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Subject: EMA March Monthly Report

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March

Summary

The monthly IEMA and local emergency radio and siren tests were conducted. Our EMA volunteers also conducted their monthly radio test. The planning continued for the April 2013 full scale exercise with the National Guard to include the Final Planning Conferences. The EMA liaison group met this month for upcoming events and for community awareness. EMA is still continuing to meet with Champaign Fire, Red Cross, and CUPHD about volunteer management. The Search and Rescue Core Group met to discuss upcoming training and monthly meetings for the Search and Rescue team to include land navigation classroom and field training, equipment and procedures. EMA will be hosting the operations center for the Illinois Marathon in April. EMA hosted the monthly Public Information Officers (PIO) meeting to discuss upcoming events and media events. EMA notified the National Weather Service on a community event, the Urbana Sweet Corn Festival, for severe weather updates if needed. EMA was active during the snowstorm for March 25. EMA is now on twitter for community updates.

Training Events

- Anhydrous Ammonia MOC Tanker Training at ILEAS for first responders—March 2—25 participants
- IEMA Regional Workshop -3/14/13
- County Search and Rescue Team meeting-3/11/13
- EMA storm spotters meeting—3/16/13
- Final Planning Conferences were held with local agencies and the National Guard for the 2013 Prairie North exercise-3/6/13, 3/28/13
- IEMA Regional Meeting and Damage Assessment Review

Community Outreach

- National Weather Service Storm Spotter Training—March 21, 2013 at the University of Illinois Digital Computer Lab, 1304 West Springfield Ave., Urbana at 6:30 pm—85 participants

Volunteer hours

March: 10 hours of volunteer member's time—for twitter, Facebook, SAR preparations.
30 volunteers attended search and Rescue team meeting (1 ½ hour)

Upcoming Events of Note

- Prairie North Exercise—April 11-13, Rantoul, Carle and Presence Hospitals (over 15 local and state agencies participating)
- Search and Rescue Team meeting—Compass/Map orientation—April 18