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Subject: Updated Statewide Fire and Emergency Medical Services Mobilization Plan

Greetings,

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), the Department of Fire Services (DFS) and the Statewide Fire Mobilization Committee is pleased to announce that the Statewide Fire and EMS Mobilization Plan has been updated and is posted to the MEMA website. In 2019, MEMA engaged the Boston-based management consulting firm The Ripples Group to collect and synthesize stakeholder input to revise the Plan. This Plan facilitates the systematic mobilization, deployment, organization, and management of fire service and EMS resources to assist local agencies in a major fire, disaster or other emergency.

This project relied heavily on input from key stakeholders including, but not limited to, local fire and EMS leadership, including MEMA, DFS, MA Department of Conservation and Recreation, MA Department of Public Health, Fire Chiefs Association of Massachusetts, and the MA Statewide Fire and EMS Mobilization Committee. Through a comprehensive review and analysis of national mutual aid systems, local lessons learned, and best practices, the goal was to update the Statewide Fire and EMS Mobilization Plan based on these findings. We thank you for your input and feedback in support of this important work.


This is an exciting announcement where we have an enhanced and improved Statewide Fire and EMS Mobilization Plan for the Commonwealth. DFS is currently working to design, develop and implement a Fire and EMS Mobilization training and exercise program. Additional details to be announced soon.


The updated Statewide Fire and EMS Mobilization Plan can be found here:

<https://www.mass.gov/service-details/statewide-fire-mobilization-plan>

Please contact Mike Russas (Michael.russas@mass.gov) with questions on the Mobilization Plan, or Dave Clemons (david.clemons@mass.gov) with questions on the Mobilization training and exercise initiatives.

Sincerely,


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