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## **Situation Report**

# Katrina-7

### **State of Indiana *Operation Hoosier Relief***

September 12, 2005 - 1730

## **Direct Support to Mississippi:**

### **Operation Hoosier Relief Task Force – Biloxi, MS**

*Situation Report for 9/11/05*

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## **SITREP 9/11/05**

### **ISSUES:**

- Ken Sowinski checked Cuban refugee patient who walked into base camp for chest pains and shortness of breath. Gave 2 Benadryl to help sleep (had mental health issues due to loss of daughter in Hurricane Katrina. Not necessarily dead, but hasn't heard any information from her).

### ***DAILY REPORTS:***

## **Indiana Conservation Officers, ISP Boat Officers, IDNR Forestry (Jerry Presnell)**

*Report from day shift September 11, 2005*

ISP water patrol officer arrested an individual for operating motorboat without a registration and removal of Indian artifacts in St. Martin Bayou. The man was stealing Indian artifacts, but to ticket him with that would have required him to be hauled to jail and the county jail was full. He will eventually be charged with looting when the jails have cleared a bit more. They also had an individual give them a firearm that he found in his living room that was not his. Officers also checked other suspected looters.

Indiana Conservation Officers located and marked GPS locations on several boats in the marsh. One of the boats was a new sailboat worth \$120,000. Information was given to

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the Mississippi Marine Patrol Officers for follow up. Officers are still doing many welfare checks. Indiana Conservation Officers took food and water to a pregnant lady living on a boat. Conservation Officers took information on two boat registration violations and turned information over to the Mississippi Marine Patrol.

IDNR Forestry cleared and cut trees and brush again today – felled over 200 trees today.

Incident Commander for Conservation Officers and ISP water patrol officers received information of looting at night from a boat at 105 Lovers Lane. Detail was set up and we have officers with night vision working on the water tonight at that location.

Conservation Officers were requested to pair up with the Mississippi Fish and Wildlife Officers and work a detail tomorrow north of I-10. There will be 8 officers from both agencies in 8 boats going into an area that has had a lot of looting. There was an officer shot at last week in this same area. We will be saturating the area to slow down or stop the looting. Officers are going to leave at 7pm and work until after dark. Note: Officers also have a report of alligator poaching in this area at dark.

### ***South Bend Memorial (Steve Garrison)***

3 doctors and 8 nurses, in addition to the 6 South Bend Hospital folks, gave 169 Tetanus shots (including 95 done in the field when patients could not get to medical center) and treated 120 persons at Baptist Church on Pass Road. A couple of severe lacerations were treated and 3 home visits were made. The medical chaplain visited 19 patients with mental health issues. A big thanks to the Guard for providing 4 generators to the South Bend group to run the medical trailers and for directing traffic at the Baptist Church.

1500 units of tetanus shots were donated to the South Bend group including 1000 from a Georgia group who saw Steve G. on the news. With so much publicity, the clinic will be closing at 6:30 instead of 6 each evening.

An ISP guard will be posted to watch medications at the trailers overnight.

Volunteers of America will be taking over the operations of the medical unit once the Indiana group departs. They will need to provide cots for the patients, as the current cots are being provided by our National Guard.

### **National Guard (Col. Boucher)**

No change in present operations. Fueling for vehicles is good. An issue with fuel nozzles for the ISP vehicles is a problem, but is being addressed. Will work on getting traffic patterns established and marked with road signs by tomorrow evening. Extra cots on the transition days may be a problem as will parking space. Food issues (serving times, who will be serving what meals) resolves with CAT 5 group across the street.

*Cpt. Downs*- Supply order forms are requested with 24 hours notice on needs. Pallets with supplies will be individualized for each agency.

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*Sgt. Tibbs-* Need head count each day for lunches from CAT 5 group. CAT 5 will also do our laundry for small charge per person.

### **ISP (Monte McKee)**

Establishing routine with Biloxi Police Department (BPD). Daily duties include changing tires, hauling gas for citizens, help with medications. BPD is stabilizing, including consistent communication with ISP on TAC 2 radio. ISP boats opened all waterways to public use at noon today.

Some shrimpers were still on their boats in the Back Bay area, but they're ok. ISP also checked some boats for possible looting. ISP would like some night patrols with night vision to check for possible looters in the Back Bay area.

A sea lion from the local aquarium was found in the Back Bay area. The animal trainer was called and the sea lion happily went home! Another successful day!

Monte would like mental health folks to ride with ISP troopers because they are encountering a lot of people who just need a shoulder to cry on. Drew Klatte will make arrangements with Monte.

*Dave Bursten (PIO)-* Post Tribune and other media arriving tonight. Will be taking them on tours next couple of days. Got a media release out today through a local media outlet.

### **Medical and Mental Health Group (Ted Bailey, Tom Kerr, and Drew Klatte)**

*Drew Klatte-* A total of 79 people were seen today with 2 counselors out at Our Lady of Fatima church on Pass Road and 1 person at a church for a 70 person debriefing. Drew is meeting Harrison Co. mental health officer and public works tomorrow. Will also do a session at Central High School in Harrison Co. in the next couple of days (military are being housed there). Will meet with the administrators of Gulfport Memorial Hospital tomorrow for an assessment.

*Tom Kerr-* received 100+ Tetanus shots today from the Cummins plane dropoff in Gulfport. Base camp narcotics (Ativan and Valium) will be kept in the Mobile Command Center overnight.

*Ted Bailey-* 4 persons sent to Our Lady of Fatima church on Pass Road to treat 162 patients and give 107 Tetanus shots. Tomorrow will be outreach to local neighborhoods inaccessible by cars. 4 National Guardspersons will accompany 4 medical staff for a show of uniform security. Neighborhoods are reportedly home to many illegal immigrants so ISP will not be accompanying the medical staff for fear that some residents may hide if they see police officers (same may be said of military, but ISP were more heavily tasked than Guard people).

20 patients were seen at the Harrison County Public Works today and 12 Tetanus shots were given.

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7 medical persons will be staffing Our Lady of Fatima tomorrow.

### **Operation Hoosier Relief Commander Dave Perkins-**

We will be hooking up local schools with Indiana schools to handle donations. It will be an Adopt-a-School program with logistics handled by the schools rather than IDHS.

### **MDI Fuel Tanker Support – Camp Shelby, MS:**

2,300 Troops with 20 Fuel Tankers for fuel distribution missions.

The states and EMAC are still awaiting guidance from the National Guard Bureau regarding the implications of Title 32 activation for the states and EMAC.

### **Re-Supply Efforts:**

The re-supply of Operation Hoosier Relief was successfully completed yesterday, 9/11.

## **Local Government, Direct Support to Louisiana:**

### **Law Enforcement Agency Support – New Orleans**

Hendricks County Sheriff – 11 officers  
Carroll County Sheriff – 7 officers  
Wabash County Sheriff – 1 officer  
Henry County Sheriff – 19 officers  
Putnam County Sheriff – 21 officers  
Madison County Sheriff – 21 officers *(returned 9/9)*  
Delaware County Sheriff – 11 officers *(returned 9/9)*  
Morgan County Sheriff – 3 officers  
Marion PD – 8 officers

### **EMS Support – New Orleans**

LaGrange County/Noble County – 4 ALS Paramedics and 2 ambulances

## **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. Awaiting response/request from the State of Mississippi.

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**Volunteer Support to Mississippi or Louisiana:**

American Red Cross –

No Report from Red Cross for 9/11 or 9/12.

Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives –

35 calls related to individuals or organizations offering housing for displaced persons were received and processed over the weekend. We are continuing to receive calls from evacuees requesting housing that have been referred by the Red Cross.

INVOAD (Indiana Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters) –

No report from INVOAD for 9/12.

**NEXT REPORT DUE AT / AROUND: *September 13, 2005 – 1800***

Very respectfully,

*Bob Demuth*  
Shift Supervisor