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To: Justice Committee

From: Captain Shane Cook, John Dwyer

Subject: EMA April Monthly Report

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Summary

The monthly IEMA and local emergency radio tests were conducted. Siren tests were conducted. The EMA liaison group met this month; some of the topics discussed were severe weather procedures and summer events. EMA attended the monthly Fire Chief's Association meeting. Coordinator spoke at the Fisher Village Board Meeting at the request by Fisher Village President to speak on the importance of radio communications for spotters. CCEMA hosted the command post for the Illini Marathon activities on April 25th and 26th. CCEMA actively monitored developing severe weather situations on April 2nd and 28th. CCEMA responded with the mobile command post to a barricaded subject in Urbana on April 17th. Local and social media were kept up to date with multiple daily postings. A regular Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting was held with the on April 29th to discuss hazardous materials information for Champaign County. CCEMA also was notified of the award for \$22,722 grant from Americares for personnel and resource tracking software and equipment for use in significant incident/disasters and during recovery efforts.

Training Events

- Hosted Area Weather Spotters Meeting—April 9th
- Hosted Search and Rescue Meeting/training- April 15th (Training was highlighted in the News Gazette)
- Attended Willard Airport Table-top exercise—April 16th
- Deputy Coordinator attended the Midwestern Hazardous Materials Conference in Rockford, Il-April 16th-17th

Community Outreach

- Met with Urbana Park District operations discussed severe weather notification process and inclusion in CCEMA weather alerts—April 7th
- Met with representatives of the Illinois Food Bank for disaster planning—April 10th
- Guest speaker for the Central Illinois Municipal Officers Association (CIMOA) meeting in Arthur--April 17th

- Disaster Preparedness Speaker for the Village of St. Joseph--April 24th

Volunteer hours

- Over 40 total hours dedicated of volunteer member's time for the following activities: Facebook, SAR preparations/events, emergency planning and Public Information support.

Gifford Tornado Response and Recovery Effort

- Met with the Gifford Long Range Recovery Planning Committee--April 3rd
- Sent out notifications of eligible jurisdiction for IEMA Recovery Grant—April 25th

Upcoming Events of Note

- Future LEPC Meeting Dates for 2014: Apr 29th, Jul 29th, Oct 28th County Search and Rescue Team Meetings for 2014--3rd Tuesday of the month
- Regional Emergency Coordination Group (RECG) Meetings: May 20th, Aug 19th, Nov 18th
- Courthouse Safety and Security Meeting—May 28th at 12:00
- Champaign County Search and Rescue Team field exercise—June 14th
- West Campus Safety and Security Committee Meeting June 18th at 1:30