

DDC Operations and IMT Integration

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General Concepts

- Disaster District emergency operations are intended to support the local response; DDCs exist to support local ICPs and EOCs
- The Disaster District EOC serves as a nucleus of incident information and resource coordination



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Key Activities

- Validate & process resource requests to the SOC
- Provide info to/receive info from the SOC
- DDC members and partner agency reps coordinate with their respective agencies (at home/SOC/other DDCs)
- Monitor/track all assigned State resources



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Explanation of Activations

- DDC Chairs (or their designee, i.e. the DC) may activate the DDC, partner agency reps and support staff
- No “one size fits all”
 - Will vary depending on the incident type & need
 - Personnel, facilities and other resources may be deployed on a graduated basis



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Explanation of Activations

- Activations of multiple local EOCs will most likely trigger a DDC activation (*to some extent*)
- Four different levels of DDC activation:

Example

Level 4: Normal Conditions	<i>daily operations</i>
Level 3: Increased Readiness	<i>severe weather approaching our area</i>
Level 2: Escalated Response	<i>Bush Presidential Center dedication</i>
Level 1: Emergency	<i>major hurricane landfall on Texas coast</i>



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Emergency Notification

Activation message should include:

- ✓ Incident brief (reason for activation)
- ✓ Level of activation (personnel being activated)
- ✓ Posture (reporting location)
- ✓ Anticipated length of deployment
- ✓ Any other special message



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Reporting for Duty



- Gather necessary details & supplies/reference materials
- Notify home agency and supervisor
- **ALWAYS** check-in
- Report to incident supervisor; clarify job assignment



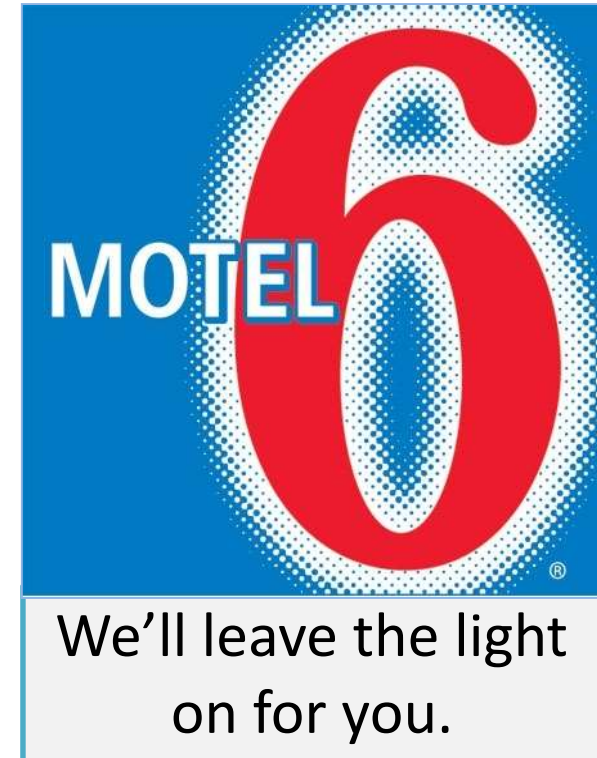
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Working in the EOC

- **Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)**
 - Laptop
 - Cell phone
 - Internet / Email

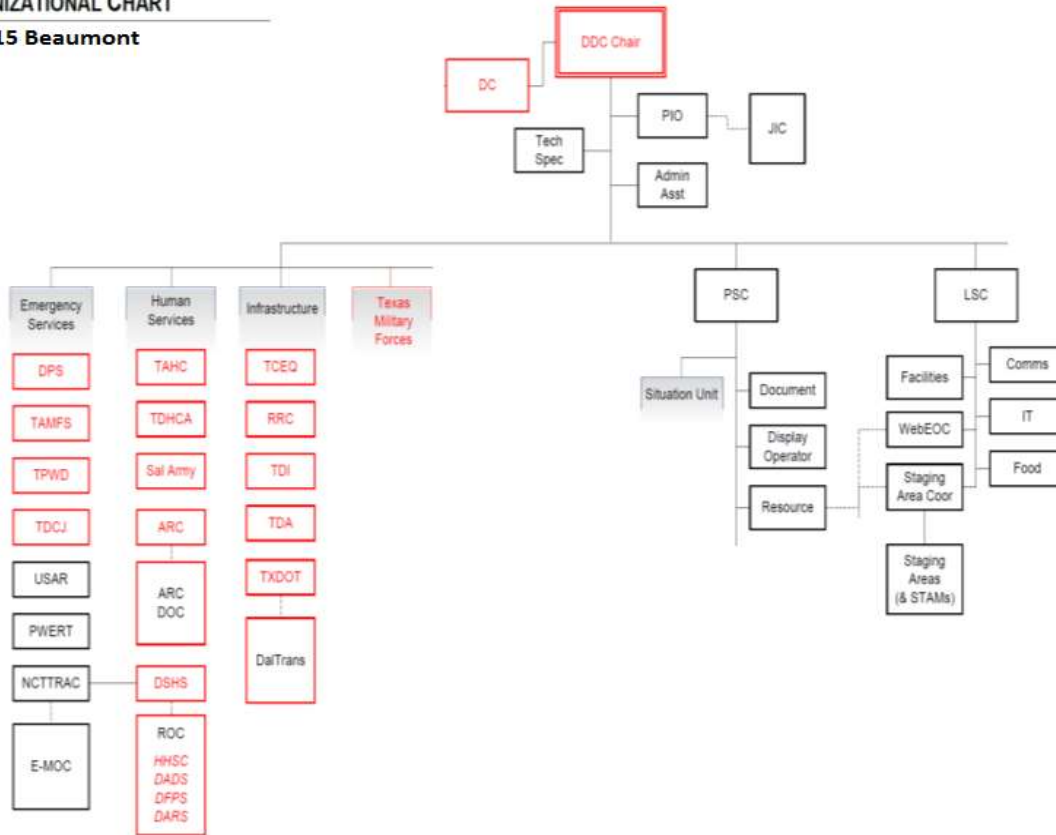
- Be self-sustaining
 - Food
 - Housing

- Come over any time to test equipment



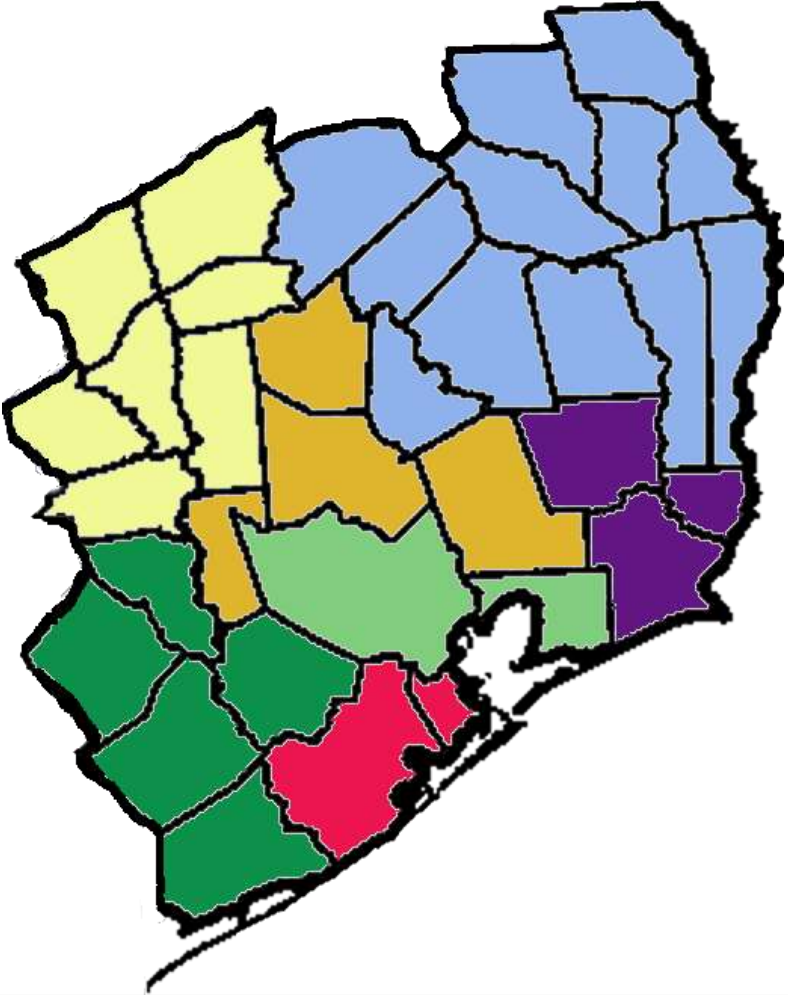
Organizational charts are subject to change, and are largely dependent on the nature of the incident and its required response.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART
DDC 15 Beaumont



DDC Battle Rhythm

A.M. Shift	
Time	Task
0700-0900	Start/End 12 hour shift – 0700-1900
0930	Local NWS receives National Hurricane Center information
1000	“District” Conference Calls – Each District NWS/Locals/DDC-DC has a conference call (approximately 15-20 minutes)
1030	“CAN” report preparation by DC and email to SC
1100	Local jurisdictions situation reports due to DDC
1200	Statewide Conference Call
1300	District/Regional Situation Reports due to SOC
1400	
1530	Local NWS receives National Hurricane Center information
1600	“District” Conference Calls – Each District NWS/Locals/DDC-DC has a conference call (approximately 15-20 minutes)
1630	“CAN” report preparation by DC and email to SC
P.M. Shift	
Time	Task
1700	
1800	Statewide Conference Call
1900	Star/End 12 hour shift – 1900-0700
2000	
2100	
2130	Local NWS receives National Hurricane Center information
2200	Local jurisdictions Situation Reports due to DDC
2230	“CAN” report preparation by DC and email to SC
2300	
2400	Statewide Conference Call
0100	
0200	District/Regional Situation Reports due to SOC
0300	
0330	Local NWS receives National Hurricane Center information
0400	“District” Conference Calls – Each District NWS/Locals/DDC-DC has a conference call (approximately 15-20 minutes)
0430	“CAN” report preparation by DC and email to SC





Texas A&M Forest Service

Coordinates Forest Service support for the event or incident during a DDC activation.

General Responsibilities

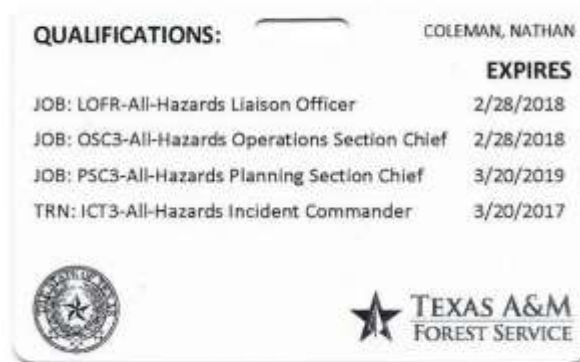
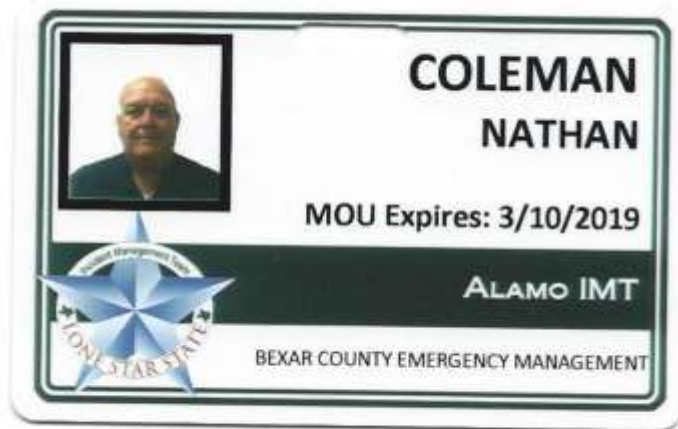
- ❑ Coordinate and support firefighting, Incident Management Team (IMT) support communications and plans support.
- ❑ Assist to facilitate DDC/EOC meetings if requested by DDC Chairperson.



Type III IMT Considerations

Type III IMTs work under Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS).

Type III IMTs (Incident Management Teams) work under the direction of Texas A&M Forest Service and are activated at the request of a DDC Chairperson in order to assist the DDC/EOC and or local jurisdictions as needed.



The DDC chairperson can also request a single resource or several single resources, from each section. For instance:

- **Plans** (can provide check in/check out, develop situation reports and track resources assigned to the DDC/EOC)
 - 1 Plans Section Chief
 - 2 Resource Unit Leaders
 - 1 Status Check in Recorder
 - 1 Situation Unit Leader

- **Staging Area Only** (number of single resources needed for the staging area will be based on type and number of resources to be staged)
 - 1 Operations Section Chief
 - 2 Staging Area Managers
 - 1 Resource Manager



IMT: Plans Section Coordinator (PSC)

Staffs and manages the Plans Section during DDC/EOC activation.



- Create schedules of documentation submission and for DDC/EOC operations.
- Consult with the DDC Chairperson on establishing meetings/briefings schedules for DDC/EOC operations.
- Oversee all incident-related data gathering and analysis regarding assigned resources.
- Maintain communication with Logistics Section Coordinator and Operations Section Coordinator to ensure the accurate tracking of personnel and resources.



IMT: State and Federal Staging Area Ford Park 5115 IH 10 South, Beaumont, Tx

DDC Staging Area Responsibilities:

- Establish and maintain resource check-in at staging for the DDC
- Track the receipt, assignment, and return of all equipment ordered by the DDC
- Operate DDC Staging Sites as directed



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