



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia may be subjected to emergencies and disasters of various kinds and of different magnitudes; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia will continue to be prepared to respond during emergencies and disaster to protect public peace, health and safety and to preserve lives and property of people; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia will plan and prepare in order to implement effective emergency operations and to mitigate the effects of emergencies and disasters; and
- WHEREAS:** Such planning and operations should be a coordinated effort of all State boards, Departments, Agencies, Associations, Institutions and Authorities; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia will coordinate all Emergency Support Functions of state agencies through the Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia, through GEMA/Homeland Security, will coordinate emergency mitigation, preparedness, prevention, response and recovery activities in a manner consistent with the National Response Framework, the plans and processes of other states, local jurisdictions, private sector agencies and volunteer disaster relief organizations in accordance with the principles of the National Incident Management System.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

- ORDERED:** That on behalf of the Governor, The Director of GEMA /Homeland Security shall be authorized to exercise overall direction and coordination of emergency and disaster planning and operations, as stated in the Georgia Emergency Management Act of 1981, as amended.

IT IS FURTHER

- ORDERED:** That the Director of GEMA / Homeland Security shall be authorized to activate and deactivate the State Operations Center that may be opened in support of all state agencies in an emergency or disaster.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan shall be binding on all state agencies providing Emergency Support Functions and shall serve as the basis to assist all local governments and citizens in times of emergencies or disasters.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the coordinating, primary and support function responsibilities for emergency management services and resources are as follows:

Emergency Support Function 1 –Transportation

Coordinator: Georgia Department of Transportation
Primary: Georgia Department of Transportation
Georgia Department of Public Safety
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 2 –Communications

Coordinator: Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security
Primary: Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 3 –Public Works and Engineering

Coordinator: Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Primary: Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Georgia Department of Transportation
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 4 –Firefighting

Coordinator: Georgia Forestry Commission
Primary: Georgia Forestry Commission
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 5 –Emergency Management

Coordinator: Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security
Primary: Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 6 – Mass Care, Emergency Assistance, Housing and Human Services

Coordinator: Georgia Department of Human Services
Primary: Georgia Department of Human Services
Georgia Department of Community Affairs

Support Agencies: American Red Cross
As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex
of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 7 – Logistics Management and Resources

Coordinator: Georgia Emergency Management
Agency/Homeland Security
Primary: Georgia Department of Administrative Services
Georgia Emergency Management
Agency/Homeland Security
Georgia Forestry Commission
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex
of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 8 – Public Health and Medical Services

Coordinator: Georgia Department of Public Health
Primary: Georgia Department of Public Health
Georgia Department of Community Health
Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and
Developmental Disabilities
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex
of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 9 – Search and Rescue

Coordinator: Georgia Emergency Management
Agency/Homeland Security
Primary: Georgia Emergency Management
Agency/Homeland Security
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex
of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 10 – Hazardous Materials

Coordinator: Environmental Protection Division, Georgia
Department of Natural Resources
Primary: Environmental Protection Division, Georgia
Department of Natural Resources
Georgia Emergency Management
Agency/Homeland Security
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex
of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 11 – Agriculture and Natural Resources

Coordinator: Georgia Department of Agriculture
Primary: Georgia Department of Agriculture
Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex
of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 12 – Energy

Coordinator: Georgia Environmental Finance Authority
Primary: Georgia Department of Agriculture
Georgia Environmental Finance Authority
Georgia Public Service Commission
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex
of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 13 – Public Safety and Security

Coordinator: Georgia Department of Public Safety
Primary: Georgia Department of Public Safety
Georgia Bureau of Investigation
Governor’s Office of Consumer Affairs
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex
of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 14 – Long Term Recovery

Coordinator: Georgia Emergency Management
Agency/Homeland Security
Primary: Georgia Emergency Management
Agency/Homeland Security
Georgia Department of Community Affairs
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex
of the GEOP, 2012

Emergency Support Function 15 – External Affairs

Coordinator: Georgia Emergency Management
Agency/Homeland Security
Primary: Office of the Governor
Georgia Emergency Management
Agency/Homeland Security
Support Agencies: As listed in the Emergency Support Function Annex
of the GEOP, 2012

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That each state agency shall appoint an Emergency Coordinator and Alternate to serve in time of an emergency or disaster and as a planning liaison to the Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That state agencies assigned Emergency Support Function coordination responsibilities shall provide assistance in preparation and revision of such functions, collaborate with primary and support agencies and maintain accompanying Standard Operating Guides.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That each state agency with primary and or support responsibilities shall assign personnel to serve in the State Operations Center (SOC) and or other state command

and control facilities as necessary, maintain a twenty-four hour response capability, conduct and participate in training and exercises, prepare updates to the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan as necessary and maintain reporting systems as required by state and federal laws and regulations.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: Each state agency with primary and or support responsibilities shall participate in all after action discussions following activations of the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan to identify and complete necessary improvement actions.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That all other State Boards, Departments, Agencies, Associations, Institutions and Authorities not assigned a primary or support role in this plan will carry out whatever duties or services that may be required during an emergency or disaster as specified or directed by the Governor or the Director of the Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That when the Governor declares a State of Emergency, the Department of Public Safety, with assistance from other law enforcement agencies, including the Georgia Department of Defense, shall at the direction of the Governor be authorized to enforce criminal laws and assist with evacuations in the State if required.

IT IS FURTHER


ORDERED: That any Executive Order in conflict with this document is hereby rescinded.

This 14 day of January, 2013.



GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


Chief of Staff