

EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION (ESF) #8-1
AMBULANCE OPERATIONS

I. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this annex is to integrate the services of the Meramec Ambulance District's (MAD) response resources and establish the procedures that will enable these resources to meet the demands of a disaster situation impacting the City of Pacific.

II. SITUATION AND ASSUMPTIONS

A. Situation:

1. The City of Pacific is vulnerable to many types of hazards that will require the response of the Meramec Ambulance District (See Basic Plan, Section 2.)
2. The Meramec Ambulance District will play a significant role in any type of emergency operations within the City of Pacific.
3. The Meramec Ambulance District responds to emergency situations on a daily basis and has adequate personnel and equipment to respond to everyday emergency situations.
4. The Meramec Ambulance District is based at 3279 Hwy 100 Villa Ridge, Mo. 63089. It has four (4) HOUSEs including a facility which directly services the City of Pacific located at 429 E Osage St., Pacific, MO 63069. This House is staffed 24x7x365 including Paramedics.
5. MAD is dispatched through the Central County Emergency 9-1-1 PSAP, Ellisville, MO.
6. Following a large-scale disaster, the capabilities of the Meramec Ambulance District to respond to the event may be exceeded very quickly; requiring additional assistance from outside agencies.
7. The Meramec Ambulance District subscribes to the statewide mutual aid agreement.

B. Assumptions

1. Existing MAD personnel and equipment should be adequate to deal with most emergency situations through current mutual aid agreements and existing personnel and equipment.
2. City of Pacific departments and agencies will support emergency operations when requested and available.
3. Additional resources will be available to the Meramec Ambulance District should their capabilities be exceeded.
4. Private organizations will assist the Meramec Ambulance District when requested.
5. Should evacuation operations be required, there will be sufficient personnel to support law enforcement and fire personnel to accomplish this task.
6. The Pacific Police Department will have adequate communications equipment and resources to support coordinated emergency operations.

III. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

- A. The primary function of the ambulance district mirrors the day-to-day mission of the Meramec Ambulance District; which is to be ready to meet the prehospital needs of the community
- B. The Ambulance Chief, or their designee, will direct agencies response operations from the EOC. They will coordinate the response efforts of all ambulance organizations involved and will keep the Direction and Control Staff advised of its operations.
- C. Ambulance personnel and equipment will be deployed to the location of greatest need as determined by the Direction and Control Staff (which includes the Battalion Chief).
- D. The ambulance district utilizes the National Incident Management System during all response operations.
- E. The ambulance district provides support as requested by other agencies or jurisdictions as long as it does not affect the Meramec Ambulance District's capability.

F. Mutual aid agreements will be utilized when necessary.

G. All operational information during an emergency or disaster, in which the EOC has been activated or requested by the City of Pacific, will be documented by the Meramec Ambulance District for each operational period and submitted to the EOC for recording. This documentation includes, but is not limited to; all Incident Action Plans, personnel/team unit logs (ICS 214's), any press release information released at the scene, injury reports, damage assessment reports, etcetera.

IV. ORGANIZATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Meramec Ambulance District functional diagram is located in Appendix 1 of this Annex.
2. The Meramec Ambulance District has the responsibility for providing emergency medical services within the City of Pacific. However, the City of Pacific has the ultimate responsibility for all emergency response and recovery operations within the City.
3. The Chief for the Meramec Ambulance District is responsible for the following:
 - a. Preparation of mutual aid agreements with ambulance services from neighboring jurisdictions and the Missouri State Mutual Aid Program.
 - b. Training medical personnel, including volunteers, on the tasks they will be required to perform during and following an emergency.
 - c. Support cleanup and recovery operations.
 - d. Maintain personnel call-up lists and develop the means to implement these lists (see Appendix 3 to this Annex).
 - e. Assist in the dissemination of warnings to the public as necessary.
 - f. Assist in providing medical assistance to disaster victims and workers.
 - g. Assist law enforcement with evacuation operations, as necessary.
 - h. Advise Direction and Control on matters relating to ambulance operations.

V. DIRECTION AND CONTROL

- A. The Chief of the Meramec Ambulance District, or his delegate, will be responsible for controlling Ambulance operations within the City of Pacific.
- B. Operations will be commanded by the senior, most qualified person at the scene and/or from the EOC being used.
- C. Routine operations will be handled by normal standard operating guidelines (SOG's).

VI. CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT

The line of succession for the Ambulance District Function is as set forth in the Meramec Ambulance District's Policies and Procedures:

- A. Chief
- B. Battalion Chief
- C. Captain/Acting Captain

VII. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. Administration:

- 1. Procedures for dealing with expenses incurred and liability for actions and injuries are outlined in mutual aid agreements, state laws, and local ordinances.
- 2. Reports and records will be developed and maintained in accordance with established procedures.
- 3. All incident reports and documentation for large-scale emergencies or disasters will be submitted to the EOC for recording.

B. Logistics:

- 1. Ambulance District must provide necessary logistical support for food, emergency power, fuel, etc., for response personnel during emergency operations. If the EOC has been activated, however, the Resources and Supply Section (ESF#7) will be available to assist with supply matters.
- 2. Stockpiles of essential materials, supplies, and resource lists must be

checked and updated at least twice a year.

3. In a declared emergency, normal procurement procedures can be waived in accordance with local statutes and ordinances.
4. All requests for additional resources, outside of normal mutual aid agreements, will be submitted for review and approval to the Resource and Supply Section as outlined in Annex G of this plan.

VIII. PLAN DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE

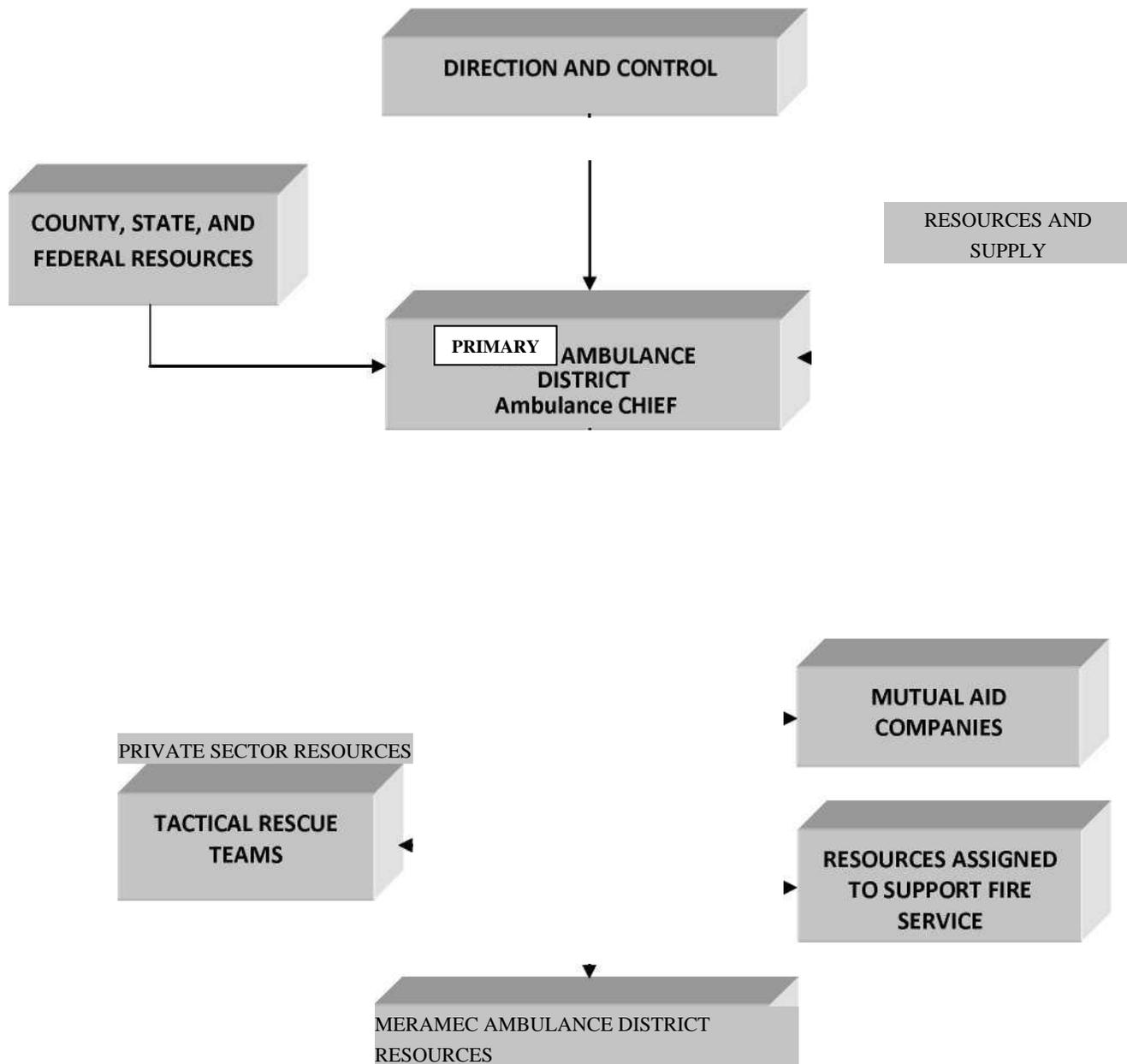
This annex will be updated by the City of Pacific Emergency Management Coordinator, with the input and assistance of the Meramec Ambulance District Chief. This plan will be updated on an annual basis, or following a training exercise or event that warrants this plan being updated in order to improve response and recovery operations. All updates or changes will need to be recorded at the beginning of this document and officially approved.

APPENDICES

1. Meramec Ambulance District Functional Diagram
2. Meramec Ambulance District HOUSE Locations
3. Meramec Ambulance District Call-up List

APPENDIX 1 TO ESF#8-1

**MERAMEC AMBULANCE DISTRICT
FUNCTIONAL DIAGRAM**



APPENDIX 2 TO ESF#8-1

MERAMEC AMBULANCE DISTRICT HOUSE LOCATIONS

HOUSE #1	429 E Osage St., Pacific, MO 63069
HOUSE #2	Headquarters and Administration 3279 Hwy 100, Villa Ridge, MO 63089
HOUSE #3	7390 Hwy O, Robertsville, MO 63072
HOUSE #4	385 Old Manchester Rd., Pacific, MO 63069

ATTACHMENT A TO APPENDIX 2 TO ESF#8-1

**FRANKLIN COUNTY AMBULANCE AGENCIES AVAILABLE FOR
MUTUAL AID ASSISTANCE**

- > St. Clair Ambulance District
- > Meramec Ambulance District
- > Washington Area Ambulance District
- > Gerald Ambulance District
- > New Haven Ambulance District

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MERAMEC AMBULANCE DISTRICT CALL UP LIST

Meramec Ambulance District utilizes EMS Scheduling software that is always up to date with current employee contact information and has the ability to send a message via text or email to one or more employee.