

B-5-b and the Emergency Management Assistance Compact

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What is EMAC?

EMAC, is a national Governor's interstate mutual aid compact that facilitates the sharing of resources, personnel and equipment across state lines during times of disaster and emergency.

EMAC is formalized into law by member parties.

EMAC Mission

Facilitate the efficient and effective sharing of resources between member states during times of disaster or emergency.

EMAC Vision

The use of EMAC will become institutionalized and automatic within the emergency management community and the various emergency support functions.

EMAC History

- **1992** - Concept of Emergency Management Compact Conceived by Southern US Governors
- **1993** - Adopted as Southern Regional Emergency Management Assistance Compact
- **1995** – Agreement broadened to EMAC
 - NEMA became administrator
- **1996** – Endorsed by National Governor's Association & FEMA for Nationwide Use
- **1996** - Ratified by US Congress and Signed into Law (PL 104-321)

EMAC Members

- 50 states,
- the District of Columbia,
- Puerto Rico and the
- U.S. Virgin Islands have enacted EMAC legislation.

What does EMAC do?

EMAC does:

- Maximizes use of all available resources
- Coordinates deployment of EMAC resources with National Response Plan resources
- Expedites and streamlines delivery of assistance between member states
- Protects state sovereignty
- Provides management and oversight

EMAC does NOT:

- Replace federal support
- Alter operational direction and control
- Move resources from county to county, city to city, or locality to locality. All EMAC resources must be from state to state. County, local, and other personnel/resources must work through the state emergency management office
- Endorse self-deployments

EMAC Key Provisions

- “...the state rendering aid may withhold resources to the extent necessary to provide reasonable protection for such state.”
- “...licenses, certificates, or other permits...shall be deemed licensed, certified, or permitted by the state requesting assistance.”

EMAC Key Provisions

- “Employees . . . rendering aid . . . shall be considered agents of the requesting state for tort liability and immunity purposes”
- “. . . any party state rendering aid . . . shall be reimbursed by the party state receiving aid for any loss or damage to or expense incurred . . .” (*requesting state*)

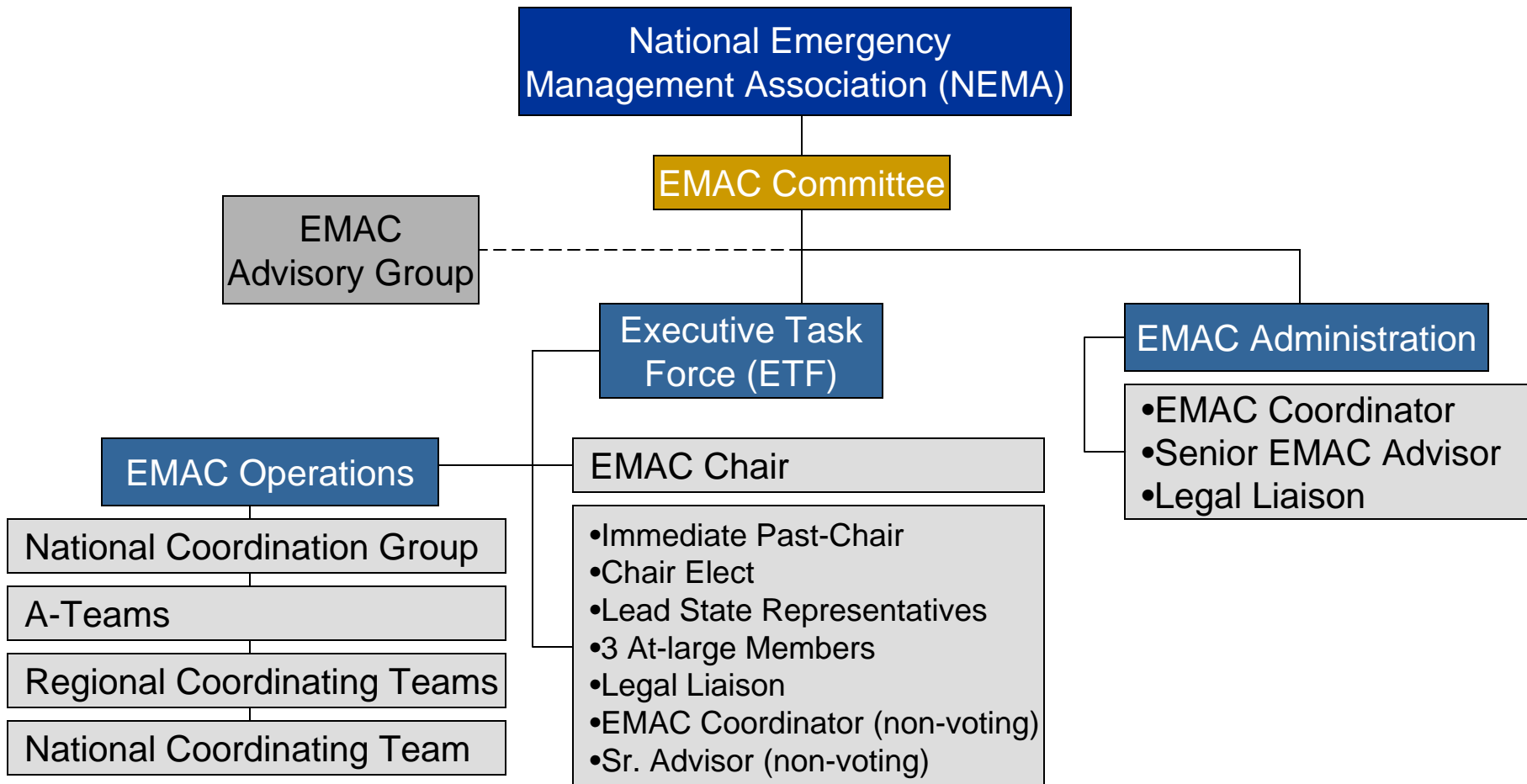
Member State Responsibilities

- Educate Emergency Staff & State Agencies on the EMAC Process
- Train A-Team Members on EMAC Operations
- Develop and Maintain Procedures for A-Team Activation
- Develop and Maintain Procedures for Requesting/Providing Assistance
- Evaluate Procedures Through Exercises

EMAC Effectiveness

- Administrative Oversight and Support Staff
 - Formal Business Protocols
- Solves Problems Upfront – Provisions in Compact's Language
 - Reimbursement, Licensure, Liability
- Continuity of Operations
 - Standard Operating Procedures
- Continual Improvement – 5 year Strategic Plan
 - Critiques/Training/Exercises/Meetings
- Customized Technology Development
- Active membership

EMAC Governance Structure



EMAC Advisory Group

- Adjutants General Association, NGB
- American Public Works Association
- Assoc. of State & Territorial Health Officer
- IAEM
- IAFC, Major Cities Chiefs Assoc.
- Intl City/County Mngt. Assoc,
- Nat. Assoc. of Counties
- Nat. Sheriffs' Assoc
- Nat. Governors' Assoc.
- DHS/FEMA
- CDC

EMAC Applications

- State/Local EOC Support
 - Damage assessment
 - Disaster recovery
 - Logistics
 - Donations management
 - Security
 - Communications
 - Fire fighting
 - Aviation support
 - Biological/chemical events
 - Medical personnel/resources
- Hazard mitigation
 - Community outreach
 - Search and rescue
 - Debris clearance
 - Information & planning
 - Public Health
 - Hazardous materials
 - Human services/mass care
 - Animal control
 - Information/planning
 - Terrorist events

any capability of member states can be shared with member states

Total EMAC Response

Current 5/24/2006

Total Estimated EMAC Response to Hurricanes Katrina and Rita (Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Texas, NCT, and RCT):

65,929 Personnel Deployed*

19,426 Civilian

46,503 National Guard

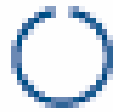
\$830 M Estimated Cost*

*Notes: Not audited. All events are still "open" for editing by impacted states.

EMAC Activation (simplified)



Disaster occurs, Governor declares state of emergency



State emergency management agency assesses needs

A-Teams

Resources needed



Resources are Requested via the EMAC system

A-Teams

Cost estimates



Assisting States Provide Resources
Reimbursement

Constellation B-5-b Planning

- Reviewed LOAs
- Identify deployable state resources
- MEMAC coordinates between counties

Constellation 5-b-5 Planning

- EMAC filled these gaps:
 - High Volume Solutions of Foam
 - 2000 GPM Transportable Pump
 - Reflective Suits
- Remember, EMAC can be used to fill resource gaps

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