





FIRE SERVICE RESOURCE EMERGENCY DEPLOYMENT ACT

N.J.A.C. 5:75A-1.1







FIRE DEPLOYMENT ACT

- The Fire Services Resources Emergency Deployment Act establishes a mechanism for the coordination of fire service resources





FIRE DEPLOYMENT ACT

Responses to:

- FIRE
- EXPLOSION
- TERRORISM
- NATURAL DISASTER
- OTHER EVENTS REQUIRING THE USE OF FIRE SERVICE RESOURCES





FIRE DEPLOYMENT ACT

order to protect

- LIFE
- PROPERTY
- ENVIRONMENT





FIRE DEPLOYMENT ACT

The coordination of fire service resources throughout New Jersey to facilitate a ***safe and efficient response*** to any emergency incident that requires the immediate deployment of fire service resources.



State Fire Coordinator

- **Director** of the Division of Fire Safety
Department of Community Affairs
- **Richard Mikutsky**
State Fire Coordinator
State Fire Marshal





State Fire Coordinator

Duties and Responsibilities

- Fire service resources management and coordination
- The preparation of the State Emergency Operations Plan Fire Annex (ESF#4), State Office of Emergency Management.
- Staff State Emergency Operations Center
- Appointment of Fire Coordinators
- Duties and responsibilities of Fire Coordinator



State Fire Coordinator

- Appoints county fire coordinators
- Determine the duties and responsibilities of the County Fire Coordinators



Deputy State Fire Coordinator

- Appointed by the State Fire Coordinator from Division of Fire Safety staff
 - Assist the State Fire Coordinator with the duties and responsibilities.
 - Serve as the State Fire Coordinator in his absence.
- At least as qualified as a County Fire Coordinator



Regional Fire Coordinators

- Appointed by the State Fire Coordinator to assist the County Fire Coordinators
- Office of Fire Department Preparedness Staff



County Fire Coordinator

- Member of the County OEM Staff
- County Fire Service resources manager and coordinator
- Duties include, but not limited to:
 - Liaison to incident commander to provide fire resources
 - Other functions as requested by the incident commander or County OEM



County Fire Coordinator

- Prepares the county Emergency Operations Plan Fire Annex / ESF#4 with County Emergency Management
- Prepares the county fire mutual aid plan



County Fire Coordinator

- **Major Fires or Emergency Events**
 - **Notification to Region Fire Coordinator**
 - that could require a large commitment of fire service resources
- **Examples:**
 - **Activation of County Fire Mutual Aid Plan**
 - **High profile incidents**
 - **Hazardous materials incident**
 - **Planned community event**
 - **Other significant events**



County Fire Coordinator

- Serves a two-year term
- Vacancies filled in same manner as original appointment
- Provide documentation of eligibility to County OEM and State Fire Coordinator per N.J.A.C 5:75A-2.3(d)1

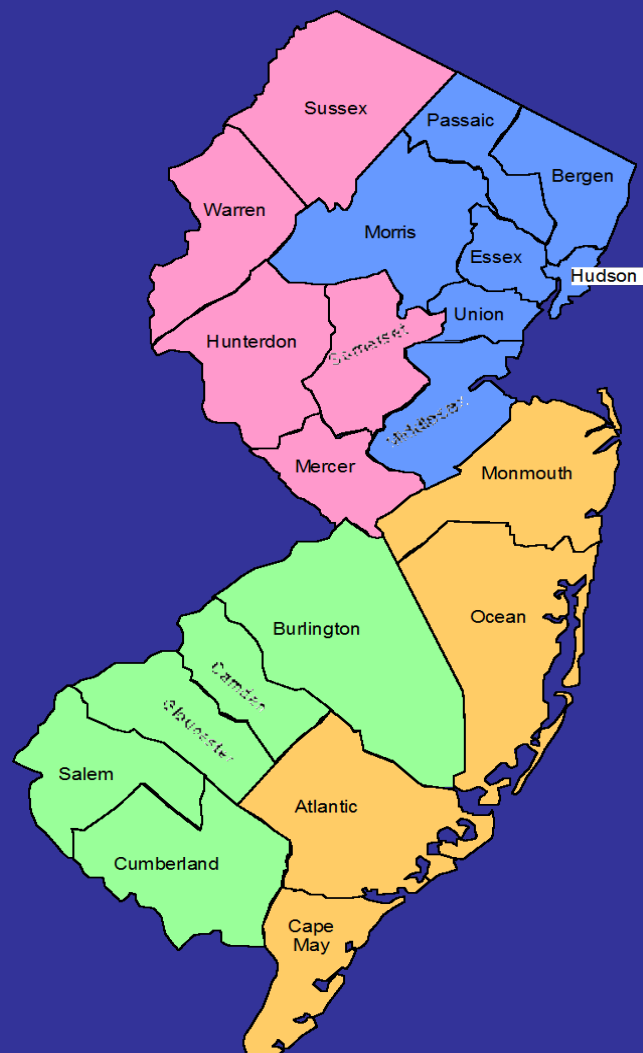


County Fire Coordinator

- **Eligible Candidates**
 - Incident Management Level 3 (I-400)
NJDFS certification
- Continuing education as required by the State Fire Coordinator
- In accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:75A-2.3(d)1



Fire Regions

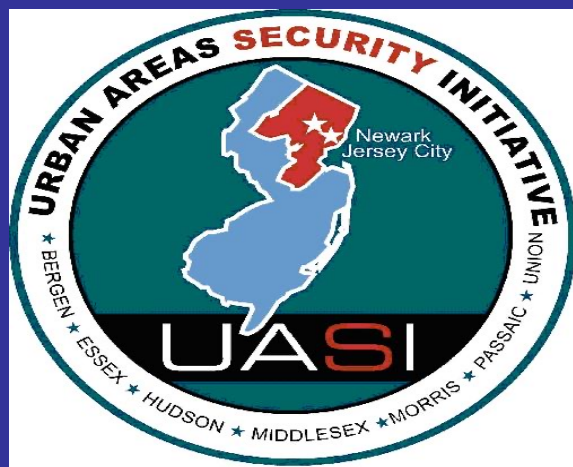






UASI Region

- Regional Fire Coordinator
Steve Dyl

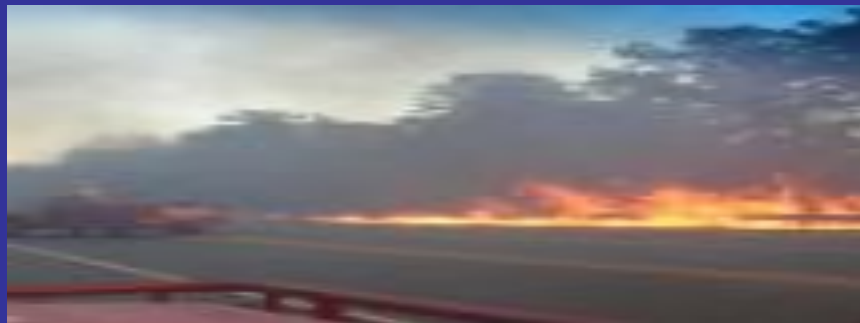




Shore Region

Regional Fire Coordinator

Don Nelsen





Northwest Region

Regional Fire Coordinator

Gene Iandolo





Delaware River Region

- Regional Fire Coordinator
Chris Barrella





ROIC / Intel

- Fire Intelligence Officer
Ben Berkman





NJ Division of Fire Safety

Coordination







Local Fire Mutual Aid Plan

- Each municipality, or fire district, in this State shall prepare and adopt a local fire mutual aid plan

N.J.A.C. 5:75A-2.2





Mutual Aid Plan

DEPARTMENT NAME:	BOX ALARM TYPE:	EFFECTIVE DATE
BOX ALARM #:	LOCATION OR AREA:	AUTHORIZ

LOCAL DISPATCH AREA :

ALARM LEVEL	ENGINES	TEND ERS	TRUCKS	SQUADS	EMS	CHIEFS	SPECIAL EQUIPMENT	
STILL								

MABAS BOX ALARM:

ALARM LEVEL	ENGINES	TEND ERS	TRUCKS	SQUADS	EMS	CHIEFS	SP ECIAL EQUIPMENT	
BOX								
2 ND								
3 RD								
4 TH								
5 TH								
6 TH								
7 TH								
INTERDIVISIONAL REQUEST	1 st Choice DIVISION #		2 nd Choice DIVISION #		3 rd Choice DIVISION #			

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS :

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Local Fire Mutual Aid Plan

- The plan sets forth:
 - policies and
 - procedures to implement the effective utilization of fire service resources
- Adopted no later than March 10, 2004



Local Fire Mutual Aid Plan

- **Essential Measures**
 - Developed in conjunction with the County mutual aid plan
 - Standard format for deployment of firefighting resources
 - Collaborative effort with mutual aid fire departments



Local Fire Mutual Aid Plan

- Each municipality, or fire district, shall provide a copy of its local fire mutual aid plan to the county fire coordinator **N.J.A.C. 5:75A-2.2(e)**
- Fire mutual aid plans must be updated and reviewed every two years **N.J.A.C. 5:75A-2.2(h)**



Local Fire Mutual Aid Plan

- When a local fire mutual aid plan provides for the provision of assistance and fire service resources to another County, a copy of that plan must be sent to:
 - **County Fire Coordinator**
 - **Regional Fire Coordinator**



Local Fire Mutual Aid Plan

- When a local fire mutual aid plan provides for assistance and fire service resources by or to a **another State**, a copy of that plan shall be sent to the
 - **Regional Fire Coordinator**
 - **State Fire Coordinator**



Local Fire Mutual Aid Plan

- Included in local and county Emergency Operations Plans
 - Critical infrastructure(s)
 - Target hazards, high life hazards
 - Considers anticipated fire service resources for occupancies that will likely require mutual aid



County Mutual Aid Plan

- Each fire department in the county *will* be part of the county mutual aid plan
- Shall provide the county fire coordinator:
 - Complete inventory of apparatus, personnel, equipment and facilities



County Mutual Aid Plan Index

- Cover
- Review / Acceptance page
- Index
- Preface



County Mutual Aid Plan Index

- Deployment Act
- Coordinator / Deputy contact info
- County Mutual Aid Plan
- County EOP Fire Annex
- Run Card Assignments
- Inventory Equipment / facilities
- Radio Communications / frequencies



County Mutual Aid Plan Index

- Structural Task Forces
- Out of County Task Forces
- Water Tender Task Forces
- Foam Tender Task Forces
- Ladder Co Task Forces
- Marine /Boat Task Forces
- LDH Strike Teams
- Special Rescue Strike Teams
- Wildland Urban Interface Task Forces



County Mutual Aid Plan Index

- Staging Area designations
- RIT / RIC Response Plans
- Drafting sites
- Personnel Accountability plans
- Bridge, height, weight hazards
- USAR plans
- Vacant building markings



Superior Court of New Jersey Appellate Division

Decision January 19, 2018

In the Matter of the City of Paterson
Fire Department Mutual Aid Plan



Mutual Aid Agreement

- A means for one government entity to provide
 - Resources
 - Facilities
 - Services
 - Other supportto another jurisdiction during an emergency event.
- Legal document





Mutual Aid Agreement

- At a minimum, mutual-aid agreements should include:
 - Definitions of key terms used in the agreement
 - Roles and responsibilities of individual parties
 - Procedures for requesting and providing assistance



Mutual Aid Agreement

- Procedures, authorities, and rules for payment, reimbursement, and allocation of costs
- Notification procedures
- Radio communications plan
- Relationships with other agreements among jurisdictions



Mutual Aid Agreement

- Workers compensation
- Treatment of liability and immunity
- Recognition of qualifications and certifications
- Sharing agreements, as required





Memorandum of Understanding

- An agreement between entities that describes:
 - The Purpose/Objective of the MOU
 - Who is responsible
 - Very similar to a mutual aid agreement, but not as detailed (contractual)
 - Not applicable for most of the Fire Service Resource Emergency Deployment Act



County (Regional) Mutual Aid Agreements

- County fire mutual aid agreements are designed to enhance a County's response capability and are not designed to replace existing or local agreements



County Mutual Aid Plan

- Incident Commander requests additional resources
- County Fire Coordinator notified
- CFC monitors deployment of fire resources & coordinates
- Updates the Regional Fire Coordinator and State Fire Coordinator



Activating County Mutual Aid

- Incident Commander requests Mutual Aid
 - Communications Center:
 - Notifies Mutual Aid Fire Departments
 - Notifies County Fire Coordinator



County and Regional Notifications

- Acting local, *think regional*
 - Incident commanders are typically not aware of simultaneous emergencies
- County Fire Coordinators
- Regional Fire Coordinators





Emergency Incident

- **"Emergency incident"**
 - Any situation to which the fire service responds to deliver emergency services including, but not limited to:
 - Firefighting
 - Rescue
 - Special operations
 - Other emergencies
 - WMD/Terrorism
 - Natural Disasters



Emergency Characteristics

- Large Scale Events
- Long-Duration Operations
- Multi-threat Events
- Multiple Incidents
 - In County
 - In Region
 - In State



Local Emergency

- An emergency incident which, in the judgment of the incident commander, is of such severe degree that it presents a significant threat to the health, safety and welfare of a community
- warrants the implementation of the municipality's municipal emergency operations plan”

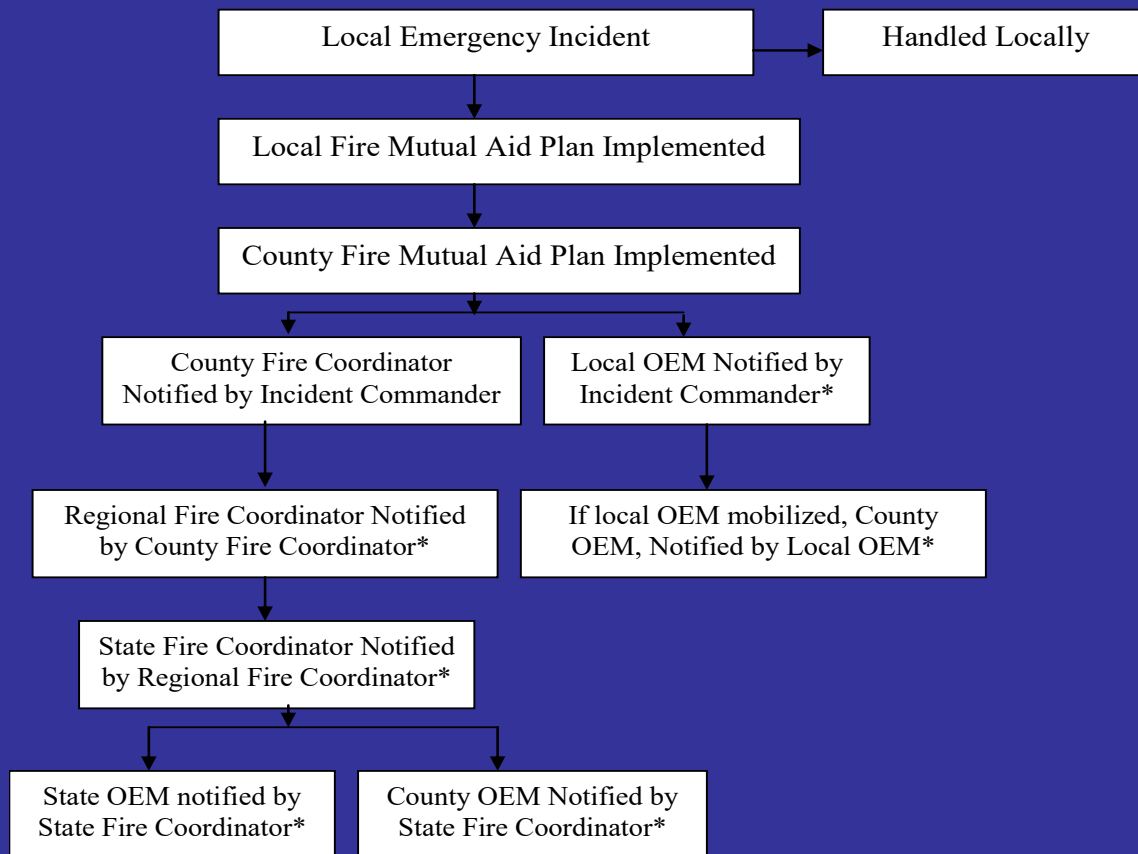


County Fire Emergency

- After calling local fire mutual aid from the local fire mutual aid plan, the Incident Commander determines that more resources are needed:
 - county fire mutual aid plan is activated.



Emergency Incident Flow Chart



*Response by noted listed agencies will be determined by scale and type of incident.



Regional Fire Coordinator

Notified by County Fire Coordinator

- *Out of county resources are deployed*
 - *3 alarms or greater*
 - *Other high profile incidents*
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- Provides periodic updates of the incident until termination



Regional Fire Coordinator

- Regional fire coordinator may respond and provide logistical and technical support
 - Coordinate the use of regional and state fire resources
 - Liaison with other State agencies on scene



Notifications

- **The Regional Fire Coordinator (RFC) shall ensure that the State Fire Coordinator is notified and provided periodic updates until termination of the emergency incident**



Local and County EOC

- **Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator notifies:**

County Emergency Management Coordinator

- **prepared to respond in the event that local resources are insufficient to effectively deal with the emergency incident**



Notification

- **County Emergency Management shall notify the State Office of Emergency Management of the emergency incident**
- **Requests for other assistance from the State Office of Emergency Management shall be made by the County Emergency Management**



Out of State Requests

- The State Fire Coordinator:
 - Coordinates fire service resources deployment to another state during a emergency in that state
 - Coordinated through each states OEM/EOC
 - EMAC



Out of State Requests

- "Emergency Management Assistance Compact," P.L.2001, c. 249 (C.38A:20-4 et seq.)



Order of Deployment

- State fire coordinator is authorized to direct that any unit of fire service ***not respond*** to an emergency incident or a local fire emergency disaster, and remain on local standby when.....



Order of Deployment

- ...the State Fire Coordinator (RFC's) determine that a county, region or municipality **may not have sufficient fire service resources remaining available as a result of other deployments:**
 - Major Fire (Large response)
 - Long Duration Emergencies
 - Large HAZMAT emergency
 - WMD/Terrorism



Order of Deployment

State Fire Coordinator may *order* a deployment of a fire department to provide necessary fire protection services, including the provision of fire service resources to a municipality or portion thereof in need of fire resources.



Order of Deployment

- An order of deployment issued pursuant to this section shall be terminated by the State Fire Coordinator
 - When the deployed unit of the fire service is once again able to provide adequate fire protection to the residents within its area of responsibility without requiring mutual aid



Order of Deployment



- An order of deployment during the period of the emergency incident or disaster can rescinded or modified by:
- State Fire Coordinator
- Governor (P.L.1942, c. 251 (C.App.A:9-33 et seq.)



Enforcement

Any person or entity that willfully violates this act shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$10,000 per each violation N.J.A.C. 5:75A-3.6(a)



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“In All Things Prepared”



Office of Fire Department Preparedness

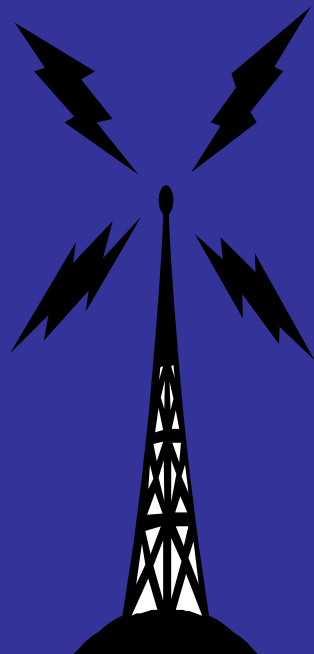
“Coordinates and plans the deployment of fire service resources throughout New Jersey and when requested by States and federal agencies by facilitating a safe and efficient response to any emergency incident or event that requires the deployment of fire resources.”



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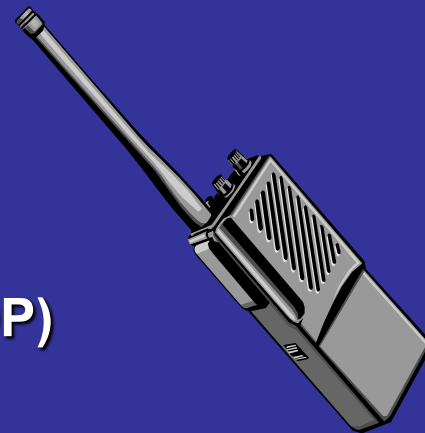
- Mercer County Communications
- 24/7 notification system



Any EMERGENCY

- Fire Investigation Unit
- Regional Fire Coordinators
- Incident Support Staff (OFDP)

- Back up # 609-799-0110





State Notifications

- Firefighter(s) fatality/serious injury
- Multiple civilian casualties
- State is Local Enforcement Authority
- Incidents involving State land or buildings
- NJSP and other state agencies on scene
- Activation of County mutual aid plan
- County OEM activations



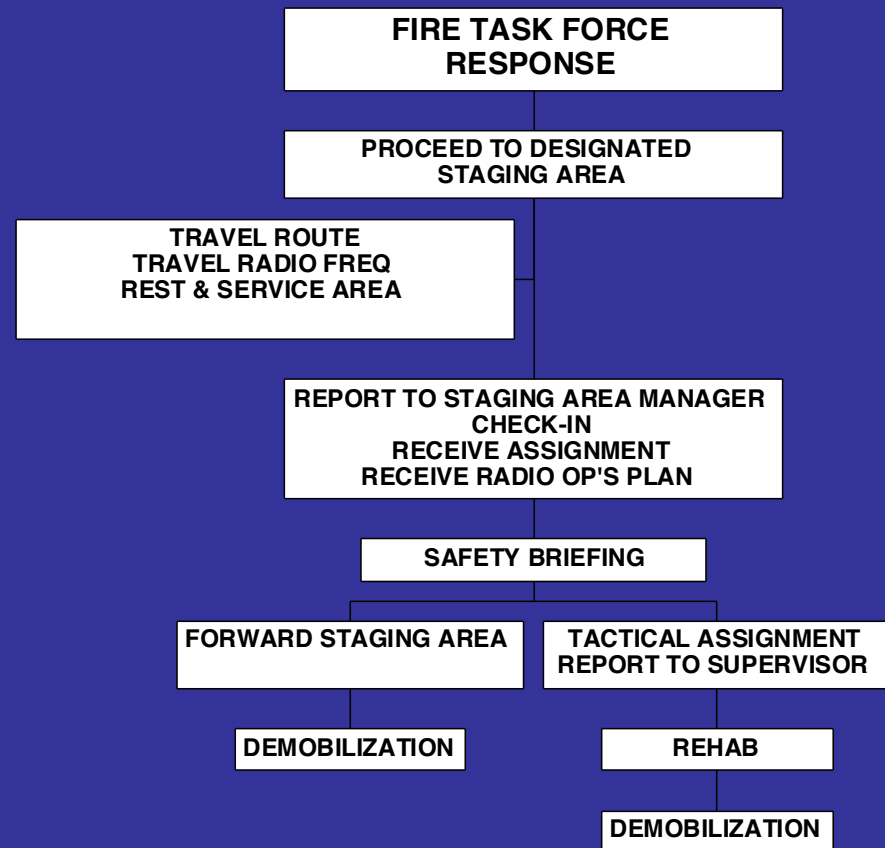
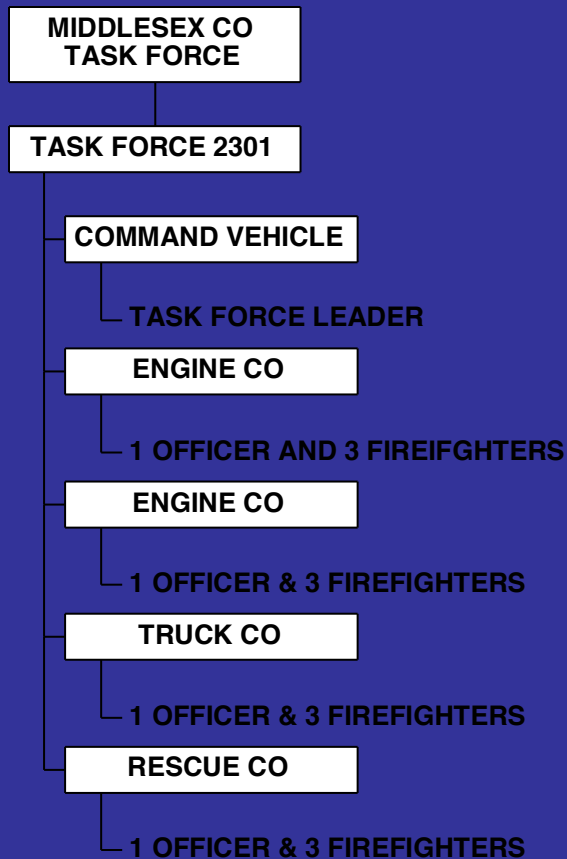
State Notifications

- ***High Profile*** Emergency Incidents (ie.):
 - Hazardous materials incidents
 - Aircraft/Airport incidents
 - Transportation incidents
 - MCI w/ fire mutual aid activation
 - WMD/Terrorism (or suspected) incident
 - Natural disaster incidents



Strike Teams / Task Forces

Typical example





Strike Team / Task Force

- Strike Team
 - All same resource
 - Engines
 - Ladders
 - Brush trucks
 - Tenders
- Task Force
 - Combined resources
 - 2 Engines
 - 1 Truck
 - 1 Rescue
 - 1 Chief officer









Points of Contact



- Bruce Tynan- **Bureau Chief** 609-475-5325
- Tim Weiss- **OFDP Supervisor** 609-475-5328
- Steven Dyl- **UASI** 609-913-7930
- Gene landolo- **Northwest** 609-462-5992
- Chris Barrella- **Delaware River** 609-508-0504
- Don Nelsen- **Shore** 609-477-9346
- Ben Berkman- **ROIC/Intel** 609-462-6058



In Memory





EVERYONE GOES HOME®

*Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives by
the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation*