# EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION 1 TRANSPORTATION

# **Primary Agency**

**Chatham County Fleet Operations** 

# **Support Agencies**

Board of Education

Chatham Area Transit

Chatham County Engineering Dept.

Chatham Emergency Management Agency

Chatham Mosquito Control

First Student Inc.

Georgia Department of Transportation

Southside Fire & EMS

#### I. INTRODUCTION

The emergency support function of transportation services involves direction and coordination, operations, and follow-through during an emergency or disaster.

# A. Purpose

- To support and assist municipal, county, private sector, and voluntary organizations requiring transportation for an actual or potential disaster or emergency.
- 2. To assist city and county agencies and other ESFs with the emergency efforts to transport people. The priorities for allocation of these assets will be:
  - a. Evacuating persons from immediate peril.
  - b. Transporting personnel for the support of emergency activities.
  - c. Transporting relief personnel necessary for recovery from the emergency.

#### B. Scope

The emergency operations necessary for the performance of this function include but are not limited to:

## 1. Preparedness

a. Maintain current inventories of local government transportation facilities, supplies, and equipment by mode.

- b. Maintain current resource directories of all commercial and industrial transportation assets, facilities, and supplies within the County, to include maintaining points of contact, their geographic locations, territories, and operating areas.
- c. Establish and maintain liaison with the state and adjacent county transportation officials.
- d. Plan for supporting all types of evacuation(s) to include lock down of draw bridges, suspension of highway construction and maintenance, lane reversal on evacuation routes, and state traffic management plans and operations.
- e. Estimate logistical requirements (e.g., personnel, supplies and equipment, facilities, and communications) during the planning process and through exercises. Develop appropriate transportation packages to support likely scenarios.
- f. Participate in exercises and training to validate this annex and supporting SOPs.
- g. Ensure all ESF 1 personnel integrate NIMS principles in all planning.

## 2. Response

- a. Identify transportation needs required to respond to the emergency.
- b. Coordinate with GEMA for use of state transportation assets.
- c. Identify, obtain, prioritize and allocate available transportation resources.
- d. Report the locations of damage to transportation infrastructure, degree of damage, and other available information to ESF 5.
- e. Assist local governments in determining the most viable, available transportation networks to, from, and within the disaster area, and regulate the use of such networks as appropriate.
- f. Coordinate emergency information for public release through ESF 15.
- g. Plan for transportation support of mobilization sites, staging areas, and distribution points.

#### 3. Recovery

- a. Continue to render transportation support when and where required as long as emergency conditions exist.
- b. Coordinate the repair and restoration of transportation infrastructure with the assistance of ESF 3.
- c. Evaluate and task the transportation support requests for impacted areas.
- d. Anticipate, plan for, and ready the necessary notification systems to support damage assessment teams, establishment of staging areas, distribution sites, and other local, state, and federal recovery facilities in the impacted area.
- e. Anticipate, plan for, and ready the necessary notification systems to support the deployment of mutual aid teams, and work teams and activities in the impacted area.
- f. Ensure that ESF 1 team members or their agencies maintain

appropriate records of costs incurred during the event.

## 4. Mitigation

- a. Support and plan for mitigation measures.
- b. Support requests and directives resulting from the County Commission concerning mitigation and/or redevelopment activities.
- c. Document matters that may be needed for inclusion in briefings, situation reports and action plans.

#### **II. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS**

## A. Strategy

Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) will be developed and maintained by the agency or organization that has primary responsibility for this ESF, in cooperation with the EMA. This function will be coordinated with and involve other support agencies and organizations.

The emergency transportation function is the primary responsibility of Chatham County Fleet Operations and support for this function is the responsibility of Board of Education, Chatham Area Transit, Chatham County Engineering Dept., Chatham Emergency Management Agency, Chatham Mosquito Control, First Student Inc., Georgia Department of Transportation and Southside Fire & EMS.

#### B. Actions

## 1. Mitigation/Preparedness

- a. Plan and coordinate with support agencies and organizations.
- b. Maintain a current inventory of transportation resources.
- c. Establish policies, procedures, plans, and programs to effectively address transportation needs.
- d. Recruit, designate, and maintain a list of emergency personnel.
- e. Participate in drills and exercises to evaluate transportation capabilities.

## 2. Response/Recovery

- a. Staff the EOC when notified by the EMA director.
- b. Establish and maintain a working relationship with support agencies, transportation industries, and private transportation providers.
- c. Provide transportation resources, equipment, and vehicles, upon request.
- d. Channel transportation information for public release, through the EOC and continue providing information and support upon re-entry.
- e. Maintain records of expenditures and document resources utilized

#### III. RESPONSIBILITIES

## A. Chatham County Fleet Operations

- 1. Coordinate with the support agencies in directing transportation resources and prioritizing the needs for transportation services.
- 2. Immediately following an Incident of Critical Significance, assess the overall status of the transportation system within the county and begin determination of potential needs and resources.
- 3. ESF 7 (Resource Support) will supply information pertaining to potential volunteer groups, contract vendors, and other entities that may be able to supplement available resources.
- 4. Serve as the Primary Agency for ESF-1
- 5. Coordinate quarterly ESF meetings to ensure planning functions are carried out to support this ESF
- 6. Coordinate ESF-1 resources County-wide
- 7. Provide EOC Ground Support Unit Leader when activated
- 8. Provide additional resources as available to support ESF-1 response and recovery efforts
- 9. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
- 10. Participate in drills, exercises, and other preparedness events to measure the Agency's readiness to support this ESF.
- 11. Coordinate with other ESF Agencies through regularly scheduled ESF meetings to ensure planning functions are carried out to support this ESF.
- 13. Identify Agency staff representatives supporting this ESF and other operational practices during emergency and disaster operations.
- 14. Prepare to support the Emergency Operations Center as necessary.
- 15. Ensure Agency Staff maintain NIMS compliance and report compliance measurements annually when requested.

- 16. Annually evaluate Critical Workforce Staffing needs and report sheltering and equipment staging locations when requested.
- 17. Document disaster related activities related to this ESF.
- 18. Conduct recovery and restoration task in coordination with the County EOC/RCC and federal assistance program guidelines
- 19. Coordinate pertinent disaster recovery information with the County's Joint Information Center (JIC).
- 20. Identify damages and losses and prepare an action plan for recovery activities.
- 21. Prepare to collect and maintain records of expenditures and document resources utilized during response and recovery operations.

#### B. Board of Education

- 1. Chatham County Board of Education & Laidlaw: School buses, resources, personnel, equipment, vehicles and fuel will be made available as needed to assist in fulfilling transportation needs.
- 2. ESF #8: a) Advanced Life Support transport for those in need of medical transportation. b) Basic Life Support transport for those in need of minimal medical care or who are non-ambulatory. c) EMS Auxiliary resources will also be made available to assist with transportation needs identified by CAT.
- 3. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-1 Primary, CEMA, and other agencies as needed to assess the overall status of the transportation systems and infrastructure within the County and determine needed resources
- 4. Provide staffing for a Transportation Coordinator (ESF-1 Single Resource) in the EOC when activated

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- 6. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
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- 10. Identify Agency staff representatives supporting this ESF and other operational practices during emergency and disaster operations.
- 11. Prepare to support the Emergency Operations Center as necessary.
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## C. Chatham Area Transit

- Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-1 Primary, CEMA, and other agencies as needed to assess the overall status of the transportation systems and infrastructure within the County and determine needed resources
- 2. Provide staffing for a Transportation Coordinator (ESF-1 Single Resource) in the EOC when activated
- 3. Provide resources as available to support ESF-1 response and recovery efforts
- 4. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
- 5. Participate in drills, exercises, and other preparedness events to measure the Agency's readiness to support this ESF.
- 6. Coordinate with other ESF Agencies through regularly scheduled ESF meetings to ensure planning functions are carried out to support this ESF.
- 7. Ensure the presence of resources (human and physical) is in sufficient numbers to support the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
- 8. Identify Agency staff representatives supporting this ESF and other operational practices during emergency and disaster operations.
- 9. Prepare to support the Emergency Operations Center as necessary.
- 10. Ensure Agency Staff maintain NIMS compliance and report compliance measurements annually when requested.
- 11. Annually evaluate Critical Workforce Staffing needs and report sheltering and equipment staging locations when requested.
- 12. Document disaster related activities related to this ESF.
- 13. Conduct recovery and restoration task in coordination with the County EOC/RCC and federal assistance program guidelines

- 14. Coordinate pertinent disaster recovery information with the County's Joint Information Center (JIC).
- 15. Identify damages and losses and prepare an action plan for recovery activities.
- Prepare to collect and maintain records of expenditures and document resources utilized during response and recovery operations.

# D. Chatham County Engineering Dept.

- Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-1
  Primary, CEMA, and other agencies as needed to assess the overall
  status of the transportation systems and infrastructure within the County
  and determine needed resources.
- 2. Provide staffing for the Re-entry Branch Director in the EOC when activated.
- 3. Provide resources as available to support response and recovery efforts.
- 4. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
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- 8. Identify Agency staff representatives supporting this ESF and other operational practices during emergency and disaster operations.
- 9. Prepare to support the Emergency Operations Center as necessary.
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# E. Chatham Emergency Management Agency

- 1. Provide the ESF-1 Primary with the guidance and support required to accomplish assigned tasks
- 2. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-1 Primary and other agencies as needed to assess the overall status of the transportation systems and infrastructure within the County to determine needed resources
- 3. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
- 4. Participate in drills, exercises, and other preparedness events to measure the Agency's readiness to support this ESF.
- 5. Coordinate with other ESF Agencies through regularly scheduled ESF meetings to ensure planning functions are carried out to support this ESF.
- 6. Ensure the presence of resources (human and physical) is in sufficient numbers to support the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
- 7. Identify Agency staff representatives supporting this ESF and other operational practices during emergency and disaster operations.
- 8. Prepare to support the Emergency Operations Center as necessary.
- 9. Ensure Agency Staff maintain NIMS compliance and report compliance measurements annually when requested.
- Annually evaluate Critical Workforce Staffing needs and report sheltering and equipment staging locations when requested.
- 11. Document disaster related activities related to this ESF.
- 12. Conduct recovery and restoration task in coordination with the County EOC/RCC and federal assistance program guidelines
- 13. Coordinate pertinent disaster recovery information with the County's Joint Information Center (JIC).
- 14. Identify damages and losses and prepare an action plan for recovery activities.
- 15. Prepare to collect and maintain records of expenditures and document resources utilized during response and recovery operations.

## F. Chatham Mosquito Control

- 1. Coordinate all local requests for air support (fixed and rotary wing)
- 2. Provide staffing for Air Support Operations Center (ASOC) when activated
- 3. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
- 4. Participate in drills, exercises, and other preparedness events to measure

- the Agency's readiness to support this ESF.
- 5. Coordinate with other ESF Agencies through regularly scheduled ESF meetings to ensure planning functions are carried out to support this ESF.
- 6. Ensure the presence of resources (human and physical) is in sufficient numbers to support the Agenc's responsibilities to this ESF.
- 7. Identify Agency staff representatives supporting this ESF and other operational practices during emergency and disaster operations.
- 8. Prepare to support the Emergency Operations Center as necessary.
- 9. Ensure Agency Staff maintain NIMS compliance and report compliance measurements annually when requested.
- Annually evaluate Critical Workforce Staffing needs and report sheltering and equipment staging locations when requested.
- 11. Document disaster related activities related to this ESF.
- 12. Conduct recovery and restoration task in coordination with the County EOC/RCC and federal assistance program guidelines
- 13. Coordinate pertinent disaster recovery information with the County's Joint Information Center (JIC).
- 14. Identify damages and losses and prepare an action plan for recovery activities.
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#### G. First Student Inc.

- Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-1
  Primary, CEMA, and other agencies as needed to assess the overall
  status of the transportation systems and infrastructure within the County
  and determine needed resources
- 2. Provide staffing for a Transportation Coordinator (ESF-1 Single Resource) in the EOC when activated
- 3. Provide resources as available to support ESF-1 response and recovery efforts
- 4. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
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- 8. Identify Agency staff representatives supporting this ESF and other operational practices during emergency and disaster operations.
- 9. Prepare to support the Emergency Operations Center as necessary.
- 10. Ensure Agency Staff maintain NIMS compliance and report compliance

- measurements annually when requested.
- 11. Annually evaluate Critical Workforce Staffing needs and report sheltering and equipment staging locations when requested.
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## H. Georgia Department of Transportation

- Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-1
  Primary, CEMA, and other agencies as needed to provide information
  obtained by State resources assessing the overall status of the
  transportation systems and infrastructure within the County
- 2. Provide staffing for a USACE liaison (Logistics Single Resource) in the EOC when activated
- 3. Coordinate roadway and railway drawbridge lockdown when requested
- 4. Provide resources as available to support ESF-1 response and recovery requests
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- 17. Prepare to collect and maintain records of expenditures and document resources utilized during response and recovery operations.

## I. Southside Fire & EMS

- Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-1
  Primary, CEMA, and other agencies as needed to assess the overall
  status of the transportation systems and infrastructure within the County
  and determine needed resources
- 2. Provide staffing for EMS Coordinator (Operations Single Resource) in the EOC when activated
- Provide resources as available to support ESF-1 response and recovery efforts
- 4. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
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- 9. Prepare to support the Emergency Operations Center as necessary.
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# IV. COUNTY-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

No County-specific information provided.