

Regional Search and Rescue Coordinator

Position Responsibility: Act as an FASAR liaison to the Regional SERP Coordinator during emergency assistance operations at the regional level. Contact, communicate, and coordinate with non – public safety search and rescue volunteer providers and those directly under the immediate authority of the local fire departments within the region in accordance with the FFCA Statewide Emergency Response Plan (SERP). The Search and Rescue function is the responsibility of ESF 9 Search and Rescue. The SERP is used as the method to mobilize and deploy search and rescue resources. The Regional Search and Rescue Coordinator will provide the link between the ESF 4 Regional Coordinators and the search and rescue resources especially those that may not be associated with local fire departments.

Actions:

Annually appointed by the FASAR voting process.

Shall be responsible for tracking all available search and rescue resources within the region. Search and rescue resources include;

- Urban search and rescue teams
- Technical rescue teams
- Swift water/floodwater response teams
- Dive rescue and recovery teams
- Equestrian search teams
- Wilderness search teams and units including man trackers
- Canine search and rescue teams

The FASAR regional Liaison will ensure that qualified search and rescue providers have submitted the appropriate documentation (SERC form 2) to the state (via the FASAR liaison to the FFCA Emergency Response Committee (ERC)).

Will coordinate with and if needed be assigned as a member of the Regional Management Team.

Shall be familiar with the States standardized forms for ordering resources into the affected areas.

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Must comply with FASAR deployment requirements as defined by the FASAR typing document.

The following training is also recommended;

- Incident Management System – I200, I300
- State Fire Rescue Plan Training

Position Training and certification
Integrated Emergency Management System

Shall identify at least one alternate for the region.

Serves as a member of the State Disaster Planning Committee

Interacts with various county emergency operation centers in the region.

Is familiar with and meets at least 2 times per year with the county disaster coordinator(s).

Assists ESF 4 Regional Coordinator with identifying mobilization staging areas for disaster assistance. Updates this information as needed.

Coordinates ESF 9 mutual aid assistance into the disaster area.

Monitors incident operations to identify and resolve search and rescue related intra-organizational coordination problems.

Predetermines equipment, personnel, etc. that are available for response from within the region.

Communicates with the state fire and rescue disaster coordinator.

Responsible for training of staff, functional leaders, and alternates.

Maintains access to inventories of equipment, personnel, etc. in the region.

Utilizes Incident Management System as the management structure and establishes the components of it as needed in support of the region's activities.

Prepares two task forces available for rapid mobilization within 3 hours of a request.

May serve as a liaison between Unified Command agencies within their region during activation.