

## **CENTRAL CITY FLOOD SCENARIO**

### **Unit 7: Demobilization, Transfer of Command, Closeout, & Transition to Recovery Student Version**

#### **Objective:**

To identify demobilization considerations, given the threaded scenario.

#### **Instructions:**

Ask the students to work in groups to complete the following activity:

1. Review the information you developed in the previous activities, the scenario update and the 5 elements of a Demobilization Plan.
2. Write 5 considerations for demobilization for your scenario on an easel chart.
3. Based on your scenario, are there any unique demobilization release priorities?
4. Select a spokesperson and be prepared to present your work in 15 minutes.

**Scenario Update:**

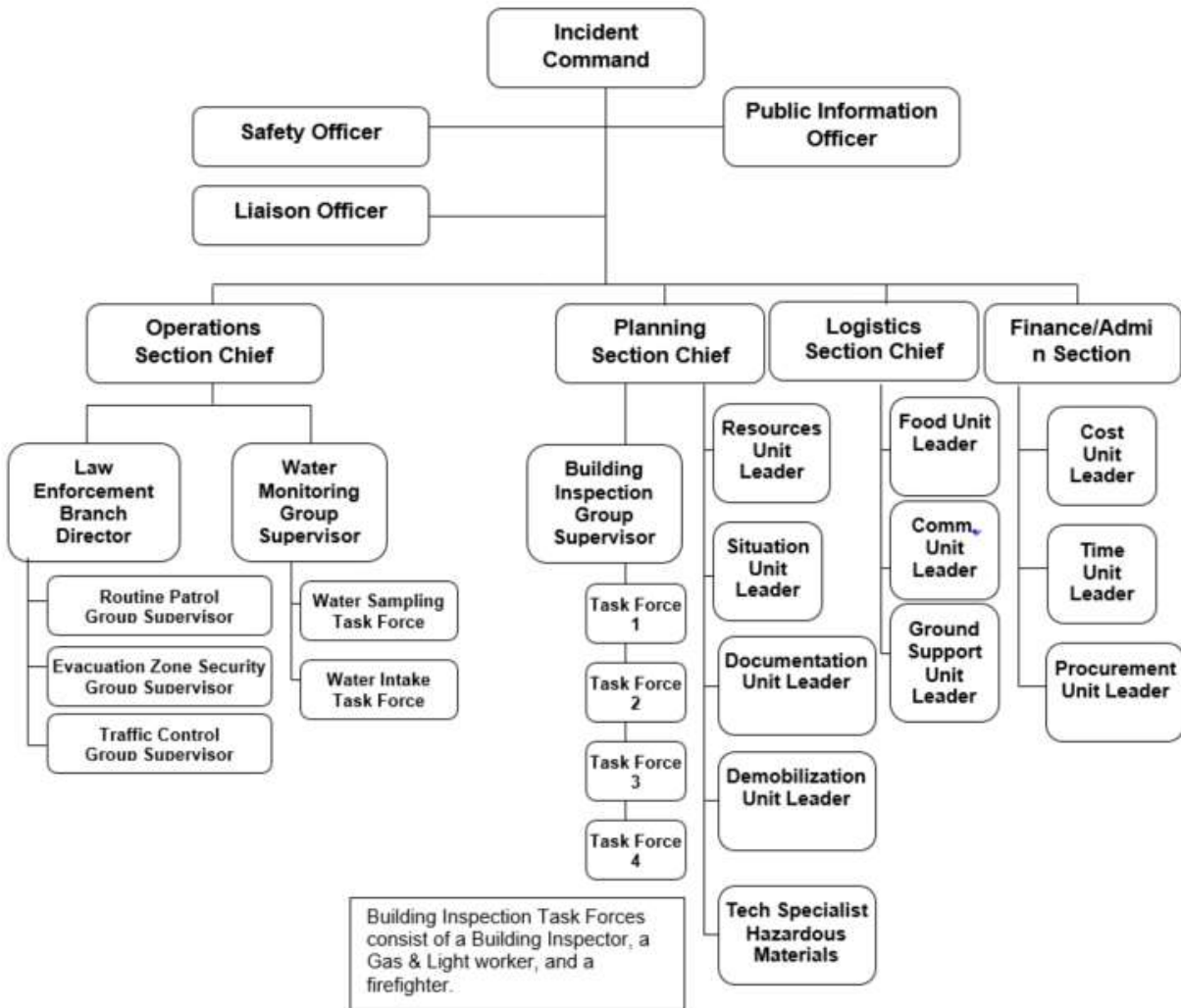
- It is now August 7th, at 0700 hours, 2 days after the river has crested. The river levels are steadily receding and residential property owners are anxious and attempting to return to their properties.
- City officials have asked the City Building Inspection Department to inspect evacuated homes for safety and structural integrity before allowing residents to move back in.
- Crews from the Central City Utilities are assisting City Building Inspection crews.
- The bridges remains closed to traffic pending a complete inspection by Highway Engineers. The State Department of Transportation is doing a thorough inspection bridges.
- Drinking water qualities are being monitored and cleanup and damage assessment activities are beginning.
- The American Red Cross and Salvation Army report very few evacuees remain in their shelters and will be closing their shelters on August 8th. They will continue to provide meals for disaster workers and displaced residents.
- Representatives from State Emergency Management is beginning the damage assessment process to determine whether there is a need to request a Presidential Disaster Declaration for the State of Columbia.
- Liberty County Health Department personnel, along with representatives from the State Health Departments, are monitoring the water intakes and the city drinking water for any signs of contamination. Nothing significant has been noted so far. The County Health Department is also monitoring private wells in the area north of the city as requested by the landowners.
- The Old Soldier Nursing Home reports that water has receded from their building and they are beginning cleanup procedures. They expect to finish their cleanup, including mandatory inspections by the State Health Department, within a week to 10 days.
- Because the activities are shifting from response to recovery, the mayor of Central City has asked the IC to prepare to demobilize and transfer command of the incident to a Unified Command consisting of Emergency Management, the Health Department, and the Central City Department of Public Works.
- The newly formed Unified Command will focus on restoring essential services, providing a safe re-entry for displaced residents, and completing a thorough damage assessment.
- The transfer of command will take place at 1800 hours on August 7th.

**New Incident Objectives:**

Incident Command determined that the incident priorities will now be restructured to focus on restoration of services, re-entry, and recovery rather than response. The incident objectives include:

- Publish information regarding hazards and how to avoid them for the returning evacuees by 0700 on August 8th.
- Conduct water sampling to determine the extent of chemical contamination. The target completion for all samples is within 48 hours.
- Begin conducting inspections by 0700 on August 8th to ensure the structural integrity and safety of buildings affected by the flood. All inspections must be completed before evacuees are allowed to return home.
- Develop and implement a demobilization plan to ensure that surplus personnel and equipment are released in a timely manner.

**Current Organizational Chart:**



**Your Notes:**