

ANNEX 19

ESF 19 - MILITARY SUPPORT

COORDINATING: South Carolina National Guard

SUPPORT: South Carolina State Guard

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. ESF-19 will coordinate Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) in accordance with the South Carolina Emergency Operations Plan (SCEOP) and existing South Carolina National Guard (SCNG) Operations Plans.
- B. The Governor has the authority to order all or any part of the SCNG and/or the SC State Guard onto State Active Duty (SAD) to assist State and local officials. The Governor may request Federal Title 32 funding once the SCNG is ordered onto SAD.
- C. When directed by the Governor or his/her representative, the Adjutant General of South Carolina will deploy military assets to assist civil authorities.

II. PURPOSE

Coordinate military support to civil authorities throughout South Carolina in times of a major or catastrophic disaster.

III. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

- A. The SCNG consisting of the Army Guard, Air Guard, and State Guard is responsible for the coordination of all ESF-19 administrative, management, planning, training, preparedness, and mitigation, response, and recovery activities to include developing, coordinating, and maintaining the ESF-19 SOP.
- B. Supporting agencies will assist the SCNG in planning and execution of the above.
- C. ESF-19 will advise SCEMD on SCNG (and State Guard) on capabilities and assets, ongoing mission status, troop numbers, estimated costs, and operational considerations.
- D. Upon issuance of a Governor's Executive Order, the Adjutant General will mobilize and deploy military assets in support of DSCA operations and provide support to other ESFs as directed by SCEMD.
- E. Upon a SEOC activation, ESF-19 will follow the SEOC OPCON level.
- F. ESF-19 will assess and validate capabilities for all mission requests, and coordinate with other ESFs, the State Guard and the SCNG Joint Operations Center (JOC) to determine appropriate military assets and ensure the timely execution of assigned missions.

G. Military Assistance

1. Military assets will normally be committed as a supplement and enhancement to civil resources as required in order to cope with the loss of essential public services, humanitarian aid, and property protection requirements caused by an emergency event.
2. Military assistance should be requested after all other ESF support has been expended.

H. DSCA operations will in accordance with the SCEMD operating condition.

IV. ESF ACTIONS**A. Prevention/Protection**

1. Organize and staff ESF-19 with the capability to function on a 24-hour schedule.
2. Training
 - a. Ensure ESF-19 staff is trained on the SCEOP, the SEOC SOP, Palmetto on a yearly basis. Maintain training on pertinent SCNG plans and procedures.
 - b. Synchronize multilateral training with SCEMD and other State agencies.
 - c. All ESF-19 personnel must complete all required NIMS training (IS-100, 200, 700, and 800).
3. Ensure procedures are in place for the SCNG document costs for any potential reimbursement.
4. Participate at least annually in State exercises and/or conduct an exercise to validate this annex and supporting SOPs.
5. Participate with SCEMD in all appropriate planning and training workshops.
6. Ensure liaison officers (LNOs) are trained and capable of advising counties of SCNG capabilities during emergency responses.

B. Response

1. Provide ESF-19 support upon notification by SCEMD that an emergency condition exists or is imminent requiring activation of the SERT or the personnel and resources of the SCNG.

2. Activate the SCNG upon the issuance of the Governor's Executive Order
3. Coordinate all valid mission tasking in support of current operations and general State operations and coordinate mission requests in support of other ESFs.
4. Coordinate with the SCNG JOC to identify and obtain required assets to efficiently accomplish the mission.

C. Recovery

1. Coordinate DSCA operations during the recovery period.

V. RESPONSIBILITIES

A. South Carolina National Guard

1. Identify and assign SCNG personnel to staff ESF-19 in the SEOC.
2. Notify ESF-19 supporting agencies upon activation.
3. Upon issuance of a Governor's Executive Order, The Adjutant General will mobilize SCNG and/or State Guard forces to SAD, deploy military assets and conduct DSCA operations to support State operations in the following areas:
 - Evacuation operations
 - Search and rescue operations
 - Transportation of supplies
 - Engineering support
 - Aviation operations
 - Security operations in support of law enforcement
 - Debris clearance operations
 - Communications support
 - Support to logistics staging area operations
 - Support to firefighting and HAZMAT operations

4. Validate the supported agency's resource request with the requesting entity for mission coordination and determine the number of personnel and type of equipment necessary for specific mission assignments.
5. Provide support to local law enforcement for security operations.

B. South Carolina Air National Guard

Identify, train, and assign personnel to maintain contact with and prepare to execute missions in support of ESF-19 and/or Air Operations Branch during periods of activation.

B. South Carolina State Guard

1. Identify, train, and assign personnel to maintain contact with and prepare to execute missions at the direction of the SCNG.
2. Provide personnel to support SCNG operations as needed
3. Coordinate State Guard mission assignments, reporting, and tasks through SCNG JOC.

VI. FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

- A. This Annex has no counterpart in the National Response Framework (NRF).
- B. ESF-19 will coordinate mission tasking with the DCE when the State of South Carolina requests Department of Defense (DoD) resources or assistance.