STATE HIGHWAY PATROL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND DEPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL AND RESOURCES FOR NATURAL DISASTERS
North Carolina State Highway Patrol
Troop and District Boundaries

Troop / District Boundaries

- Troop
- District
STATE HIGHWAY PATROL - TROOP AND DISTRICT ALLOCATION

• The Troopers are assigned to duty stations across the state which is divided into 8 Troops Geographically
• Troops involved in the Coastal Evacuation plan are Troop A (148 Troopers over 20 Counties) and Troop B (164 Troopers over 6 Counties). 312 Troopers Total.
Each Troop has a Captain and three Lieutenants to assist with troop operations.
A District has a First Sergeant and at least two Sergeants to assist with district operations.
DECISION PROCESS FOR COASTAL EVACUATION

- Identify Event/Threat to North Carolina Coast (Hurricane)
- Discussion with State/Local Emergency Management Directors and with County and Local Officials
- Decision to evacuate
- District First Sergeant through constant contact with local Emergency Management Director is notified of decision to evacuate
- Evacuations should be conducted during daylight hours when possible
- The decision to evacuate will be the responsibility of each individual County
Conduct coastal evacuation planning meetings in Troops A and B along with Emergency Management personnel, local law enforcement, and the Department of Transportation (NCDOT)
COASTAL EVACUATION PLANS IN TROOPS A AND B UPDATED ANNUALLY TO IDENTIFY NEW TRAFFIC POST/ROUTES AND ACCURATE NUMBER OF PERSONNEL
Statewide Coordination

Conduct statewide planning with Troop Commander’s conference calls and informal meetings held between all local county EOC offices with the appropriate SHP supervisors to ensure an open line of communication and updated contact lists and to address any operational concerns
Personnel Staffing and Scheduling

☑ Supervisor coverage
☑ Interstate coverage
☑ Meeting the needs and requirements of special geographical areas
☑ Staffing State EOC, 24 Hour Coverage with 12 hour shifts
Pre-Storm Planning

✓ Motor Carrier Enforcement coordination for CMV hours of services and weight exemptions (Disseminate Executive Orders)
✓ Available aircraft operational and ready
✓ Uniformed highway personnel to staff the State EOC are trained and ready
✓ Computers and associated equipment in the SHP Section of the State EOC is tested, operational, and ready
Pre-Storm Planning

✓ Instructional memorandums prepared and squad forms prepared for use in deploying SHP personnel and activated Signal 11 (stand-by squads)

✓ Bottled water and MREs on hand and ready for dissemination to storm-affected areas by the Highway Patrol Support Services Section

✓ Cancel non-essential training and meetings
Pre-Storm Planning

- 4-wheel drive vehicles identified / located in Each Troop with additional 4-wheel drive vehicles being issued in coastal regions of Troops A and B and western North Carolina counties in Troops F and G
- Motel accommodations to be utilized by out-of-county/Troop personnel deployed to potential storm affected areas
- Informal meetings held between all local county EOC offices with the appropriate SHP supervisors to ensure an open line of communication and to update contact lists and address any operational concerns
Pre-Storm Planning

✓ All SHP generators checked and operational
✓ Forward staging of Patrol personnel at Training Academy
✓ Identify and obtain on-call supervisor’s contact information for North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) in each county
✓ Coordinate with NCDOT (forward staging of 4-wheel drive vehicles, salt and sand, and barricades for lane closures in high risk areas)
✓ Survey fuel levels in each Troop/District office (goal-full capacity prior to storm)
Pre-Storm Planning

- Request IMAP units from Department of Transportation (NCDOT) to assist with evacuation route patrols along I-40, US-64, US-264, and US-70
- Traffic control during the pre-storm evacuations and post storm re-entry at the request of the Department of Transportation (NCDOT) at all Ferry Divisions
- All available SHP personnel assigned to impacted area to assist with traffic direction, emergency search/rescue, looting prevention, and various local emergency requests in all storm affected counties
SHP Aviation Unit

✓ Pre-flight preparations for deployments
✓ Survey evacuation routes Pre-Event
✓ Survey impacted areas/rescue missions Post-Event
✓ Determine the status of potential hazard, public health, medical response needs, public utilities, basic quality of life, and emergency vehicle access to impacted areas
POST EVENT RECOVERY

NORTH CAROLINA HELICOPTER AND AQUATIC RESCUE TEAM

✓ Highly specialized team consisting of North Carolina National Guard and North Carolina State Highway Patrol air assets matched with North Carolina Emergency Management and local emergency services personnel that form a mission ready package for helicopter based rescues.
Communications

- VIPER
- Mobile Command Bus
- Mobile Towers
- Communications Centers
- Cache of Radios
HAZARDOUS MATERIAL UNIT

- SHP Point of Contact is First Sergeant R. L. Reynolds
  (919) 319-1523
- Located in Special Operations Section, in Cary, NC
- Support and assist with emergency escorts for Strategic National Stockpile (SNS)
- Lead official to receive advance notification of transportation of certain shipments of nuclear waste and spent fuel through the State of North Carolina
- HAZMAT Unit personnel travel with shipments on state maintained highways (Security Purposes)
NORTH CAROLINA’S INFORMATION SHARING AND ANALYSIS CENTER, OR NC ISAAC

✓ Statewide partnership of local and federal officials to fight terrorism and crime

✓ SHP Point of Contact is Captain S. M. Briggs

(888) NC ISAAC or (888) 624-7222

email NCISAAC@ncdoj.gov

✓ Located in Federal Building, in Raleigh
Personnel Deployment

✓ “The Mission of the North Carolina State Highway Patrol is to ensure safe, efficient transportation on our streets and highways, reduce crime, protect against terrorism, and respond to natural and manmade disasters. This mission will be accomplished in partnership with all levels of government and the public, through quality law enforcement services and education based upon high ethical, professional, and legal standards.”

✓ Local State Highway Patrol Troopers are supporting local communities in all storm affected areas across the state
QUESTIONS?