

Situation Report

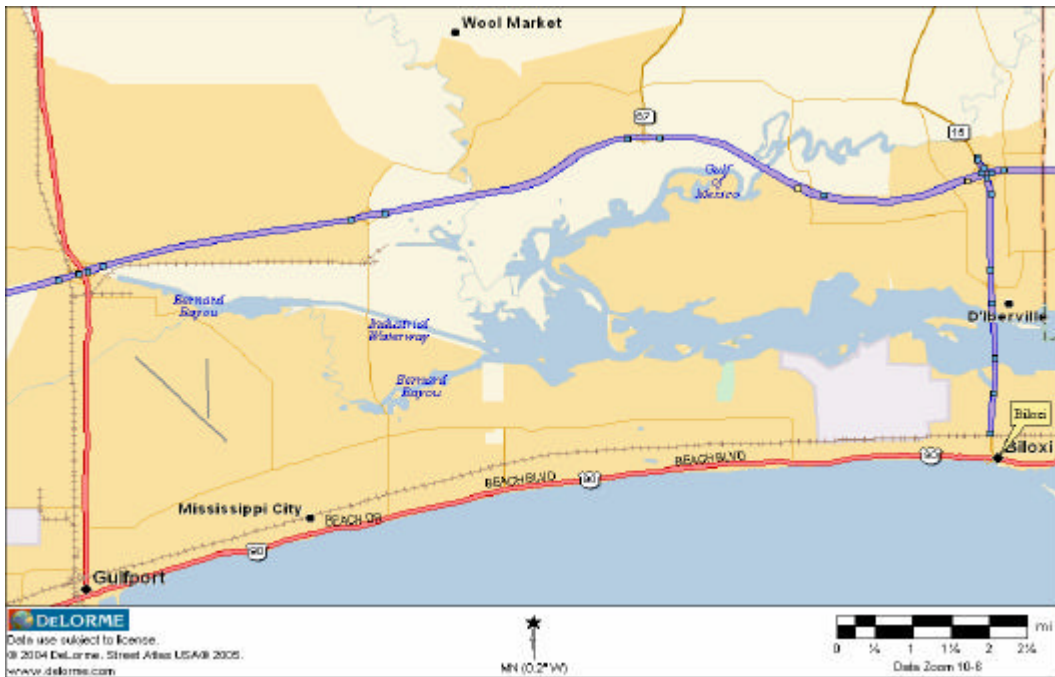
Katrina-20
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State of Indiana
Operation Hoosier Relief

September 29, 2005 - 1730

Direct Support to Mississippi:





NOTE: We are in receipt of EMAC REQ-A Form (mission # 602) requesting an extension to the deployment of Law Enforcement Officers under EMAC REQ-A # 90 (the Operation Hoosier Relief Task Force) until the 17th of October. We have yet to reply utilizing Part II.

Operation Hoosier Relief Task Force – Biloxi, MS

Situation Report for 9/28/05

Sent: Wed 9/28/2005 2246 PM

SITUATION REPORT

September 28, 2005

WEATHER

Today was partly sunny with a high of 85 and a low of 72. The heat index was 93 degrees. Tomorrow will be partly cloudy with a high of 85 and a low of 61 with a 20% chance thundershowers.

ISSUES

Weather may be an issue for the current Camp Indiana personnel and those who will be coming into the Camp over the next few days. It is important that space for personnel and belongings be made. In order to assist in accommodating the significant numbers coming in, the Guard will be sitting up additional tentage and cots for personnel.

DHS-BRAD THATCHER / KEN WOODALL / TOM NOWACKI

Brad Thatcher reiterated that the DHS Executive Director will be coming to Camp Indiana tomorrow to tour the facility and to examine the destruction that was caused by Hurricane Katrina. He will be accompanied by the DHS Response Division Director, Phil Roberts, the DHS Senior PIO, Pam Bright, and the Executive Director for Indiana Department of Natural Resources. Brad handed out the agenda for the visit to all those present. Brad also informed the Team Leaders that tomorrow evening there will be a bar-b-q set up. Chicken will be served and grilled by the Guard Mess Staff and a live jazz band will be providing entertainment to Camp Indiana personnel. Brad wanted to ensure that those Indiana personnel not at Camp Indiana are aware of the event so they can enjoy the good food and good music. To ensure that the medical and mental health staff are present for the evening meal, the clinics will be closing an hour early tomorrow. Ken "Woody" Woodall let the group know that this afternoon a truck with donated clothes was attempting to make contact with FEMA personnel at the Convention Center but the distribution center was closed. The personnel with the truck and donated materials were wanting Guard members to assist them in the off-loading of the clothes. However, in attempt to make contact with FEMA and to coordinate the unloading, the truck left without letting Woody know where they were going. Woody advised the group that this truck may show up in the future. Tom Nowacki ask if there was still a need for 2 portable nebulizers, which there doesn't seem to be. He also stated that he was still working on a previous request for lexapril, but was unsure when that would coming in, if at all.

DNR-CAPT. TERRY HYNDMAN

Captain Hyndman let the group know that their camp had moved. The new location is off of State Road 57 in the town of Van Cleave. He stated that the transition to the new camp, although still on-going, has been very good. The DNR support of the Rhode Island USAR team to recover and locate 20 residents in Hancock County was discontinued. No other remains have been found and it was agreed by the USAR team and our personnel to terminate the mission. Captain Hyndman reports that there is significant emphasis being placed on residents and responders moving with boats within the Gulf of Mexico along the coast due to the significant damages to the islands that parallel the mainland. The DNR Crews have been working the US Coast Guard to identify areas that may be dangerous. New DNR personnel arrive tomorrow night to replace those individuals currently here. They should be in by midnight. DNR personnel that have been here the last two weeks will be rotated out on Friday and Saturday. DNR Officers also worked with the Department of Interior by assisting the property manager of the Grand Bay Wildlife Refuge. The property manager had stopped a male subject who had a rifle and was apparently shooting snakes. Our DNR Conservation Officers detained the man and took his personnel information in order to complete future follow-up activities. The Sawyer Crews will be heading out tomorrow and their debriefing will occur tonight along with the DNR Correctional Officers at the Van Cleave Camp.

PIO-ANDY ZIRKEL / JOHN SALB

Andy reported that his replacement, John Salb from the Indiana DNR, is here and that he

working with him to ensure that his transition as the Task Force PIO is a smooth one. Andy also reported that he had an on-air interview with the mid-day crew at the local ABC affiliate, WLOX. In that interview, he provided information on activities being completed with regarding to Operation Hoosier relief, such as the free medical care and clinics in the Biloxi and Gulfport areas, as well as the law enforcement and National Guard missions that have been completed over the last month. Additionally, Andy completed two phone interviews and produced a press release on the Hoosier Helpers that was picked up by the Indianapolis Star.

ISP-MAJ. MISHLER / TOM MELVILLE

Major Mishler will be transferring his command to Major Tom Melville on Thursday morning. The Major reported that he had been working with the Mississippi Area Command on the assignment of law enforcement personnel and their duties within the area. He also reported that as of today, Indiana law enforcement personnel are some of the only police from outside Mississippi still operating here and that we should be proud that Biloxi and Gulfport are still requesting our assistance in support of their communities. Major Mishler will be leaving tomorrow morning at 0500hrs back to Indiana.

The following activities were also reported: - Camp Indiana security

2-Domestic calls

1-Burglary call

1-Salvation Army relief effort at Yankee Stadium

4-Security for First Lady Visit

1-Drug arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia

2-DWI

1-Arrest for Methadone possession

1-Medical Center security

30-Warnings issued

2-Vehicle stops

2-Curfew stops resulting in arrests

1-House entry

1-Suspicious vehicle stop

1-Warehouse security

17-Police service calls

8-Curfew warnings issued

1-Attempt to serve a warrant

1-Warrant arrest

1-Arrest

5-Reports

1-Looting call

2-Accident calls

1-Theft in progress

1-911 call

1-Alarm call

MEDICAL- JENNIFER BUNCH / MARILYN WHITNEY

A total of 345 individuals were treated. 328 vaccinations were given. 42 prescriptions were filled. 8,463 pills were dispensed. Dr. Bunch stated she was orienting the new Medical Team Leader, Dr. Marilyn Whitney to the Camp and the Biloxi area clinics. Liz Hibler is being replaced by Tanya Williams, who was also being oriented to the current medical support operations. Dr. Bunch reported that the clinics located at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church and the Women's and Children's Center (WIC) are still producing a great number of patients and appears will continue to do so. An additional clinic was established today at the Little Rock Baptist Church and 80 patients were seen there. These individuals were mostly elderly residents who have been unable to contact their doctors. The need in this area is considered important until our staff can coordinate support from other area doctors. Due to the information put out by Andy Zirkle today on television, the Church of Christ and Fatima also received a very large number of people and probably will continue to do through the rest of the weekend.

MENTAL HEALTH-VICKIE TROUT

Vicki reported that her team saw a total of 634 people today. She stated that there were residents in the area who are psychotic and without medications and that the need for the appropriate treatment for these individuals should be a priority. Vicki also stated that FEMA called requesting mental health support at the Disaster Assistance Centers and that her personnel will be providing that support starting tomorrow.

GUARD- MAJOR MILLEN

Major Millen reported that the Guard completed a total of 10 missions today. Among these included supporting the WIC Clinic, obtaining 1,100 gallons of fuel for Camp personnel, and the Gulf Coast Mental Health Center. The Major reports that he has made tentage and cots available for those replacement personnel coming in over the next couple of days. He emphasized safety and cautioned that new personnel should be aware of Camp rules concerning speed and access to the compound. 8 missions are now scheduled for tomorrow.

INDOT-(Hoosier helper) TONY KEITH

Tony reported that he was involved in the clean up of a major accident today and was assisted by Biloxi Police. He also reported the following activities:

- 438 total miles driven
- 10 abandoned vehicles were removed
- 1 traffic control run
- 1 escorts
- 1 gasoline
- 2 overheated vehicle
- 3 information assists
- 1 minor repair
- 9 welfare checks
- 1 other

7 tire changes
1 accident
4 debris removals

DOC-PETRIE HAYES

Street teams visited the clinics today. Petrie mentioned that the teams went to the clinics. Because security concerns are becoming a more important issue teams need to ensure that they are using safe practices and are always with at least one other person.

ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

TOTAL STAFF-210

IDHS-7
MENTAL HEALTH-10
MEDICAL-33
INDOT-2
PIOS-3
LAW ENFORCEMENT-63
DOC-4
GUARD-52
MEDIA-0
DNR COs-27
SAWYERS-9

MORALE

Task Force members continue to anticipate the transition and going home. Several Task Force members have expressed that they will miss their new found friendships and the sense of accomplishment that they have experienced as part of the task force. Task Force members have begun to reflect on their time in Mississippi, what they have seen here, and how it will change the way in which they look at things when they return home to their family. Everyone is tired, but feels that have done a lot of good and morale is good throughout the camp.

MDI Fuel Tanker Support – Camp Shelby, MS:

SITREP

No Situation Report from the Tanker Task Force today.

Local Government, Direct Support to Louisiana:

Law Enforcement Agency Support – Jefferson Parrish

Hendricks County Sheriff – 11 officers (*returned 9/17*)
Carroll County Sheriff – 7 officers (*returned 9/8*)
Wabash County Sheriff – 1 officer (*returned 9/9*)
Henry County Sheriff – 19 officers (*returned – date unknown*)
Putnam County Sheriff – 21 officers (*returned 9/9*)
Madison County Sheriff – 21 officers (*returned 9/9*)
Delaware County Sheriff – 11 officers (*returned 9/9*)
Morgan County Sheriff – 3 officers (*returned 9/9*)
Marion PD – 8 officers (*2nd rotation due back 10/16*)

EMS Support – New Orleans

LaGrange County/Noble County – 4 ALS Paramedics and 2 ambulances
(*Still in Louisiana, estimated return date is +/- Sep 30*)

Local Government, Direct Support to Mississippi:

50-Man Law Enforcement Task Force – Mississippi (general)

The City of Indianapolis has offered a 50-man ERG team for deployment to MS. *While no specific request was made for the team by the State of Mississippi, IPD's offer did not go unnoticed. A portion of IPD's ERG is now a portion of the State of Indiana's Operation Hoosier Relief Task Force in Biloxi, MS. Welcome aboard!*

Adopt-a-Town:

LaGrange County has adopted the City of D'Iberville, MS. *The first team to visit Mississippi returned to LaGrange County last night. A report on their activities will be included when received.*

Carmel, IN (Hamilton County) has adopted Long Beach, MS. *Carmel PD has donated 8 recently retired police cruisers to Long Beach PD to replace those lost in Hurricane Katrina. Parish-to-Parish adoptions are also taking place within the religious community. Additionally, Carmel VFW Post 10003 donated some much-needed cash to its counterpart VFW Post 3937.*

Adopt-a-County:

Lawrence County, Indiana is adopting Lawrence County, Mississippi.

Hancock County, Indiana is partnering with Hancock County, Mississippi. *Two truckloads of needed material was delivered to Hancock County, MS last week by representatives of Hancock County.*

Volunteer Support to Mississippi or Louisiana:

INVOAD / Affiliated Volunteer Agencies

Over 2900 volunteers logged available to be deployed as requested among our 27 agencies.

Evacuee Registration as of 9/28/05 08:00

There were a total of over 4800 hits against www.indianadisasterhelp.org on Monday, September 26, 2005.

There have been a total of over 90,000 hits against the site since September 1, 2005.

Total Registrants: 3128

Total Families: 2608

Total Self Registrants: 282

Possible Duplicate Evacuees: 323

***** By State of Origin *****

Total Evacuees from Alabama: 20

Total Evacuees from Louisiana : 2414

Total Evacuees from Mississippi: 653

Total Evacuees from unknown state: 41

***** FEMA

(18 years or older) Total claiming to have registered with FEMA: 411

Total with FEMA ID: 1677

***** Long Term Housing

Total requesting long term housing:

1136

Total families: 797

***** By Age

Total under 5 years of age: 171

Total school age (between 5 and 18):

425

Total college age (between 18 and 22):

150

Total from age 23 to 59: 817

Total 60 or older: 179

Total age unknown: 1386

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Hope Crisis Response Network (HCRN)

- Has 300 volunteers in Gulf area.
- Total 60 Doctors and Nurses will be stationed in the combined shelter in Alexandria.
- In Biloxi MS: There will be an average of 50 rotating through the next 6 to 8 weeks and the numbers will potentially increase when bunk beds are installed in the Staffing unit to allow for more staff.

People Helping People

- Has 26 people on the ground in Gulf States.
- Needs are for cleaning supplies, trash bags, and cleanup volunteers

United Church of Christ - Indiana-Kentucky Conference, United Church of Christ

- Offerings are being taken for long-term recovery in Mississippi, Alabama, and Louisiana.

211 Information Network

- To date, IN211 Centers have responded to about 4,500 calls related to Hurricane Katrina through its eight IN211 Centers. More than 75% of those calls were handled by Information & Referral Network, the IN211 Center in Indianapolis.
- While most of the callers need request information about volunteering or donations, approximately 15% are from evacuees requesting assistance with basic needs.
- Some IN211 Centers have also recorded information from offers for available housing units for evacuees.
- IN211 Centers located in Indianapolis, Evansville, Ft. Wayne, Columbus, Terre Haute and Lafayette have participated in local efforts to coordinate services. Centers in Evansville and Ft. Wayne have helped coordinate "one-stop shop" service fairs for evacuees.
- The IN211 Center in Columbus sent a staff member to work in the 2-1-1 Center in Monroe, LA. (FYI: 2-1-1 Centers throughout the country have sent staff to
- 2-1-1 Centers in Jackson, MS; Baton Rouge and Monroe, LA; and Austin and Houston, TX.)
- Because of their certification in crisis intervention, some IN211 Centers also answer calls through the national mental health line, 1-800-273-TALK.

Red Cross in Indiana

- Opened 1342 assistance cases for 3490 individuals given emergency financial assistance. Deployed approximately 359 disaster workers to affected region.
- 5 Emergency Response Vehicles (or ERVs) deployed to assist bulk distribution and feeding operations. Currently has shelters operational or on standby capacity is 1225. The Indianapolis Red Cross shelter is currently sheltering 0. Potential reopening of Fairgrounds Shelter discussed for 20 new evacuees from Rita until Oct 3rd.

The Salvation Army Indiana Division

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(Stats as of Friday June 23)

- Total Number of cases opened: 150 (as of 9/23/05)
- Total Number of Individuals Served: 415 (as of 9/23/05)
- Total amount in Financial Assistance Given: \$79020.00 (as of 9/23/05)
- Two Canteens still stationed in Louisiana.
- Two teams to be sent every two weeks.
- Recently one team has been sent from New Albany with a canteen to Arkansas for deployment in Louisiana for Hurricane Rita

Friend Disaster Service

- State Liaison to State EOC Coordinating INVOAD information Liaison on Teleconferences.

St. Vincent DePaul

- Society of St. Vincent DePaul is currently supplying furniture and some food to hurricane victims.

Emergency and Rescue Services Support (EARSS) (DAVVIS)

- There were a total of 4,798 hits against www.indianadisasterhelp.org on Monday, September 26, 2005.
- There have been a total of 88,062 hits against the site since September 1, 2005.

Hope International Ministries

- Still serving the local evacuees on a daily basis.

North Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church (UMCOR)

- Collecting flood buckets, health kits and other supplies for distribution.
- Developing teams to go into the damaged areas for clean up activities.
- Collecting money to be used by UMCOR in our church wide relief efforts.

South Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church (UMCOR)

- Methodist Churches are working with sister churches in the Katrina area.
- St. Lukes United Methodist Church is developing Long Term Recovery Teams
- 5 Warehouse distribution centers currently the four states of LA, MS, AL, and FL.

I-CART Indiana Crisis Assistance Response Team

- On-site psychological first aid support to Salvation Army and American Red Cross for shelter residents.
- Crisis counseling support to medical teams deployed to LA through HCRN.
- Team Members assisting with contact follow-up on evacuees here in Indiana.

Covenant Cooperative Ministry (new member of INVOAD)

- Collection and distribution of essential household items is on going.

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- CCM continues to refer all new contacts first to Red Cross. CCM has not been successful in establishing a chain of communication between Red Cross and Salvation Army locally.
- CCM volunteers are organizing a family social event and social services day at the relief center next week so families may have one central point of contact to learn about community agencies. Community volunteers are taking the lead in this project with increasing interest from local churches.
- CCM is also recruiting volunteers to help with the shipping of relief supplies. Collection is on going for one week and shipment will follow.

Direct Support to Texas:

Through the EMAC process, we have offered a Swift-Water Rescue/Law Enforcement Task Force should the State of Texas need our services. The team would be self-sufficient, much as the Task Force in Biloxi, MS. While the EMAC Broadcast Message for swift-water rescue personnel has been cancelled, our information is still in their hopper for potential future use. [No response to our offering has been received as of this time.](#)

NEXT REPORT DUE AT / AROUND: *September 29, 2005 – 1700*

Very respectfully,

Bob Demuth
Shift Supervisor