



Directive 13.3 Annex 4 **EMERGENCY FLOOD PLAN**

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I. REFERENCE

Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) – Flood Operations Plan
Accreditation (CALEA) Chapter 46
Police Directive 13.1B - Wind and Water

II. RESPONSIBILITY

The Patrol Operations Bureau (POB) commander has primary responsibility for implementing the provisions of this annex. The Department's main responsibilities involve protecting life and property, continuing law enforcement, traffic control, security of flood sites and shelter areas, and conducting evacuation operations (in conjunction with the Fire Department).

III. FLOOD WARNING CAPABILITIES

Usually, there will be periods of heavy rain and threatening weather conditions prior to flooding. This period will serve as advance warning and will permit precautionary actions to be taken to protect life and property.

Weather forecasts and advanced flood warnings will be received via the National Weather Service, the WAWAS telephone network, commercial radio and television stations and the NOAA weather radio.

During flood watch conditions the Police Department and T&ES Department will maintain surveillance of City waterways at flood monitoring points (see attachment 1).

During flood watch conditions or whenever any conditions indicate that flooding may occur or is occurring the Watch Commander will notify:

- Department Officials including the PIO
- City Officials including the on-duty Emergency Manager
- T&ES – 703-746-4488
- General Services: business hours (703-746-4770) and after hours ([REDACTED]).

IV. DEPARTMENT ACTIONS

When it is apparent flooding could occur the Watch Commander must understand that conditions can change rapidly overwhelming normal resources. The Watch Commander will consider the following:

- Response to flooding is resource intensive; there could be a need for additional command, supervisory and line personnel. The Watch Commander should consider this early in the event and respond aggressively calling in personnel and suspending non-critical functions, when necessary.
- Prioritization of law enforcement needs: traffic control, security of flood sites and shelter areas, evacuation activities
- The supportive needs and assistance that may be required by T&ES in flood management
- Assign a liaison to the EOC, if opening.
- The point at which ICS may need to be invoked
- Assigning a supervisor to each area affected by the flooding and have them periodically account for their staffing
- Ensure Police monitoring of flooding points and water level gauges until T&ES staff can take over. Reporting observations to T&ES and the on-duty Emergency Manager.
- Advising residents and businesses of impending or actual localized flooding hazards, as necessary
- Consider evacuating people and vehicles from areas subject to flooding
- Provide police mobile command unit for on-scene command post, if needed
- Consider the number of possible operational periods the event could last (for scheduling lodging, and food requirements for police staff)
- Be aware of the level of the Lake Barcroft Dam owner/operator spillway release. At 35% opening, there is an additional threat of flooding.

- Ensure staff policy compliance against entering and/or driving through standing and moving water (Police Directive 13.1B - Wind and Water)
- When flooding concerns ease and/or flood waters recede, in consultation with the on-duty Emergency Manager, begin the process of returning to normal schedules and staffing levels.

ATTACHMENT A

MONITORING AND GAUGE LOCATIONS

Visual Flood Monitoring Locations:

Primary:

2900 Block Eisenhower Avenue (Rear of Avalon Bay Office Building)
5500 Block Eisenhower Avenue (At Ripley foot bridge – north side)
The Holmes Run Bike Path (West of the railroad bridge)
6207 Holmes Run Parkway (Rear of the house)

Secondary:

4100 Block of Eisenhower Avenue (North of the Animal Shelter)
Beauregard at the Holmes Run Bridge (Near North Morgan Street)
600 Block of South Pickett Street (Rear of buildings)
Mount Vernon Avenue at Four Mile Bridge

Flood Gauge Locations:

Torpedo Factory/City Marina
Holmes Run at Van Dorn Street
Four Mile Run
Cameron Run
Mount Vernon Avenue Bridge
Thompson's Alley
The Dandy Dock