

CONSOLIDATED DIKING DISTRICT NO. 1

OF

WAHAKIACUM COUNTY

ALL HAZARD PLAN FOR PUGET ISLAND

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this plan is to establish and guide Diking District 1 of Wahkiakum County in the functions and responsibilities to protect lives, property, and the environment in the event of a natural or technological disaster. This plan is intended as a comprehensive framework for countywide mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery activities.

II. SCOPE

The Diking District 1 All Hazards Plan for Puget Island is a comprehensive plan that is promulgated by the Diking District 1 Commissioners and applies to all local public and private entities and organizations participating and included in the plan.

The plan considers the emergencies and disasters likely to occur within the Diking District, and provides:

1. A comprehensive and general framework for coordinated use of government, private sector, and volunteer resources.
2. An outline of other participants' responsibilities in emergency management activities as agreed upon by the participating agencies and organizations.

III. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CONCEPTS

1. In the event of or imminent threat of an emergency/disaster the chain of command for Incident Command will be Diking Commissioners, Puget Island Fire Chief, Public Works Director, or Sheriff, using that agency's established guidelines and the SOP's of that agency. The Incident Commander will assess the situation, mobilize and coordinate additional resources and take all necessary actions to protect lives, property, and the environment.
2. In the event the emergency/disaster exceeds the capabilities or exhausts resources the ICS Commander will notify the county DEM and request assistance from the county.

IV. DIRECTION AND CONTROL

1. **The Incident Command System (ICS)** is the basis for all direction, control and coordination of emergency response and recovery efforts conducted under this plan. The local Incident Commander assumes leadership until such time as the incident grows beyond the control of this individual, or the control of the incident is assumed by another agency. At this time a Mission Number should be requested from State EMD.
2. **The Command Post** will be located at the Puget Island Fire station. If needed the Wahkiakum County EOC may be activated upon request of the Diking District Commissioners to the County DEM or County Commissioners.
3. **Residents of Puget Island** will be allowed access to the Island during an emergency/disaster if deemed safe to do so by the ICS Commander.
4. **Communications** will be handled by the Puget Island Fire Department. There are eight portable radios available. The initial warning for evacuation of the island will be a siren at a steady wail for a minimum of 3 minutes. Further warning will be broadcast by the Sheriff's Department patrol vehicle public address systems and the EAS (Emergency Alert System). NOAA will also broadcast evacuation notices over the NOAA Weather Radios. The County EAS and NOAA Weather Radio alerts are activated through the county DEM or Sheriff Department Dispatch.

V. RESPONSIBILITIES

To identify agency and other participating organization responsibilities within the Diking District.

A. Diking District Commissioners will:

1. Request a Mission Number from state through the DEM or Sheriff's Dispatch at the onset of any response that will be responded to by volunteers to provide insurance coverage for any injuries or damage to private equipment.

B. Law Enforcement will:

1. The Wahkiakum County Sheriff's Department will provide traffic control and security.
2. Assist in receipt and dissemination of warning information to residents of Puget Island.
3. Assist with evacuation efforts.
4. Assist with search and rescue efforts.

C. Fire Department/ Fire Protection will:

1. Be responsible for fire suppression.
2. Assist emergency medical response support.
3. Assist in evacuation support.
4. Assist search and rescue efforts.
5. Handle communications.

D. Department of Emergency Management will:

1. Provide an Emergency Operations Center to coordinate operational response and recovery activities.
2. Advise and assist in the development of emergency/disaster planning and procedures.
3. Provide for the effective utilization of resources when the need has gone beyond the capabilities of the Diking District.
4. Assist with implementation of procedures to exercise the Diking District's All Hazard Plan.
5. Recruit, register and identify volunteers for disaster assignments.
6. Identify volunteers who suffer injury or equipment loss because of Emergency Services duty.
7. Establish and maintain training and public information programs.
8. Coordinate emergency and disaster information and resource assistance requests with State Emergency Management.

E. Portland District Corps of Engineers, to the extent allowed under Public Law 84-99 will:

1. Provide advisory technical assistance and training to county officials and flood fighting personnel as flood preparedness activities.
2. Annually inspect the flood protective works of Consolidated Diking District No. 1 of Wahkiakum County with representatives of the Diking District as a flood preparedness activity.
3. Coordinate with the national Weather Service, River Forecast Center on river conditions during periods of flood watches and warnings.
4. Coordinate activities with the Wahkiakum County Department of Emergency Management during periods of flooding and participate in the operation of the Wahkiakum County Emergency Operation Center (EOC) if flooding conditions in the county warrant.

5. Provide technical assistance and supplement the flood fight activities of Consolidated Diking District No. 1 of Wahkiakum County during periods of flooding.

6. Pursue Post Flood Rehabilitation of the flood protective works maintained and operated by Consolidated Diking District No. 1 of Wahkiakum County after flood events that cause major damage.

VI. IMPLEMENTATION BY PHASE

A. PREPAREDNESS

1. Planning

a. Local residents are encouraged to make their own relocation arrangements in advance for the housing, care and well-being of their own family and animals in the event of an evacuation.

2. Training

a. Residents can be quickly trained in sandbag operations. They will be the initial cadres in the sand bag effort. At such time that a CERT program is established a program for the training of residents will be accomplished.

b. Local residents will be trained in "dike patrol", what to look for and how to report a possible problem.

who does this?

B. RESPONSE

1. Emergency notification may be made to the Diking Commissioners first. After appraising the situation, they will initiate further notification, to include the Sheriff's Department in case an evacuation will be required.

2. Emergency dike repairs will be accomplished as necessary. If the needed repairs go beyond the capability of the Diking District, the Army Corps of Engineers will be advised by either the Diking Commissioners or the DEM.

3. If Conditions warrant, activation of the County EOC and implementation of the Wahkiakum County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan will take place when the Diking Commissioners determine the need for additional shelters and/or evacuation of the island becomes necessary.

C. RECOVERY AND MITIGATION

1. Continued repairs of damage will be completed.
2. Investigation of any dike damage will take place to prevent a similar incident from recurring.
3. Work with the Army Corps of Engineers to determine cost-effective repairs and improvements.

VII. EMERGENCY CONTACTS:

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EMERGENCY EVACUATION RELOCATION INFORMATION

RESIDENT NAME _____

ISLAND ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

NO. OF FAMILY MEMBERS _____

ELDERLY OR HANDICAPPED? YES _____ NO _____

RELOCATION
ADDRESS _____

_____ PHONE _____

ANIMALS BEING MOVED & HOW MANY:

CATTLE _____ HORSES _____ DOGS _____ CATS _____

OTHER _____

RELOCATION ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE _____

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