operating procedures and protocols are addressed in documents maintained by the participating organizations.

Potential operations include the following:

- Maintaining situational awareness regarding the status of military agencies
- Coordinating with military agencies regarding the County's needs
- Providing guidance to military resources in the County

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| ESF #16 (Military Support) Primary Department | Roles/Tasks |
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| Preparedness | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with VDEM to ensure an accurate and consistent understanding of the role of the Virginia National Guard to support operations in Northampton County. • Attend meetings and provide locally relevant information as needed and necessary for the development of a common operating picture for ESF #16 (Military Support) liaisons. • VDEM will maintain current information on organization and capabilities of the Virginia National Guard and the Virginia Defense Force. • Develop and/or participate in relevant ESF-related planning, training, and exercise activities at the local, regional, state, and/or federal level. |
| 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. • Provide support teams to Operations, Planning, Logistics, and Finance sections. • Coordinate the logistical integration of the U.S. Department of Defense and other states' National Guard forces through EMAC. |
| Response – Continuing Actions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue actions as listed above in Response – Initial Actions |
| Recovery | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist with the restoration of essential facilities and services. • Assist with the re-entry of displaced persons returning to their homes. • Ensure that federal disaster assistance programs are implemented. • Assist with the rebuilding or demolition of severely damaged structures. • Assist with the repairs of the damaged parts of the transportation, water, and communications infrastructure. The duration of this period may extend for two years or more, depending upon the severity of the disaster. • Recover radios, phones, and other equipment that was signed out. • Review and close out the journals and logs. • Prepare an After- Action Report and submit it to the EOC Operations Chief. • Review lessons learned. • Modify plans and procedures, as needed. |
| ESF #16 (Military Support) Other Support Agencies | Roles/Tasks |
| Virginia National Guard | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist with the restoration of essential facilities and services. • Assist with the re-entry of displaced persons returning to their homes. • Assist with various operations, as necessary. |
| USCG - Cape Charles | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist with various operations, as necessary. |