

## ANNEX 13

### LAW ENFORCEMENT

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**PRIMARY:** South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED)

**SUPPORT:** As directed within the SCEOP, each supporting agency or organization will respond to coordinate the emergency activities of its department for a declared earthquake disaster.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

- A. State law enforcement support to local law enforcement after a strong earthquake may require providing hundreds of law enforcement personnel from unaffected areas to the impacted area.
- B. ESF-13 will prepare for disaster response using the Operational Area Concept and worst case loss estimation data in Attachment C to the Basic Plan.

#### II. MISSION

To provide for coordination and use of law enforcement personnel and equipment in an earthquake disaster for general law enforcement. General law enforcement is inclusive of all law enforcement tasks excluding emergency traffic management (ESF-16).

#### III. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

- A. Response operations will use an Earthquake Checklist that will be executed following a strong earthquake. Activities in the Earthquake Checklist do not replace required activities normally assigned to ESF in the SCEOP and supporting ESF SOP. The Checklist activities are to ensure that critical actions are completed or continuing at the appropriate time during an earthquake response. See Attachment A to this Annex for Checklist.
- B. Immediate operational response to a disaster situation is the responsibility of local law enforcement in whose area the disaster occurs. However, due to the widespread regional nature of the event, local law enforcement capabilities may be severely limited. State law enforcement support to local law enforcement will require providing hundreds of law enforcement and security personnel from outside of the disaster areas into the impacted areas.
- C. In preparation for state law enforcement response to manmade or natural disasters, ESF-13 created five areas of operations. Inside each of these

areas, staging areas have been identified for law enforcement personnel and equipment. Every effort will be made to ensure that ESF-13 support to local law enforcement will be an integrated process for the local governments, and that it will be accomplished in accordance with the overall priorities established at the SEOC and Operational Area Concept.

- D. ESF-13 will:
1. Coordinate with local law enforcement and emergency managers to provide law enforcement assets as needed. Using the Operational Area Concept, ESF-13 personnel will immediately deploy into the area for public safety operations following an earthquake. Once deployed, law enforcement personnel will report to their assigned staging area, and a law enforcement liaison will be assigned to the Incident Command Post (ICP) in each Operational Area.
  2. Provide disaster intelligence to include observation of damage to critical facilities.
  3. Coordinate with ESF-1 on transportation requirements for law enforcement personnel and equipment.
  4. Coordinate with ESF-2 to determine communication frequencies to coordinate with local law enforcement in the Operational Areas.
- E. Immediately after the earthquake, SCDOT will deploy its Seismic Response Teams (SRT) to determine lifeline entry routes into the area. Representatives from SCDPS and SLED will become members of the SRT as lifeline routes are established. SCDPS and SLED support to the SRT Team is to assist in identifying transportation lifelines and help to maintain law and order during the evaluation and inspection of bridges.
- F. SLED communications component during an incident will provide specialized technical advice, equipment, deployment of SLED mobile command post, and deployment of backup communications equipment. In addition, SLED will coordinate the deployment of other state communications resources as required.
- G. Develop procedures to provide disaster intelligence to SERT on the conditions of correction facilities in the Operational Areas. Intelligence should include locations of damage, inmate accountability, observations on building stability, and if law enforcement assistance is needed.
- H. ESF-13 may provide law enforcement support to the Operational Area Transportation Entry Points. See Annex 1, Attachment C, Operational

Area Seismic Reconnaissance List (Map and Table) for a list of transportation entry point locations.

#### IV. **ESF ACTION**

The emergency operations necessary for the performance of this function include but are not limited to:

##### A. Preparedness

1. Assign a liaison to the ICP in the Operational Areas.
2. Develop plans to incorporate ESF-13 areas of operations into the Operational Area Concept.
3. Develop plans to deploy law enforcement resources by air and water.
4. Coordinate with ESF-1 to identify transportation requirements to support ESF-13.
5. Develop procedures to provide disaster intelligence to SERT.
6. Coordinate with ESF-2 to determine communication frequencies to coordinate with local law enforcement in the Operational Areas.
7. Assign officers to SCDOT SRT to help to maintain law and order during the evaluation and inspection of bridges and assist in identifying transportation lifelines.

##### B. Response

1. Implement ESF-13, Earthquake Checklist, Attachment A to this Annex.
2. Verify communications capability within Operational Areas.
3. Mobilize and deploy law enforcement assets to designated staging areas and ICPs in the Operational Areas.
4. Deploy law enforcement officers to the SRTs to establish transportation lifelines in the Operational Areas.
5. Coordinate with ESF-1 on transportation requirements of personnel and equipment.

6. Obtain status report of aerial assets available to use in earthquake operations.
7. Provide any disaster intelligence information such as roads and bridge failures as well as any damaged buildings as observed by law enforcement officers.
8. Supplement local government communications, if requested.
9. Establish security for critical facilities and essential supplies if requested.
10. Coordinate with ESF-16 and assign officers to SCDOT SRT to assist with establishing lifelines and maintaining law and order during the evaluation and inspection of bridges after the earthquake.

C. Recovery

See Recovery Section, Annex 13, (ESF-13) to the SCEOP.

D. Mitigation

See Mitigation Section, Annex 13, (ESF-13) to the SCEOP.

V. **RESPONSIBILITIES**

A. SLED

1. Assign a liaison to the ICP in the Operational Area.
2. Assign officers to SCDOT SRT to assist with establishing lifelines and maintaining law and order during the evaluation and inspection of bridges after the earthquake.
3. Develop plans to incorporate ESF-13 areas of operations into the Operational Area Concept.
4. Develop plans to deploy law enforcement resources by air and water.
5. Coordinate with ESF-1 to identify transportation requirements to support ESF-13.
6. Develop procedures to provide disaster intelligence to SERT.

7. Coordinate with ESF-2 to determine communication frequencies to coordinate with local law enforcement in the Operational Areas.
8. Develop plans to deploy law enforcement resources using air and water transportation assets.
9. Develop procedures to provide disaster intelligence to SERT.
10. Review and update ESF-13 Earthquake Checklist.

**B. SCDC**

1. Develop procedures to provide disaster intelligence to SERT on the conditions of correction facilities in the Operational Areas. Intelligence should include locations of damage, inmate accountability, observations on building stability, and if law enforcement assistance is needed.
2. Plan for worst-case scenario for prisons following an earthquake.
3. Coordinate with ESF-1 on transportation requirements of inmate and personnel relocation.

**C. SCDPS**

Coordinate with ESF-13 and SCDOT SRT to assign officers to SRT to assist with establishing lifelines and maintaining law and order during the evaluation and inspection of bridges after the earthquake.

**VI. FEDERAL INTERFACE**

The National Response Framework (NRF) ESF-13, Public Safety, and Security Annex, supports this Annex.

**VII. ATTACHMENT**

Attachment A      ESF-13 Earthquake Checklist

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**ESF-13 (Law Enforcement)**

Date/Time Complete

1. \* \_\_\_\_\_ Verify communications capability within Operational Areas.
2. \* \_\_\_\_\_ Assign a liaison to the ICP in the Operational Areas.
3. \* \_\_\_\_\_ Coordinate with ESF-1 to accompany Seismic Response Teams (SRT) into the impacted areas and assign an officer to each deployed team.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Coordinate with ESF-1 for transport of law enforcement personnel and equipment.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Obtain status report of aerial assets available for use.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobilize and deploy law enforcement assets to designated staging areas and ICPs in the Operational Areas.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Provide any disaster intelligence information such as roads and bridge failures as well as any damaged buildings as observed by law enforcement officers.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Supplement local government communications, if requested.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Establish security for critical facilities and essential supplies if requested.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Coordinate with ESF-1 and ESF-16 on roads accessibility.

**\*NOTE:** All Checklist activities listed are essential, and should be completed. However, Checklist activities denoted with an asterisk are critical, and should be completed first. Other action items can be executed simultaneously to expedite response actions.

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