HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

Bryan Campus

Emergency Operations Plan

September 2023

Purpose

The purpose of this plan is to outline the Bryan Campus approach for organizing, coordinating and directing available resources toward effective emergency response operations. The plan includes an organizational structure establishing the authority and assigns responsibility for various emergency tasks. The plan is intended to provide a flexible and scalable framework, which:

- Helps prepare Bryan Campus employees, students, tenants, and visitors to successfully respond to an emergency
- Defines clear roles, responsibilities, and authorities in managing emergency situations

Hazard Analysis

The Bryan campus is exposed to hazards – natural and man-made – that have the potential for disrupting the normal working operations, causing casualties, and damaging or destroying the facilities. A summary of major hazards is provided in the table below.

Hazard Type	**Likelihood of Occurrence** (Low Medium High)	**Estimated Impact on Public Health and Safety** (Low Medium High)	**Estimated Impact on Property** (Low Medium High)
Actions of Violence (Active Shooter, Bomb Threats, etc.)	Medium	High	Medium
Biological Releases	Low	High	Low
Civil Disorder	Low	Medium	Medium
Cyber Security	High	Low	Medium
HazMat Release	Low	Medium	Low
Structural Fire	Medium	Low	High
Terrorism	Low	High	Medium
Utility Disruption	Medium	Medium	Medium
Flood	Low	Low	Medium
Infectious Disease Outbreak	High	High	

Agency Type	Primary	Secondary
Public Health	Brazos County Health Department	
Security Services	TAMU Health Science Center	
Environmental Health and Safety	TAMU Environmental Health and Safety	
Emergency Management	TAMU Emergency Management	

Planning Assumptions

In addition to the planning assumptions provided within the Texas A&M Health Emergency Operations Plan, the following are planning assumptions specific to the Bryan campus.

The Bryan campus will continue to be exposed to and subject to the impact of those hazards described above as well as lesser hazards and others that may develop in the future.

Emergencies may occur at any time and at any place. In many cases, dissemination of warning to the public and implementation of increased readiness measures may be possible. However, some emergency situations occur with little or no warning.

The Bryan campus is reliant on emergency services from the local jurisdictions. Therefore, it is essential to be prepared to carry out the basic initial life safety actions since it may take time for emergency services to arrive.

Proper planning and preparedness activities with local emergency services will ensure an effective and coordinated response.

Proper mitigation actions, such as floodplain management, and fire inspections, can prevent or reduce disaster-related losses. Detailed emergency planning, training of emergency responders and other personnel, and conducting periodic emergency drills and exercises can improve readiness to deal with emergency situations.

The Bryan campus officials and representatives must recognize their responsibilities for the safety and well-being of faculty, staff, students and visitors; and assume their responsibilities in the implementation of this emergency plan.

Proper implementation of these guidelines will reduce or prevent disaster-related losses.

Concept of Operations

General

The Bryan campus officials and representatives have the responsibility to protect public health and safety and preserve property from the effects of an emergency. As such, the response priorities are, in order of importance:

Protection of life and safety of students, faculty, staff and visitors;
Secure critical infrastructure and facilities which are, in priority order:

- Facilities critical to health and safety;
- Facilities that sustain emergency response;
- Classroom and research facilities; and
- Administration facilities

Resume teaching and research programs.

Emergency Authorities

In order to meet these priorities, the officials and representatives must implement appropriate population protection activities (e.g. evacuations or sheltering in place) prior to the arrival of local emergency services personnel, then coordinate with the local emergency services personnel.

For rapid onset emergencies (e.g., building fire, chemical spill, active shooter, etc.), the Bryan campus officials may:

Alter personnel schedules in support of an emergency response; and
Identify trained personnel as deemed essential for maintaining critical campus operations.

For emergencies with longer lead times (e.g., winter weather, hurricanes, etc.), the Texas A&M Health Senior Vice President will generally follow the actions of Senior Vice Pcialoriior Vic

operations.

responders immediately. Security should be notified immediately after calling 911 so

May serve as a liaison with local first responders
Provide information to emergency responders about chemical inventories, research operations, etc. that may impact the response

Security

Immediately contact the Director of Security and begin assessment of the emergency condition.
Serves as a liaison with local law enforcement
Provides access control of the building

Facilities

Initiates procedures to secure facility for hazardous weather conditions
Furnishes emergency power and lighting systems to the extent possible
Provides technical knowledge about the facility
Directs emergency repairs and protects equipment

Marketing & Communications

Supports emergency notification and warnings as needed
Coordinates public information messaging with campus administrators, UPD, Emergency Management, and Texas A&M University Marketing & Communications.

Lines of Succession

The lines of succession do not dictate the order of notification.

Senior Administrator

Primary: Senior Vice President
Secondary: Chief of Staff

Secondary: Public Relations Manager

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Annual Plan Submission and Reporting

Texas A&M University Emergency Management is responsible for submissions and reporting of required plans and executive summaries to the TAMUS Office of Risk Management in accordance with System Regulation 34.07.01 for Emergency Plans.

Authorities and References

Authorities

There are no additional authorities beyond those listed in the Texas A&M University Emergency Operations Plan.

Plan Contact Information

Name and Position	Phone Number	Alternate Phone Number
Leslie Lutz Assistant Director	979.821.0005t 12 Tf1 0 0 1 2	

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Attachment 3: Altered Operations for Inclement Weather

Purpose

This procedure is to outline the authorities, operations, and responsibilities for altering campus operations due to the threat of or actual inclement weather. Alteration of campus operations is defined as the early dismissal, delayed opening, or campus closure.

Authorities

Each campus retains local authority for the decisions relating to altering campus operations due to inclement weather.

Each campus retains local authority to issue an HSC Alert to the campus population regarding the altered operation.

Procedure

Each campus will:

Monitor local weather to determine if altered campus operations are warranted.
Coordinate their decisions to alter campus operations with other TAMU components in the same jurisdiction.
Take into consideration the actions of local school districts or other higher education institutions.

- If local school districts and/or other higher education institutions alter their operations, the respective campus may alter their operations.
- If local school districts and/or other higher education institutions remain open, the respective campus should remain open.

Notify the following individuals, via a group email or text message, of the determination of altered operations and the reason for such determination.

- Chief of Staff
- Chief of Staff, Provost Office
- TAMU Executive Director of Emergency Management
- TAMU Assistant Director of Emergency Management

Issue the HSC Alert for their respective campus, if campus operations will be altered.

Resources

Entity	URL
TAMU Emergency Public Information	http://emergency.tamu.edu

Attachment 4: Hazardous Materials Incidents

In the event of a biological release, procedures to be followed are outlined in existing plans that are maintained by the Office of BioSafety.

Each laboratory that works with chemicals and/or radioactive materials will employ its own containment/spill procedures in the event of a small unintentional release of less than 1 liter and not extremely toxic chemical or a small volume of radioactive material.

If a chemical release involves an extremely toxic chemical or in an amount larger than can be contained by laboratory personnel, TAMU Environmental Health & Safety (979.845.2132) and/or the Security Officer on duty (979.436.9000) shall be notified. The following information should be given:

Nature of the emergency and exact location
Name of person supplying information
Identity and quantity of chemical released
Information about injured personnel (if any)

Upon notification of the incident, the EHS On-call response team (979.862.1111) will respond to the emergency location, assess thergencyrmand notry tn suEach laboratT6S9h9930f1 0 0 1

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