34.07.01.C0.01 Emergency Operations



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Revised History

Procedure Summary

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC) maintains an Emergency Operations Plan (see Appendix) to properly protect university personnel and property in an emergency. This plan that includes hurricane/tropical storm defense.

Procedure

- 1. The Emergency Operations Plan's general objectives are to:
 - (a) Protect and preserve human life and health
 - (b) Minimize loss or damage to the university's facilities and resources
 - (c) Ensure appropriate communications and notifications within the university, the community, and beyond
 - (d) Elicit a response which is appropriate to the magnitude of the emergency
 - (e) Establish a core team of well-trained individuals capable of committing resources
 - (f) Maintain an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and provide guidance for operating an emergency command post site
 - (g) Describe EOC operations to include staffing and responsibilities
 - (h) Keep the public informed of the current status of emergency operations in a timely manner
 - (i) Emphasize the practice of safety concepts during emergencies, recovery, and restoration

- 2. The scope of the Emergency Operations Plan is limited to:
 - 2.1. Emergencies that may occur at facilities owned or operated by TAMU-CC;
 - 2.2. Emergencies that require the assistance of an internal department(s) and/or emergency responders outside of TAMU-CC; and
 - 2.3. Activities that commence from the first indication of an emergency condition and continue until the end of the incident when normal operations are resumed.
- 3. Because of the proximity of its island campus to the Texas Gulf Coast, TAMU-CC will maintain a hurricane/tropical storm defense plan as part of the Emergency Operations Plan to safeguard students, faculty, and staff and to protect campus property in the event of a hurricane or tropical storm. The plan will cover responsibilities and courses of action for students, faculty, and staff throughout the hurricane season.
- 4. The university's Emergency Operations Plan will be reviewed and updated annually by the Director of Environmental, Health and Safety. The updated plan will be reviewed and approved by the Chief Ethics & Compliance Officer and Vice President for Finance and Administration at TAMU-CC.
- 5. All members of the Incident Command Team, as defined in the Emergency Operations Plan, will be required to have National Incident Management System training from FEMA. On a periodic basis, the Incident Commander and/or Deputy Incident Commander will ensure that there are drills and table-top exercises to ensure familiarity with the university's Emergency Operations Plan.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

Tex. Educ. Code §§ 51.217, 51.218

20 U.S.C. § 1092

Texas Governor's Executive Order RP40

Homeland Security Presidential Directive/HSPD-5: Directive on Management of Domestic Incidents

Homeland Security Presidential Policy Directive/PPD-8: National Preparedness

National Incident Management System (NIMS)

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1600 – Standard on Disaster/Emergency
Management and Business Continuity Programs, 2007

FEMA (CPG) 101: Developing and Maintaining Emergency Operations Plans, Version 2 System Policy <u>34.07</u>, <u>Emergency Management</u> System Regulation <u>34.07.01</u>, <u>Emergency Operations Plans</u>

This procedure supersedes:

- 34.07.01.C0.01, Emergency Management
- 34.07.99.C1, Hurricane/Tropical Storm Preparedness
- 34.07.99.C1.02, Hurricane/Tropical Storm Preparedness

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TAMU-CC Emergency Operations Plan

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