

Regional Catastrophic Planning Team (NY-NJ-CT-PA)



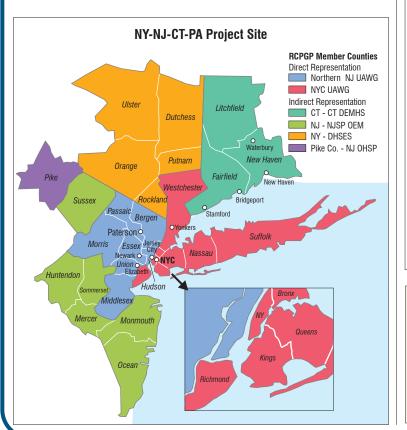
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Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP) Overview: Using the Regional Catastrophic Plans

Program Overview

- The Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP) is a DHS/FEMA grant-funded program focused on catastrophic incident preparedness in 10 high risk urban areas
- The Regional Catastrophic Planning Team (RCPT) is the steering committee that provides oversight and direction in the development of plans, projects and supporting tools
- The RCPT includes emergency managers and homeland security officials from NY. NJ. CT and PA
- The Regional Integration Center (RIC) is the operational arm of the RCPT and is staffed by full-time technical planners and emergency managers
- The RIC is the "planning cell" that scoped, initiated and executed the development of the Regional Catastrophic Plans

Objective: To provide emergency managers with coordination and information tools to enable an effective regional response. An effective regional response means all stakeholders working together in a single organizational structure coordinating resources, managing the enormous response and information burden generated by a catastrophic incident, and identifying and solving urgent problems.



Regional Catastrophic Plans are comprised of three sections:

Regional Playbook

- Intended for executives and emergency managers
- Provides tools for information and resource sharing across the region
- Intended primarily for use during an incident

• Local/State Plan

- Intended for Incident Command, Operations Leads, EOC leads and EOC personnel
- Provides tools to enable state/local emergency managers to manage the consequences of an incident
- Intended primarily for use during an incident

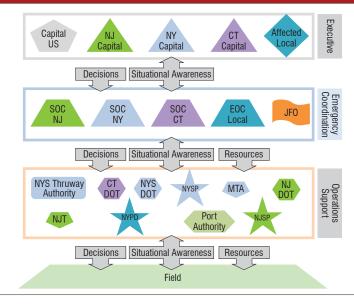
• Federal Integration Plan:

- Intended for federal, state and local emergency managers and federal agency leads
- Provides a picture of the federal response posture
- Intended primarily for use before an incident

Regional Playbook

Emergency Managers use the Regional Emergency Conference Call (RECC) to coordinate timing and decision-making, allocate scarce resources, and provide regional situational awareness during a catastrophic response.

Regional Emergency Conference Call (RECC) Concept



Coordination Concepts

- Unity of Effort: All assets integrate into incident command structure
- Shared Situational Awareness: Federal, state, and locals produce one situation report
- Unity of Command: Federal, state, and local leadership determine shared set of incident support objectives

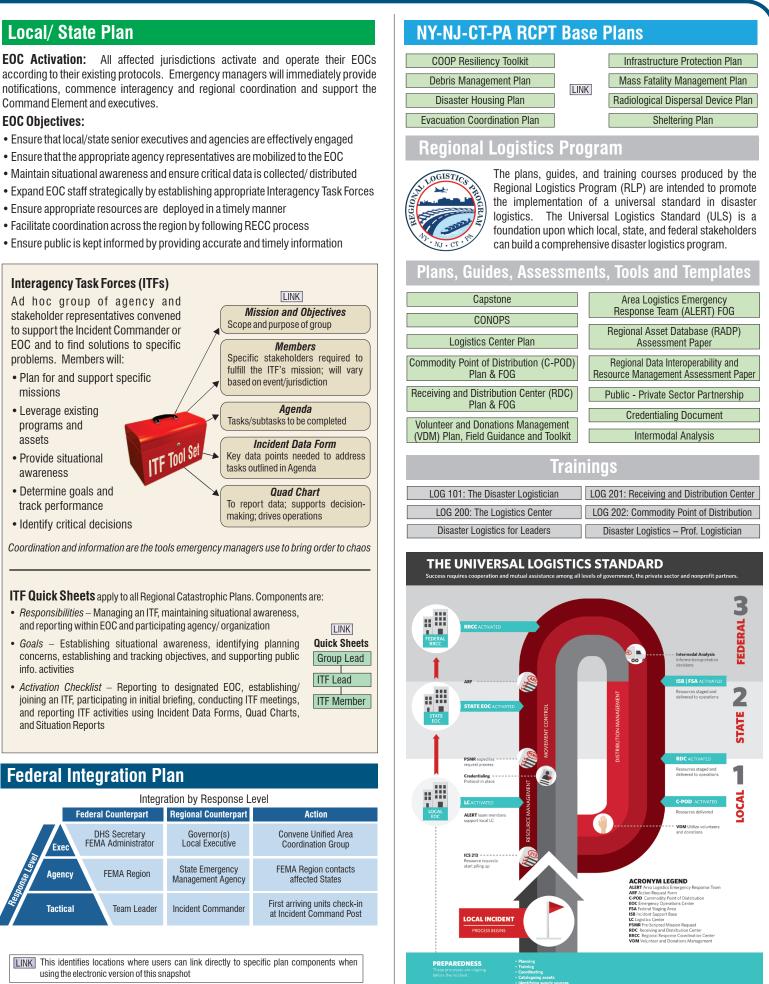
Local/ State Plan

EOC Activation: All affected jurisdictions activate and operate their EOCs according to their existing protocols. Emergency managers will immediately provide notifications, commence interagency and regional coordination and support the Command Element and executives.

EOC Objectives:

- Ensure that local/state senior executives and agencies are effectively engaged
- Ensure that the appropriate agency representatives are mobilized to the EOC
- · Maintain situational awareness and ensure critical data is collected/ distributed

- · Facilitate coordination across the region by following RECC process
- Ensure public is kept informed by providing accurate and timely information



Coordination and information are the tools emergency managers use to bring order to chaos

ITF Quick Sheets apply to all Regional Catastrophic Plans. Components are:

- Responsibilities Managing an ITF, maintaining situational awareness,
- Goals Establishing situational awareness, identifying planning
- Activation Checklist Reporting to designated EOC, establishing/

Federal Integration Plan

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Call Forms

Cover Sheet

Agendas

Attendance Checklist

Incident Situation Report

Sidebar Discussion Sheet

Integration by Response Level			
	Federal Counterpart	Regional Counterpart	Action
Exec	DHS Secretary FEMA Administrator	Governor(s) Local Executive	Convene Unified Area Coordination Group
Agency	FEMA Region	State Emergency Management Agency	FEMA Region contacts affected States
Tactical	Team Leader	Incident Commander	First arriving units check-in at Incident Command Post
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