Creating EMAC Energy Mission Ready Packages

The National Emergency Management Association (NEMA), the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Cybersecurity, Energy Security and Emergency Response (CESER) and the 12 states that make up the Western States Petroleum Collaborative (Collaborative) are continuing their efforts to enhance mutual aid coordination to support energy emergencies.

The project, funded by DOE is intended to:
• Provide training and technical assistance to help States develop Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) energy-related Mission Ready Packages (MRP)
• These MRPs will be uploaded into the Mutual Aid Support System (MASS) to be available for potential deployments to requesting states during emergencies.

As part of this effort, NEMA and NASEO will provide the following assistance the states in the Collaborative:

1. Conduct a MRP webinar training.
2. Provide direct technical assistance to each state in the Collaborative to create customized MRPs that reflect their state’s energy response capabilities.
3. Upload the MRPs into the Mutual Aid Support System Database.

This will be a joint effort between energy organizations and emergency management, and other relevant stakeholders.

The Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) is the Nation’s all-hazards mutual aid System. EMAC has been ratified by U.S. Congress (PL 104-321) and is law in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands and the Northern Mariana Islands. Through EMAC, states can share resources from all disciplines, protect personnel who deploy, and be reimbursed for mission related costs.

A Mission Ready Package (MRP) provides a detailed description of an emergency response resource. It includes a description of the mission that the resource can support as well as the personnel, equipment, supplies, and estimated costs needed to complete the mission.

Completed MRPs are stored in the Mutual Aid Support System (MASS). MASS is a database that Resource Providers can use to develop and maintain their MRPs.

Your State EMAC Coordinator is a key resource for all aspects of the EMAC process, including the development of Mission Ready Packages. As you start this process, we strongly encourage you to reach out to your EMAC Coordinator. To find out the name of your EMAC Coordinator, please contact the Project Lead at: Gisele.Parry@hagertyconsulting.com