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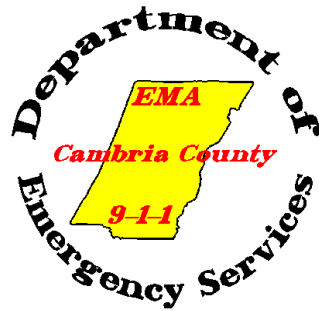


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DIRECTOR'S ADDRESS

Once again, it is with both pride and pleasure to provide this annual report to our Cambria County Board of Commissioners, the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, our emergency response partners – law enforcement, the fire service, the emergency medical services and public works - municipal and state government elected officials - and the numerous agencies – all who support the initiatives, programs and concepts that Cambria County utilizes to keep our residents, workers, and visitors safe and healthy.

This annual report provides a summary review of the operations, highlights and accomplishments conducted by the Cambria County Department of Emergency Services in 2015.

Throughout 2015, several national and international events again took place that continue to shape the ever-changing world of emergency communications, preparedness, and response. The ongoing threat of terrorism, both domestic and international; the continued bulk shipments of Bakken crude by rail through Cambria County; and continued racial and civil unrest across the nation, all had a prominent effect on our focus regarding local and regional daily readiness.

Positive events that influenced our preparedness were the Papal visit to the United States in late September of Pope Francis; and the Kraft-sponsored Hockeyville U.S.A. designation and related events that was bestowed upon the City of Johnstown and the surrounding county area.

Sadly, in 2015, the area witnessed four line-of-duty deaths in emergency services. Janice Keen-Livingston, a paramedic with the West End Ambulance Service in Johnstown, police officers Lieutenant Eric Eslary of the Ligonier Township Police Department and Patrolman Lloyd E. Reed, Jr. of the St. Clair Township Police Department (both in neighboring Westmoreland County), and firefighter Jeffrey Buck of the Lawrence Township FD (in neighboring Clearfield County), all made the supreme sacrifice serving their fellow man in four separate incidents.

Several major highlights accomplished by the Department in 2015 included the emergency management re-certification as StormREADY by the National Weather Service; the re-certification by PEMA for the SHARP Hazmat Response Team as state-certified under NFPA 472; and the NFPA 1061 Level 1 and 2 certification for 9-1-1 telecommunicators and supervisors.

Ongoing implementation of the Region 13 Task Force-sponsored WestCore and ESInet projects will ultimately allow the Department of Emergency Services to better serve the citizens and emergency service departments of Cambria County.

The professionalism and support of the emergency service departments throughout Cambria County continues to be first rate and is truly appreciated. All emergency services contribute to and share in a team effort that provides our county with the best public safety operations possible. As such, the Department of Emergency Services remains committed to the belief that Cambria County's emergency management and 9-1-1 communications staff perform at the highest possible level.

In closing, I would again be remiss not to mention the support provided by our Cambria County Board of Commissioners. Their understanding and encouragement is absolutely crucial to the overall efficiency and effectiveness demonstrated by our Department. Though every day challenges will always exist, the Cambria County Department of Emergency Services will continue to strive to meet the expectations and exceed the public safety needs of all who live, work and visit Cambria County.

With best regards,

Ronald J. Springer, Executive Director
Cambria County Department of Emergency Services

**2015 PENNSYLVANIA EMERGENCY INCIDENTS REPORTING SYSTEM (PEIRS) –
KNOWLEDGE CENTER INCIDENT REPORTS**

JANUARY 3, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC INVOLVING EMERGENCY VEHICLE 0740 hours Upper Yoder Township Motor vehicle crash involving an Upper Yoder Township police cruiser near the intersection of Berkley Road and Warren Street while enroute to an MVC. Officer was transported to the hospital with minor injuries.	PEIRS: 2015-001
JANUARY 4, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC INVOLVING EMERGENCY VEHICLE 2213 hours City of Johnstown Motor vehicle crash involving a West Hills EMS ambulance and a parked car near Conemaugh Hospital. No injuries were reported.	PEIRS: 2015-002
JANUARY 5, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC INVOLVING SCHOOL BUS 0836 hours City of Johnstown Motor vehicle crash on William Penn Highway involving a school bus with twenty-three students Greater Johnstown School District on-board. No injuries were reported.	PEIRS: 2015-003
JANUARY 7, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE 1411 hours Ferndale Borough Residential structure fire (apartment complex) on SR 985 (Ferndale Avenue) caused the closing of Ferndale Avenue. No injuries were reported. Red Cross assisted with displaced residents.	PEIRS: 2015-004
JANUARY 9, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	UTILITY EMERGENCY - POWER OUTAGE 0230 hours Elder Township Penelec power outage affecting 750 customers. No CI/KR facilities affected.	PEIRS: 2015-005
JANUARY 9, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC INVOLVING SCHOOL BUS 1529 hours City of Johnstown Motor vehicle crash involving a school bus. No students on-board. No injuries reported.	PEIRS: 2015-006
JANUARY 12, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC INVOLVING SCHOOL BUS 0837 hours Lower Yoder Township Motor vehicle crash involving a McIlwain Bus Lines school bus and a car. No injuries reported.	PEIRS: 2015-007

2015 PEIRS – continued

JANUARY 15, 2015 UTILITY EMERGENCY – POWER OUTAGE PEIRS: 2015-008

Time: 1429 hours
Location: Cambria Township
Incident: Penelec power outage affecting the Route 22 corridor. No CI/KR facilities affected.

JANUARY 16, 2015 RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE PEIRS: 2015-009

Time: 1150 hours
Location: Elder Township
Incident: Single family residential structure fire on Bridge Street. No injuries reported.

JANUARY 20, 2015 HAZMAT – ODOR INVESTIGATION PEIRS: 2015-010

Time: 1039 hours
Location: Northern Cambria Borough
Incident: Propane odor investigation at the Northern Cambria High School. The school was evacuated. An investigation did not identify the source.

JANUARY 23, 2015 MVC – POLICE OFFICER STRUCK PEIRS: 2015-011

Time: 2258 hours
Location: Adams Township
Incident: While investigating a motor vehicle crash at Water Dam Curve on Route 219, a police officer was struck by another vehicle. The officer was not injured.

JANUARY 24, 2015 MVC – ROAD CLOSURE PEIRS: 2015-012

Time: 0725 hours
Location: Munster Township
Incident: Route 22 westbound was closed by the PA State Police due to a motor vehicle crash.

JANUARY 27, 2015 HAZMAT – ODOR INVESTIGATION PEIRS: 2015-013

Time: 1231 hours
Location: Northern Cambria Borough
Incident: Odor investigation at the Northern Cambria High School. School was evacuated. Investigation identified the odor as a discharge from an aerosol can by a student.

FEBRUARY 1, 2015 SEVERE WEATHER EVENT PEIRS: 2015-014

Time: 0938 hours
Location: Countywide
Incident: The National Weather Service issued a WINTER STORM WARNING for Cambria County. The storm mainly caused hazardous road conditions.

2015 PEIRS – continued

FEBRUARY 1, 2015	MVC INVOLVING EMERGENCY VEHICLE	PEIRS: 2015-015
Time:	1647 hours	
Location:	Northern Cambria Borough	
Incident:	Motor vehicle crash involving a Northern Cambria Borough police cruiser that was struck by another vehicle while the officer was investigating a prior crash. No injuries were reported.	
FEBRUARY 2, 2015	UTILITY EMERGENCY – POWER OUTAGE	PEIRS: 2015-016
Time:	0102 hours	
Location:	Croyle Township	
Incident:	Penelec power outage in the area of Sidman and Beaverdale. No CI/KR facilities were affected.	
FEBRUARY 3, 2015	INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT	PEIRS: 2015-017
Time:	0841 hours	
Location:	City of Johnstown	
Incident:	Reported steam explosion in an industrial furnace at the North American Hoganus facility. No fire was reported. One employee suffered minor burn injuries.	
FEBRUARY 3, 2015	MVC INVOLVING COMMERCIAL BUS	PEIRS: 2015-018
Time:	1246 hours	
Location:	Richland Township	
Incident:	Motor vehicle crash on the Route 56 Bypass involving a private taxi and a CamTran bus. No injuries were reported.	
FEBRUARY 7, 2015	BARRICADED PERSON	PEIRS: 2015-019
Time:	0629 hours	
Location:	Cambria Township	
Incident:	Police emergency involving a barricaded person in a residence. SERT assisted on scene. Person was taken into custody without further incident.	
FEBRUARY 9, 2015	MVC – ROAD CLOSURE	PEIRS: 2015-020
Time:	0616 hours	
Location:	Jackson Township	
Incident:	Multi-vehicle accident with injuries on Route 22 closed the westbound lanes near Dishong Mountain Road.	
FEBRUARY 9, 2015	INJURED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS	PEIRS: 2015-021
Time:	1238 hours	
Location:	City of Johnstown	
Incident:	One Cambria County deputy sheriff and one detective from the Cambria County District Attorney’s Office received minor injuries while attempting to detain a wanted person. Both officers were evaluated at the hospital for their injuries.	

2015 PEIRS - continued

FEBRUARY 9, 2015 REPORTED MISSING PERSON PEIRS: 2015-022
Time: 1540 hours
Location: Summerhill Borough
Incident: A 17 YOA female was reported missing by family after she failed to return home from school. Search dogs and a ground search team assisted local law enforcement. The girl was located 24-hours later unharmed. The investigation determined there was no abduction.

FEBRUARY 11, 2015 ROADWAY INCIDENT INVOLVING SCHOOL BUS PEIRS: 2015-023
Time: 0815 hours
Location: Ebensburg Borough
Incident: A tire from a tractor-trailer truck was dislodged and struck a Central Cambria School District bus on West High Street. No injuries were reported to the twenty students on-board nor either driver.

FEBRUARY 12, 2015 MVC – FUEL SPILL PEIRS: 2015-024
Time: 1939 hours
Location: Cresson Township
Incident: A vehicle accident on Route 22 eastbound involving a tractor-trailer truck and a PennDOT truck caused a diesel fuel spill that closed both lanes.

FEBRUARY 13, 2015 EXERCISE – ACTIVE SHOOTER PEIRS: 2015-025
Time: 1131 hours
Location: Clearfield Township
Incident: A full-scale active shooter exercise was conducted at the Cambria Heights High School involving county emergency services, law enforcement, school administration and student volunteers.

FEBRUARY 14, 2015 MVC – ROAD CLOSURE PEIRS: 2015-026
Time: 1214 hours
Location: Richland Township
Incident: A motor vehicle accident with entrapment closed the northbound lanes of Route 219.

FEBRUARY 14, 2015 DISABLED VEHICLE – ROAD CLOSURE PEIRS: 2015-027
Time: 1632 hours
Location: Jackson Township
Incident: A disabled tractor-trailer truck and winter road conditions closed the westbound lanes of Route 22.

FEBRUARY 17, 2015 MVC INVOLVING SCHOOL BUS PEIRS: 2015-028
Time: 0836 hours
Location: Ferndale Borough
Incident: A motor vehicle crash involving a car and a McIlwain Bus Lines school bus was reported at the intersection of Goucher and Franklin Streets. No students were on the bus. No injuries were reported.

2015 PEIRS – continued

FEBRUARY 18, 2015 HAZMAT – HEATING OIL RELEASE PEIRS: 2015-029
Time: 1545 hours
Location: Northern Cambria Borough
Incident: A residential heating oil spill, estimated at 100 gallons, was reported inside the structure. The fire department secured the storage tank; placed absorbents; and kept the product from entering the floor drain.

FEBRUARY 18, 2015 MVC – ROAD CLOSURE PEIRS: 2015-030
Time: 1732 hours
Location: Cresson Township
Incident: Motor vehicle crash involving a tractor-trailer truck on Route 22 closed the eastbound lanes. No injuries were reported.

FEBRUARY 20, 2015 MVC INVOLVING A COMMERCIAL BUS PEIRS: 2015-031
Time: 0703 hours
Location: Lower Yoder Township
Incident: Motor vehicle crash involving a pick-up truck and a CamTran bus. No injuries were reported.

FEBRUARY 21, 2015 MVC INVOLVING A POLICE CRUISER PEIRS: 2015-032
Time: 1831 hours
Location: Jackson Township
Incident: Motor vehicle crash on Route 271 involving a Nanty Glo Borough Police Department cruiser enroute to assist the Jackson Township Police Department. Cruiser struck a deer. The police officer was not injured.

FEBRUARY 21, 2015 UTILITY EMERGENCY – WATER LINE BREAK PEIRS: 2015-033
Time: 1520 hours
Location: Summerhill Township
Incident: Water line break reported by Highland Sewer & Water along railroad tracks on the Route 53 corridor. Low-pressure in Wilmore and Summerhill Boroughs, and Summerhill Township. County EMA coordinated emergency water needs as a precaution

FEBRUARY 22, 2015 SEVERE WEATHER EVENT PEIRS: 2015-034
Time: 1707 hours
Location: Countywide
Incident: The National Weather Service issued a WINTER STORM WARNING for heavy snowfall.

FEBRUARY 24, 2015 UTILITY EMERGENCY – POWER OUTAGE PEIRS: 2015-035
Time: 0012 hours
Location: Ferndale Borough, Upper Yoder Township
Incident: Power outage reported affecting 1,200 Penelec customers. Power restored at 0616 hours.

2015 PEIRS – continued

MARCH 4, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC – ROAD CLOSURE 2202 hours Jackson Township A motor vehicle crash involving two tractor-trailer trucks closed the eastbound lanes of Route 22.	PEIRS: 2015-043
MARCH 4, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	FLOODING DUE TO ICE JAM 0149 hours Summerhill Borough An ice jam on Laurel Run at the State Route 53 bridge closed the highway and resulted in flood damage to three residences, one business and a municipal street (Tunnel Street). The ice was dislodged and the roadway re-opened at approximately 1000 hours.	PEIRS: 2015-044
MARCH 6, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MEMORIAL SERVICE – LODD 0630 hours City of Johnstown Memorial service at the Cambria County War Memorial Arena for Janice Keen-Livingston, a West End Ambulance Service paramedic who was fatally injured in a line-of-duty death on March 2, 2015.	PEIRS: 2015-045
MARCH 16, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	HAZMAT – DIESEL FUEL SPILL 1240 hours Cresson Township Diesel fuel spill from a mechanical failure on a commercial vehicle in the Sheetz parking lot. An estimated (100) gallons of product spilled onto the road surface before being confined. A SHARP Stage 1 was dispatched to assist with containment and clean-up.	PEIRS: 2015-046
MARCH 25, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	ANNUAL SEVERE WEATHER EXERCISE 0800 hours Countywide / Statewide Severe weather tabletop exercise conducted from the County EOC in conjunction with the PEMA. The Reverse 9-1-1 telephone alert system was tested with notifications to schools and daycares, and simulated damage assessments were filed with PEMA through the Knowledge Center.	PEIRS: 2015-047
MARCH 26, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	DROUGHT WATCH DECLARATION 0800 hours Countywide PEMA declared a DROUGHT WATCH for twenty-seven counties in the Commonwealth, including Cambria County, due to a dry fall in 2014 and below-average snowfall for January and February 2015.	PEIRS: 2015-048

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APRIL 9, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	HAZMAT / CLANDESTINE LAB 0958 hours Summerhill Township Law enforcement identified a possible meth lab in a wooden area adjacent to Route 160.	PEIRS: 2015-049
APRIL 16, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC – ROAD CLOSURE 0432 hours East Taylor Township A motor vehicle crash on William Penn Avenue caused a pole and wires to fall across the roadway closing Route 271 until utility crews could clear the site.	PEIRS: 2015-050
APRIL 17, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	BARRICADED PERSON 1230 hours City of Johnstown Law enforcement, assisted by the Cambria County SERT, confronted a barricaded person in the Oakhurst Homes. The person surrendered without incident.	PEIRS: 2015-051
APRIL 26, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	VEHICLE FIRE – AMBULANCE 2224 hours City of Johnstown An ambulance from Meyersdale Ambulance caught fire while parked at Conemaugh Hospital. The ambulance suffered moderate damage. No patient or crew members were involved in the incident.	PEIRS: 2015-052
APRIL 30, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	BANK ROBBERY 1405 hours City of Johnstown The First National Bank on Central Avenue was robbed by a single robber who fled the scene on foot. No injuries were reported. The robber was apprehended the following day by Johnstown City Police.	PEIRS: 2015-053
MAY 1, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC – ROAD CLOSURE 0217 hours Lower Yoder Township A motor vehicle crash on SR 56 (Haws Pike) closed all traffic on the highway due to a pole and wires down across the roadway.	PEIRS: 2015-054
MAY 3, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC – ROAD CLOSURE 2305 hours Blacklick Township A motor vehicle crash on SR 271 (Station Road) closed the highway until a pole and wires could be removed.	PEIRS: 2015-055

2015 PEIRS – continued

MAY 3, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	STRUCTURE FIRE W/ FATALITY 1239 hours Jackson Township Residential structure fire with entrapment. Three residents were transported to the hospital; one victim died later from injuries received.	PEIRS: 2015-056
MAY 8, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	WILD FIRE W/ FIREFIGHTER INJURY 1430 hours Franklin Borough One firefighter from the Franklin Fire Company was injured fighting a wildfire and was transported to the hospital for treatment.	PEIRS: 2015-057
MAY 9, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	CAR / PEDESTRIAN MVA W/ FF INJURY 1446 hours Franklin Borough A car being detoured due to a brush fire struck a firefighter at low speed. The firefighter was transported to the hospital with a minor leg injury.	PEIRS: 2015-058
MAY 10, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC INVOLVING A POLICE CAR 1137 hours Croyle Township A Summerhill Township police cruiser was involved in a two-vehicle crash. The police officer was not injured. The two occupants of the other car were transported to the hospital for treatment.	PEIRS: 2015-059
MAY 16, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	FULL-SCALE EXERCISE – AIRPORT 0900 hours Richland Township Full-scale exercise at the Johnstown Cambria County Airport involving a simulated commuter aircraft down upon approach. The exercise was held to meet FAA compliance.	PEIRS: 2015-060
MAY 16, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	FULL-SCALE EXERCISE – HAZMAT 1300 hours Richland Township Full-scale exercise hosted by the Johnstown Cambria County Airport involving a simulated hazmat incident involving a leaking drum. The exercise was held by the SHARP HMRT in order to meet hazmat team re-certification standards by PEMA.	PEIRS: 2015-061
MAY 18, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	DROWNING 1810 hours Gallitzin Township A teenager drowned in a swimming accident at the Gallitzin Reservoir # 4. The Cambria County water rescue team and County EMA assisted at the scene.	PEIRS: 2015-062

2015 PEIRS – continued

MAY 22, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	POWER OUTAGE 2249 hours Upper Yoder Township A transformer fire on Coon Ridge Road caused a power outage affecting an estimated 500 Penelec customers. Power was restored by 0030 hours.	PEIRS: 2015-063
JUNE 11, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE 0300 hours City of Johnstown Three-alarm residential structure fire on Decker Avenue. No injuries were reported.	PEIRS: 2015-064
JUNE 12, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC ONTO RAILROAD TRACKS 1513 hours Summerhill Borough A run-away coal truck descending a hill went over an embankment and damaged all three mainline railroad tracks of Norfolk Southern. One person was injured. One track was re-opened within three hours. County EMA assisted at the scene.	PEIRS: 2015-065
JUNE 16, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	TREE DOWN / ROAD CLOSURE 1331 hours City of Johnstown A large tree fell across the Route 56 Bypass closing the eastbound lanes. PennDOT and city road crews responded to clear the debris.	PEIRS: 2015-066
JUNE 20, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	SEVERE WEATHER – HEAVY RAINS 1915 hours Countywide A severe storm that spawned heavy rains countywide caused flash flooding in the central and southern areas of Cambria County. The NWS issued a FLASH FLOOD ADVISORY. County EMA visited Ebensburg Borough, Ferndale Borough, Richland Township, the City of Johnstown, Conemaugh Township and Cambria Township in monitoring clean-up and damages. Damage reports were minimal. Rainfall was estimated at 3-4 inches. No injuries were reported.	PEIRS: 2015-067
JUNE 20, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	UTILITY OUTAGE – TELEPHONE 1704 hours Northern Cambria Borough Telephone outage resulted in a loss of landline service to 25 Verizon customers. Cellular service remained intact. All service was restored at 2225 hours.	PEIRS: 2015-068

2015 PEIRS – continued

JUNE 21, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	WATER RESCUE 1907 hours City of Johnstown Johnstown Fire Department and the Cambria County Water Rescue Team responded to rescue a stranded kayaker in the Stonycreek River after the kayak capsized. No injuries were reported.	PEIRS: 2015-069
JUNE 25, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	PUBLIC EVENT-THUNDER IN THE VALLEY 1100 hours City of Johnstown, Countywide The Thunder in the Valley motorcycle rally in the City of Johnstown and its suburbs, along with related events in Richland Township, Ebensburg Borough and Nanty Glo Borough, were expected to draw crowds exceeding 100,000 people to the four-day event (June 25-28).	PEIRS: 2015-070
JUNE 25, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	PUBLIC EVENT – WHEELS & WINGS 1100 hours Ebensburg Borough The Wheels & Wings one-day motorcycle rally was held with attendance expected to exceed 10,000 people.	PEIRS: 2015-071
JUNE 25, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	PUBLIC EVENT – RICHLAND BIKER DAYS 1100 hours Richland Township The Richland Biker Days four-day motorcycle rally was held with attendance expected to exceed 10,000 people.	PEIRS: 2015-072
JULY 2, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	SUSPICIOUS PACKAGE 1730 hours Hastings Borough A non-expected package with suspicious indicators was delivered to a residence. The package was inspected by PSP EOD and determined to be non-hazardous.	PEIRS: 2015-073
JULY 5, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	WATER RESCUE 1915 hours City of Johnstown The Johnstown Fire Department was dispatched to a water rescue on the Conemaugh River for an overturned kayak. Two individuals were brought to the riverbank uninjured.	PEIRS: 2015-074
JULY 9, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC INVOLVING TRANSIT BUS 1501 hours City of Johnstown Motor vehicle crash involving a Camtran bus and a passenger car resulted in one injury.	PEIRS: 2015-075

2015 PEIRS – continued

JULY 15, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC WITH ENTRAPMENT 1327 hours Jackson Township Motor vehicle accident with entrapment on Route 22 closed both westbound lanes.	PEIRS: 2015-076
JULY 16, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	UTILITY EMERGENCY – WATER LEAK 1259 hours Elder Township Elder Township Water Authority reported that a water line break had drained the local reservoir leaving (70) residences dry. EMA stood by with a water trailer until repairs were made and the reservoir recovered.	PEIRS: 2015-077
JULY 17, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	LARGE PUBLIC EVENT 1404 hours Jackson Township EMA coordinated development of the emergency operations plan and deployed resources for the annual Jackson Heritage Festival.	PEIRS: 2015-078
JULY 31, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC – ROAD CLOSURE 2310 hours Westmont Borough Motor vehicle crash involving a utility pole closed St. Clair Road.	PEIRS: 2015-079
AUGUST 1, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	WATER LINE BREAK – ROAD CLOSURE 1616 hours Portage Borough A water line break on Main Street (SR 164) closed that roadway until repairs could be made.	PEIRS: 2015-080
AUGUST 2, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MOTOR VEHICLE FIRE W/ FATALITY 2251 hours Adams Township A motor vehicle fire on Forest Hills Drive (SR 160) resulted in a single fatality when the driver became entrapped in the car.	PEIRS: 2015-081
AUGUST 2, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC INVOLVING EMERGENCY VEHICLE 0311 hours Hastings Borough Motor vehicle crash involving a Hastings Borough Police Department cruiser and an all-terrain vehicle resulted in one minor injury.	PEIRS: 2015-082
AUGUST 4, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	UTILITY EMERGENCY – POWER OUTAGE 0128 hours City of Johnstown Power outage due to fallen electrical wires occurred in the Hornerstown section of the city.	PEIRS: 2015-083

2015 PEIRS - continued

AUGUST 7, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	LARGE PUBLIC EVENT 1047 hours City of Johnstown EMA coordinated development of the emergency operations plan and deployed resources for the annual Flood City Music Festival.	PEIRS: 2015-084
AUGUST 7, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	INJURED POLICE OFFICER 2035 hours City of Johnstown A City of Johnstown police officer was struck by a suspect's vehicle while in pursuit in the West End section of the city. The officer received medical evaluation at the hospital.	PEIRS: 2015-085
AUGUST 10, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	HAZMAT INVESTIGATION 1200 hours Southmont Borough NRC notification follow-up to a complaint of a spilled hydrocarbon at a commercial property on Southmont Boulevard. Southmont Borough officials and CEMA determined the complaint to be unfounded.	PEIRS: 2015-086
AUGUST 11, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	PIPELINE RUPTURE 0911 hours Stonycreek Township Natural gas line rupture due to an underground supply line being struck by a contractor excavating on Bedford Street. CEMA assisted Peoples Natural Gas at the scene.	PEIRS: 2015-087
AUGUST 12, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	ELECTRICAL FIRE AT PUBLIC EVENT 1924 hours City of Johnstown An electrical fire in the lighting system at the Point Stadium resulted in the AAABA tournament game that evening being postponed. No injuries were reported. A deliberate evacuation of the facility was conducted.	PEIRS: 2015-088
AUGUST 13, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	EXERCISE - ACTIVE SHOOTER 1200 hours Cresson Township Functional exercise involving a simulated active shooter on the campus of Mount Aloysius College. Cambria County SERT and the CCDES participated with local law enforcement and MAC administration.	PEIRS: 2015-089
AUGUST 18, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	BARRICADED SUSPECT 1204 hours Northern Cambria Borough A male barricaded himself in a residence and made threats to law enforcement. SERT took the individual into custody five hours later without further incident.	PEIRS: 2015-090

2015 PEIRS - continued

AUGUST 21, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT / FATALITY 1027 hours Clearfield Township A logger was struck by a falling tree and fatally injured while operating at a timbering site off of Glendale Lake Road.	PEIRS: 2015-091
AUGUST 21, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	BUILDING COLLAPSE 2217 hours City of Johnstown An abandoned commercial building on the corner of Adams Street and Railroad Street partially collapsed onto the street. No injuries were reported. Both streets were closed as a precaution until the building was razed two days later.	PEIRS: 2015-092
AUGUST 24, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	UTILITY EMERGENCY - WATER OUTAGE 1522 hours Barr Township Water outage due to a broken water line in the Moss Creek area. CEMA deployed a water trailer to assist with non-potable needs.	PEIRS: 2015-093
AUGUST 26, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	HOSPITAL EXERCISE – HAZMAT 1826 hours Elder Township Functional exercise involving hospital decontamination procedures with the SHARP hazmat team and Hastings FD at Miners Hospital.	PEIRS: 2015-094
SEPTEMBER 3, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	BOMB THREAT EXERCISE – SERT OPS 0744 hours Allegheny Township Full-scale exercise involving a simulated explosion and terrorist activity at the FCI-Loretto facility.	PEIRS: 2015-095
SEPTEMBER 4, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	LARGE PUBLIC EVENT 1032 hours City of Johnstown EMA coordinated development of the emergency operations plan and deployed resources for the annual Ethnic Fest	PEIRS: 2015-096
SEPTEMBER 4, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	LARGE PUBLIC EVENT 1055 hours Ebensburg Borough EMA coordinated development of the emergency operations plan for the annual Cambria County Fair.	PEIRS: 2015-097

2015 PEIRS – continued

SEPTEMBER 4, 2015 INDUSTRIAL STRUCTURE FIRE PEIRS: 2015-098
Time: 1941 hours
Location: Cambria Township
Incident: A commercial wood-working facility on Jones Portal Road was destroyed by fire after being struck by lightning. One firefighter received minor injury and was transported to the hospital.

SEPTEMBER 6, 2015 HAZMAT – FUEL SPILL PEIRS: 2015-099
Time: 1451 hours
Location: Northern Cambria Borough
Incident: Heating oil spill – estimated at 50 gallons – occurred in a residence during the removal of the furnace.

SEPTEMBER 9, 2015 NATURAL GAS LEAK PEIRS: 2015-100
Time: 1145 hours
Location: Stonycreek Township
Incident: Construction crews struck an underground gas line while working on Scott Avenue. No injuries were reported.

SEPTEMBER 9, 2015 MVC INVOLVING AN EMERGENCY UNIT PEIRS: 2015-101
Time: 1744 hours
Location: Middle Taylor Township
Incident: A City of Johnstown police officer was injured in a one-car motor vehicle accident on Benshoff Hill Road.

SEPTEMBER 10, 2015 MVC WITH DOUBLE FATALITY PEIRS: 2015-102
Time: 2032 hours
Location: Franklin Borough
Incident: A two-vehicle crash on the Michael Strank Memorial Bridge resulted in two fatalities in the one vehicle that caught fire after impact.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2015 MVC W/ POWER OUTAGE PEIRS: 2015-103
Time: 2337 hours
Location: Stonycreek Township
Incident: One car vehicle crash into a utility pole on Bedford Street caused a local power outage also affecting traffic signals. CEMA responded with barricades and tower lighting to assist police.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2015 LARGE PUBLIC EVENT PEIRS: 2015-104
Time: 1301 hours
Location: City of Johnstown
Incident: Deployment of resources (barricade, lighting and the mobile command post) for the Kraft-sponsored Hockeyville U.S.A events and pre-season NHL game at the Cambria County War Memorial.

2015 PEIRS – continued

SEPTEMBER 23, 2015 MVC W/POWER OUTAGE PEIRS: 2015-105
Time: 1540 hours
Location: Elder Township
Incident: Motor vehicle crash on Huber Street in Hastings Borough resulted in a local power outage that caused Miners Hospital to go on emergency power until pole repairs could be made.

SEPTEMBER 25, 2015 LARGE PUBLIC EVENT PEIRS: 2015-106
Time: 0837 hours
Location: Ebensburg Borough
Incident: EMA coordinated development of the emergency operations plan for the annual Potato Fest event.

SEPTEMBER 29, 2015 FLASH FLOOD WATCH PEIRS: 2015-107
Time: 1136 hours
Location: Countywide
Incident: National Weather Service issued a FLASH FLOOD WATCH for Cambria County due to predicted widespread heavy rainfall.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE FIRE PEIRS: 2015-108
Time: 1310 hours
Location: Cresson Township
Incident: Reported structure fire at the former SCI-Cresson state correctional facility. The fire was reported in the former administration building by maintenance workers in the building. The cause remains under investigation.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 MVC INVOLVING SCHOOL BUS PEIRS: 2015-109
Time: 1615 hours
Location: Reade Township
Incident: Motor vehicle crash on Beaver Valley Road between a car and a school bus transporting 29 students from the Glendale Jr/Sr. High School. Three students and the car's driver were transported to the hospital with minor injuries. CEMA assisted fire department and school officials on scene.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 PHYSICAL RESCUE PEIRS: 2015-110
Time: 2009 hours
Location: City of Johnstown/Westmont Borough
Incident: Fire department personnel from West Hills and the City of Johnstown assisted a person stuck in a plane car on the Johnstown Incline Plane after an electrical malfunction. No injuries were reported.

OCTOBER 2, 2015 MVC INVOLVING EMERGENCY VEHICLE PEIRS: 2015-111
Time: 0902 hours
Location: City of Johnstown
Incident: Two-vehicle motor vehicle crash involving a police cruiser from the Johnstown Police Department. No injuries reported.

2015 PEIRS – continued

OCTOBER 4, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	PLANNING – LARGE PUBLIC EVENT 0912 hours White Township Planned public event – Apple Cider Festival – hosted by DCNR at the Prince Gallitzin State Park. Estimated attendance is 12,000 attendees.	PEIRS: 2015-112
OCTOBER 4, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	TERRORISM – BOMB THREAT 2157 hours Richland Township Bomb threat received via telephone at a commercial facility. Threat determined to be unfounded.	PEIRS: 2015-113
OCTOBER 5, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	HAZMAT – FUEL SPILL AT A FIRE SCENE 1053 hours Portage Township Heating oil release at the scene of a prior residential structure fire. EMA coordinated clean-up with an environmental vendor through the insurance company and township officials.	PEIRS: 2015-114
OCTOBER 6, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	MVC INVOLVING SCHOOL BUS 1410 hours City of Johnstown Two-vehicle motor vehicle crash involving a car and a school bus on Menoher Boulevard. No students on the bus. No injuries reported.	PEIRS: 2015-115
OCTOBER 7, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	ROAD CLOSURE - PLANNED DETOUR 0824 hours City of Johnstown Planned PennDOT road closure with traffic detour due to dynamite blasting to alleviate a rockslide issue on the Route 56 bypass.	PEIRS: 2015-116
OCTOBER 7, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	ROAD CLOSURE – MVC 0943 hours Susquehanna Township Motor vehicle crash on the 200 block of Shawna Road (SR 219) has closed the highway while PSP reconstruction is conducted.	PEIRS: 2015-117
OCTOBER 15, 2015 Time: Location: Incident:	ROAD CLOSURE - MVC WITH FATALITY 1513 hours East Carroll Township Motor vehicle crash on Plank Road (Old SR 219) has closed the highway. One fatality was reported.	PEIRS: 2015-118

2015 PEIRS – continued

OCTOBER 15, 2015	RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE	PEIRS: 2015-119
Time:	2203 hours	
Location:	Reade Township	
Incident:	Reported structure fire at a vacant house on Railroad Street. One FF suffered minor injuries and was transported to the hospital.	
OCTOBER 22, 2015	ROAD CLOSURE - DEBRIS ON THE HW	PEIRS: 2015-120
Time:	0547 hours	
Location:	Dean Township	
Incident:	Route 53 near Beldin Hollow Road was closed after a load of coal was spilled onto the highway. PennDOT assisted with cleanup.	
OCTOBER 24, 2015	ROAD CLOSURE - MVC	PEIRS: 2015-121
Time:	0425 hours	
Location:	Munster Township	
Incident:	Two-vehicle motor vehicle crash closed the westbound lanes of Route 22 near the Route 194 interchange.	
OCTOBER 26, 2015	RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE	PEIRS: 2015-122
Time:	0258 hours	
Location:	City of Johnstown	
Incident:	Three-alarm residential structure fire in the West End section of the city. Route 56 traffic was detoured onto Route 403. No injuries reported.	
OCTOBER 26, 2015	ROAD CLOSURE - BRIDGE DAMAGED	PEIRS: 2015-123
Time:	1452 hours	
Location:	Jackson Township	
Incident:	The eastbound lanes of Route 22 and the southbound lanes of the Route 271 overpass were closed while PennDOT inspected the bridge structure beams after being struck by a high cargo on a commercial truck.	
OCTOBER 26, 2015	TERRORISM – BOMB THREAT	PEIRS: 2015-124
Time:	1409 hours	
Location:	City of Johnstown	
Incident:	A bomb threat was received at a social service agency by a male who confronted staff. The Johnstown Police Department conducted an investigation. The threat was cleared without further incident.	
OCTOBER 27, 2015	UTILITY EMERGENCY - TELEPHONES	PEIRS: 2015-125
Time:	0815 hours	
Location:	Ebensburg Borough	
Incident:	The county 9-1-1 center experienced a loss of incoming 9-1-1 phone circuits. Full service was restored within a half-hour.	

2015 PEIRS – continued

OCTOBER 27, 2015	REGION 13 HOSPITAL EXERCISE	PEIRS: 2015-126
Time:	0855 hours	
Location:	Region 13	
Incident:	Exercise – “Operation Full Moon” was conducted throughout the PA Southwest and Northwest Task Force Regions involving a medical response throughout region hospitals. Conemaugh Medical Center, Miners Medical Center and county EMA participated in the exercise over a 3-day period – October 27-29.	
OCTOBER 27, 2015	PHYSICAL RESCUE	PEIRS: 2015-127
Time:	1446 hours	
Location:	City of Johnstown	
Incident:	Johnstown Fire Department was dispatched for a trench rescue when a dirt wall collapsed on a construction worker. The victim was extricated and transported to the hospital with a leg injury.	
OCTOBER 30, 2015	UTILITY EMERGENCY – POWER OUTAGE	PEIRS: 2015-128
Time:	1948 hours	
Location:	City of Johnstown, Dale Borough	
Incident:	A power failure affected an estimated 1,000 Penelec customers. Penelec crews restored power after repairs to a faulty transformer.	
NOVEMBER 1, 2015	MVC INVOLVING EMERGENCY VEHICLE	PEIRS: 2015-129
Time:	0544 hours	
Location:	East Taylor Township	
Incident:	An East Taylor Township police cruiser was involved in a vehicle accident striking a deer on William Penn Avenue. The officer was not injured.	
NOVEMBER 1, 2015	TRANSPORTATION – ROAD CLOSURE	PEIRS: 2015-130
Time:	0940 hours	
Location:	City of Johnstown	
Incident:	The Prospect Viaduct (SR 3037) was closed due to a malfunctioning traffic signal in the construction zone. Temporary repairs were made.	
NOVEMBER 3, 2015	HAZMAT – FUEL SPILL	PEIRS: 2015-131
Time:	0820 hours	
Location:	Cresson Township	
Incident:	NRC notification (Report # 1132440) of a 5-gallon diesel fuel spill from a Norfolk Southern box car onto the railroad track ballast due to an equipment failure. Norfolk Southern handled containment and clean-up.	
NOVEMBER 6, 2015	STRUCTURE FIRE WITH ENTRAPMENT	PEIRS: 2015-132
Time:	0421 hours	
Location:	Upper Yoder Township	
Incident:	Reported structure fire with entrapment at the Carriage Hills apartment complex (Building 3). Fire was contained to the apartment of origin. (2) residents were injured. (24) residents were temporarily evacuated.	

2015 PEIRS – continued

NOVEMBER 8, 2015 CHURCH STRUCTURE FIRE PEIRS: 2015-133
Time: 0058 hours
Location: Nanty Glo Borough
Incident: Two-alarm structure fire at the First Baptist Church of Nanty Glo. The church was fully engulfed when the initial alarm was dispatched. No injuries reported.

NOVEMBER 15, 2015 SHOOTING – MULTIPLE VICTIMS PEIRS: 2015-134
Time: 0406 hours
Location: Franklin Borough
Incident: Multiple police departments were dispatched to civil disturbance at a bar where three people received gunshot wounds.

NOVEMBER 15, 2015 MVC – ROAD CLOSURE PEIRS: 2015-135
Time: 1737 hours
Location: Blacklick Township
Incident: Two-vehicle motor vehicle crash with entrapment near the Village of Belsano closed Route 422.

NOVEMBER 18, 2015 SERT ACTIVATION PEIRS: 2015-136
Time: 0442 hours
Location: Cambria Township
Incident: SERT deployment with the State Attorney General's Office and PSP for high-risk warrant. FD and EMS were placed on standby.

NOVEMBER 18, 2015 MVC INVOLVING AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE PEIRS: 2015-137
Time: 1849 hours
Location: Middle Taylor Township
Incident: A Johnstown Police Department cruiser was involved in a one-vehicle accident. There was no patient transport.

NOVEMBER 29, 2015 SERT ACTIVATION – ASSIST PEIRS: 2015-138
Time: 0011 hours
Location: Westmoreland County
Incident: SERT deployment to assist with a manhunt in St. Clair Township for a police officer down with the assailant on the run. The alleged shooter was located and taken into custody. The police officer suffered fatal wounds.

DECEMBER 1, 2015 HAZMAT – SCHOOL EVACUATION PEIRS: 2015-139
Time: 1139 hours
Location: Nanty Glo Borough
Incident: A propane leak from the school's emergency generator system caused an evacuation at the Blacklick Valley High School. No injuries were reported. EMA responded to the scene.

2015 PEIRS – continued

DECEMBER 2, 2015 HAZMAT – FUEL SPILL PEIRS: 2015-140

Time: 1626 hours
Location: Cambria Township
Incident: Heating oil spill, estimated at 100 gallons, was released from an aboveground residential storage tank. A SHARP stage 1 was dispatched. Environmental exposure was limited.

DECEMBER 3-4, 2015 LODD – FUNERAL SERVICES PEIRS: 2015-141

Time: 1134 hours
Location: Richland Township / City of Johnstown
Incident: Funeral services for Police Officer Lloyd E. Reed, Jr. of the St. Clair Township (Westmoreland County) Police Department who was killed in the line-of-duty during a domestic call. Memorial services were conducted at the Johnstown Cambria County War Memorial Arena.

DECEMBER 4, 2015 MVC INVOLVING EMERGENCY UNITS PEIRS: 2015-142

Time: 1250 hours
Location: Dale Borough
Incident: Motor vehicle crash on the Route 56 bypass involving two police cruisers taking part in the funeral procession for a LODD. No injuries were reported.

DECEMBER 7, 2015 MVC INVOLVING EMERGENCY UNIT PEIRS: 2015-143

Time: 0415 hours
Location: Jackson Township
Incident: Motor vehicle crash involving an Ebensburg Borough police cruiser and a vehicle traveling east in the westbound lane on Route 22. The police officer was assisting Jackson Township PD in attempting to stop the car going in the wrong direction. Both drivers were injured in the crash.

DECEMBER 8-9, 2015 HAZMAT – FUEL SPILL PEIRS: 2015-144

Time: 1344 hours
Location: West Carroll Township
Incident: Heating oil spill, unknown quantity, was released from an aboveground residential storage tank. A SHARP stage 1 was dispatched. Environmental exposure was identified at the release site and in manholes. DEP assisted at the scene.

DECEMBER 14, 2015 HAZMAT – ODOR INVESTIGATION PEIRS: 2015-145

Time: 1100 hours
Location: Richland Township
Incident: Fire department was dispatched to a gas odor investigation at the Richland Elementary School. Peoples Gas responded and located an outdoor gas leak.

DECEMBER 15, 2015 INJURED POLICE OFFICER PEIRS: 2015-146

Time: 2035 hours
Location: City of Johnstown
Incident: A Johnstown Police Department officer sought treatment at the hospital for a minor injury received during a warrant pickup.

2015 PEIRS – continued

DECEMBER 15, 2015 INJURED FIREFIGHTER

PEIRS: 2015-147

Time: 2022 hours
Location: Portage Township
Incident: A Portage Fire Department firefighter was treated for minor injuries after being struck by a hose line during a training evolution.

DECEMBER 17, 2015 TERRORISM – BOMB THREAT

PEIRS: 2015-148

Time: 1013 hours
Location: City of Johnstown
Incident: A bomb threat was received via text message at a daycare facility. The facility was checked with no device being found. The daycare resumed operations later in the day after a temporary evacuation.

DECEMBER 21, 2015 UTILITY EMERGENCY – POWER OUTAGE

PEIRS: 2015-149

Time: 0100 hours
Location: Northern Cambria Borough
Incident: A power outage affected an estimated 1,500 Penelec customers in Northern Cambria Borough.

DECEMBER 22, 2015 HAZMAT – CHEMICAL EXPOSURE

PEIRS: 2015-150

Time: 1302 hours
Location: Northern Cambria Borough
Incident: SHARP Stage 1 and EMA response to a commercial business to provide air monitoring after an individual performing maintenance on a blocked drain was overcome by the vapors created when two cleaning agents were accidentally mixture. FOLLOW-UP NOTE: The 68 YOA male later died due to complications from this chemical exposure.

DECEMBER 24, 2015 INDUSTRIAL STRUCTURE FIRE

PEIRS: 2015-151

Time: 0015 hours
Location: Susquehanna Township
Incident: SHARP Stage 1 and EMA response to an abandoned industrial facility fire that stored scrap tires both on the grounds and in the structures. The operation was no longer in operation. Provided air monitoring due to the potential for toxic smoke from the fire. DEP also responded to the scene.

DECEMBER 24, 2015 INDUSTRIAL STRUCTURE FIRE

PEIRS: 2015-152

Time: 1100 hours
Location: Susquehanna Township
Incident: Follow-up EMA response to the abandoned industrial facility involving scrap tires for ongoing air monitoring. Also deployed light tower trailer to assist with overnight security and fire-watch operations.

2015 PEIRS – continued

DECEMBER 25, 2015 MVC INVOLVING EMERGENCY UNIT PEIRS: 2015-153

Time: 1143 hours
Location: City of Johnstown
Incident: Motor vehicle crash involving an out-of-county ambulance and a car at the intersection of Franklin Street and Plainfield Avenue. One EMT aboard the ambulance was treated for minor injuries.

DECEMBER 27, 2015 POLICE STANDOFF PEIRS: 2015-154

Time: 0522 hours
Location: Ferndale Borough
Incident: Police were involved with a stand-off situation with a male in a residence. One police officer suffered a hand injury while taking the suspect into custody. The SERT was on standby.

DECEMBER 27, 2015 UTILITY EMERGENCY – POWER OUTAGE PEIRS: 2015-155

Time: 1702 hours
Location: Portage Borough
Incident: A transformer fire caused a power outage affecting an estimated (500) Penelec customers. Power restoration was completed by 2030 hours.

DECEMBER 29, 2015 UTILITY EMERGENCY – POWER OUTAGE PEIRS: 2015-156

Time: 0002 hours
Location: Richland Township
Incident: A transformer fire caused a power outage that affected the Richland Woods personal care facility – who were operating on emergency generator power. Penelec restored power by 0300 hours.

DECEMBER 29, 2015 UTILITY EMERGENCY – POWER OUTAGE(S) PEIRS: 2015-157

Time: 0245 hours
Location: Tunnelhill Borough; Washington Twp.; Cresson Twp.; Vintondale Borough;
Incident: Multiple power outages due to high wind conditions. No CI/KR facilities affected.

DECEMBER 31, 2015 MVC – ROAD CLOSURE PEIRS: 2015-158

Time: 1642 hours
Location: Jackson Township
Incident: Motor vehicle crash involving multiple vehicles closed the eastbound lanes of Route 22 near Chickoree Mountain.

END OF 2015 PEIRS

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RESPONSES

In CY 2015, Cambria County Emergency Management responded to the following incidents/events:

January 4, 2015

Lilly Borough

Assisted Lilly Area EMA Zone with identifying the source of a home heating oil spill into the Lilly Borough storm water system and then into Bear Rock Run. Assisted with further coordination with DEP notification and spill containment procedures. Environmental exposure was significant. DEP is coordinating clean-up efforts.

January 5, 2015

Cambria Township

Assisted the fire department with on-site clean-up coordination and responsible party identification for a diesel fuel spill at Martin's General Store. Minimal environmental exposure.

January 7, 2015

Cambria Township

Assisted the fire department and township officials on a follow-up investigation regarding an odor investigation at the Old School Apartments. Owner was using a grease and oil collection furnace as auxiliary heat and spilled product in the basement. Improper clean-up was attempted. Site visit established procedures and confirmed acceptable clean-up and disposal to be taken.

January 12, 2015

Ebensburg Borough

Assisted fire department by applying absorbents for the release of engine fluids onto the road surface (200 block of South Marion Street). The fire department was committed to a MVC with entrapment at the same time as the spill.

January 27, 2015

Northern Cambria Borough

Assisted the Northern Cambria School District with issues regarding the odor of propane within the Northern Cambria High School. The school was evacuated until ventilated by the fire department. No immediate source was identified.

January 28, 2015

Westmont Borough

Assisted the West Hills Fire Department with clean-up procedures for a gasoline leak on Goucher Street as the result of a motor vehicle crash.

February 2, 2015

Jefferson County

Assisted Jefferson County EMA and the PA State Police with barricades for the annual Groundhog Day Celebration in Punxsutawney.

February 6, 2015

Blacklick Township

Assisted Nanty Glo FD with PID interpretation of VOC readings taken from a residence with several occupants reporting illness symptoms.

February 7, 2015

Cambria Township

Assisted Cambria Township and the Cambria County SERT with the mobile command at the scene of a person barricaded in a residence on Hidden Meadow Lane. The individual was taken into custody without further incident.

EMA Responses – continued

February 11, 2015 Ebensburg Borough

Assisted Dauntless FD and Ebensburg Borough PD at multiple scenes of reported natural gas odors. Assisted with metering and gas company coordination. Source was traced to a disabled vehicle with a burning odor that mimicked natural gas odors.

February 12-20, 2015 Countywide

Multiple issues regarding frigid winter weather with temperatures being minus 10-15 degrees and wind chills of minus 30-40 degrees; accompanied by blowing and drifting snow.

Maintained department operations; assisted Portage FD with cots for homeless shelter.

February 13, 2015 Elder Township

Assisted Cambria SERT and local law enforcement with the deployment of the mobile command vehicle and EMA staff for a functional exercise with simulated active shooters at the Cambria Heights School District.

February 20, 2015 Ebensburg Borough

Responded to a water line break that caused a steam condition to activate the fire alarm system at the Cambria County Human Services Building. The water was shut off; the alarm system checked and reset; and repairs were made by maintenance and a contractor. 9-1-1 operations were not affected.

February 21, 2015 Summerhill & Wilmore Boroughs, Summerhill Township

Coordinated with municipal and fire officials regarding a water line break of a Highland Sewer & Water main line adjacent to the mainline railroad tracks parallel with the Route 53 corridor. Standby arrangements were made for emergency water tanks and water trailers. The leak was repaired without any deployment necessary.

February 22, 2015 East Taylor Township

Assisted Cambria CART and the JET Water Rescue Team with the deployment of animal rescue and water dive rescue equipment and personnel to a functional exercise with the simulated rescue of a horse through the ice at the Hinckston Run Reservoir.

February 24, 2015 Ferndale, Southmont and Westmont Boroughs; Upper Yoder and Stonycreek Townships:

Coordination with Penelec and several municipal EMAs regarding a widespread power outage and the possibility of opening warming centers due to the frigid cold and subsequent loss of power. Power was restored before the need to establish warming centers.

February 27, 2015 Richland Township

Assisted Johnstown Cambria County Airport officials with passenger transport from an Air Canada Express flight with thirty-eight souls on-board that made an emergency landing due to smoke in the cockpit. EMA coordinated with Camtran for a bus to make the transport. The aircraft landed safely; no injuries were reported.

EMA Responses – continued

March 2, 2015

Upper Yoder Township

Responded to a multi-vehicle crash site on State Route 271 (Menohar Boulevard) at which a West End Ambulance paramedic, operating at the scene, suffered fatal injuries when struck by a tri-axle truck that traveled through the accident scene. Verified CISM for responders and contacts with EMS council officials. Assisted in initiating coordination with several entities and with notifications to county and state officials.

March 3-5, 2015

City of Johnstown

Assisted with follow-up coordination and wake/funeral service logistics with West End Ambulance and Southern Alleghenies EMS (SAEMS) Council officials in regards to the paramedic fatality that occurred at the March 2nd incident (Line-of-duty-death / LODD)

March 4, 2015

Summerhill Borough

Responded to an ice jam along Laurel Run at the Main Street (SR 53) bridge that caused the waterway to overflow. Three residences and one business received moderate flood damage until the ice jam could be broken. Route 53 was closed by PennDOT. The Red Cross and CEMA assisted at the scene.

March 6, 2015

City of Johnstown

Assisted with resource deployments (barricades and vehicles), public official liaisons, and funeral services for the West End Ambulance paramedic LODD on March 2nd.

April 3, 2015

Cambria Township

Assisted PSP Fire Marshal and Revloc Fire Company at the scene of a residential structure fire with two fatalities in coordinating the services of a demolition contractor to remove structural hazards and to conduct a victim search.

April 10, 2015

Jackson Township

Assisted the DEP and Jackson Township Fire Company at a gasoline release at a gas station on William Penn Avenue. An unknown quantity was located flowing down the parking lot and adjacent terrain – spread by a moderate rainfall. The source is undetermined. Evidence was found of a possible surface release from an unknown source. DEP is investigating the possibility of an UG storage tank issue. The Jackson Township Water Authority assisted by trenching a containment pool along the lot perimeter to contain any additional run-off of rain water and fuel. Nearby Laurel Run had no evidence of infiltration of product at the time of our response.

April 16, 2015

Middle Taylor Township

Response to a commercial property on Benshoff Hill Road to investigate a National Response Center (NRC) report of a fluid leak into the storm drain. Anonymous complaint was determined to be unfounded. DEP also advised of situation and determination. Incident terminated.

April 17, 2015

City of Johnstown

Assisted Cambria SERT and local law enforcement with the deployment of the mobile command vehicle to the Oakhurst Homes for a barricaded suspect. The suspect surrendered soon after without incident and the response was cancelled while enroute.

EMA Responses – continued

May 16, 2015

Richland Township

Participation in a full-scale exercise at the Johnstown Cambria County Airport for an FAA-certification exercise. Deployed Command 11 and provided on-scene coordination for exercise.

May 16, 2015

Richland Township

Participation in a full-scale exercise at the Johnstown Cambria County Airport for the county hazardous material response (SHARP) team's PEMA re-certification exercise. Deployed Command 11 for communications and command operations.

May 18, 2015

Gallitzin Township

Assisted Gallitzin Fire and Gallitzin Township Police at the scene of a single fatality drowning at the Gallitzin # 4 Reservoir.

May 21-22, 2015

Special Detail

Assisted the PA State Police at their request with resource management at the memorial service and funeral for Trooper Patrick Stewart who passed away unexpectedly in a non-line-of-duty death while out of state with family.

- Memorial Service - May 21, 2015
- Funeral Detail - May 22, 2015

May 19, 2015

Countywide

Primary election day stand-by for election poll sites in cooperation with the Office of Elections.

May 28-29, 2015

City of Johnstown

Assisted city of Johnstown EMA and public works department with barricades for security operations at the annual Showcase for Commerce defense trade show and related activities.

June 12, 2015

Summerhill Borough

Assisted local emergency services, Norfolk Southern Rail Corporation and Amtrak with on-scene coordination for a motor vehicle accident involving a tri-axle truck carrying coal that lost its brakes while descending a hill and went over an embankment – severely damaging two rail lines and covering a third rail line with coal. All three tracks of the Norfolk Southern mainline tracks were affected - interrupting all train traffic - both eastbound and westbound.

June 16-17, 2015

City of Johnstown

Coordinated with PennDOT regarding the closing and detour notifications; and did a follow-up on-site visit in regards to a rock slide on Route 56. Both the east and westbound lanes have been closed while PennDOT and a private contractor performed mitigation operations on the hillside.

June 18, 2015

Non-Site Specific

The Department of Emergency Services participated in a planned SERT training exercise at the Cambria County Fire School site with Mobile Command 11 and communications staff.

EMA Responses – continued

June 20, 2015

Countywide

EOC activation and EMA field-response to incidents related to flash flooding from heavy rains – primarily in southern and central Cambria County. Damages basically limited to flooded basements; flooded roadways; mud/rock slides; trees/wires down. No injuries reported. All rivers and streams running high but within their banks.

June 21, 2015

City of Johnstown

Response of the Johnstown FD and Cambria County Swift Water Rescue Teams to rescue a capsized kayaker in the Stonycreek River. The kayaker was no injured.

June 22-23, 2015

City of Johnstown / Richland Township

Non-emergency resource deployment for public safety requirements for the Thunder in the Valley motorcycle rally and related events scheduled to be held on June 25-28.

June 24, 2015

Richland Township

Assisted the Richland Township Police Department in identifying an unknown type powder found in the terminal building at the Johnstown Cambria County Airport. The substance was determined to be non-hazardous and was not considered suspicious in nature.

June 25-28, 2015

City of Johnstown

Non-emergency/scheduled deployment and staffing of Mobile Command 11 to the Thunder in the Valley event to assist with city emergency communications and event coordination.

July 15-20, 2015

Jackson Township

Non-emergency resource deployment (barricades, light towers) for public safety requirements for the Jackson Township Heritage Days event on July 17-19.

July 16, 2015

Elder Township

Assisted the Elder Township Water Authority at a water line break that drained the local reservoir leaving (70) residences without water. EMA stood by with a water trailer until repairs were made and the reservoir recovered.

July 25- August 1, 2015

Nanty Glo Borough

Non-emergency resource deployment (barricades) for public safety requirements at the Volunteer Firemen's Convention of Cambria County being hosted by the Nanty Glo Fire Company on July 25 - August 1.

July 30, 2015

Ebensburg Borough

Responded to and assisted at the scene of a motor vehicle accident involving an overturned tractor trailer truck on Candlelight Drive leading to the county Human Services Building. Coordinated traffic control, the early release of county staff due to access and egress issues to the facility, and with the reclamation of the trailer cargo with the towing company.

EMA Responses – continued

July 31, 2015

Portage Borough

Assisted the Cambria County DUI Task Force with Command 11 at a scheduled DUI check point in Portage Borough.

August 2, 2015

City of Johnstown

Cambria CART assisted the Red Cross at a 3-alarm residential structure fire on Fronheiser Street with animal cages for displaced cats and dogs.

August 7-9, 2015

City of Johnstown

Non-emergency resource deployment (barricades and Bobcat w/suppression skid) for public safety requirements at the Flood City Music Festival in PNG Park.

August 10, 2015

Southmont Borough

NRC Notification # 1125232: Site inspection of a commercial property on Southmont Boulevard based on a complaint received by the NRC regarding ground and water contamination from oil. Inspection of the site determined the complaint to be unfounded. Incident was closed.

August 11, 2015

Stonycreek Township

Natural gas release caused when a contractor struck an unmapped line under Bedford Street during excavation. An evacuation order was cancelled after the gas release was shut off by Peoples Natural Gas crews on-site. EMA originally responded to assist FD with evacuation. Repairs initiated without further incident.

August 14-16, 2015

Richland Township

Non-emergency resource deployment (barricades and light tower) for public safety requirements at the Richland Days celebration.

August 18, 2015

Northern Cambria Borough

Assisted Cambria SERT and local law enforcement with the deployment of the mobile command vehicle to the old Spangler area of the Borough for a barricaded suicidal suspect. The suspect surrendered after a four-hour stand-off.

August 22, 2015

City of Johnstown

Provided barricades for the closure of Adams Street due to a partial collapse of a vacant 4-story commercial building with debris landing in the street. No injuries were reported.

August 24, 2015

Barr Township

Deployed portable water trailer for non-potable needs to the Moss Creek area due to a pump malfunction at the Moss Creek Reservoir that left low water pressure in the system and the reservoir drained. Repairs by the Moss Creek water Authority were initiated that same day.

August 25, 2015

Portage Township

Follow-up coordination with Portage Area School District staff regarding the scheduled spraying for controlling the West Nile Virus near sports fields around the Portage Area School District complex. Also coordinated with the Cambria County Vector Control coordinator.

EMA Responses - continued

August 26, 2015

Cambria Township

Assisted county prison officials with the identification of contraband confiscated in the facility from a prisoner. The substance identified as non-hazardous.

September 4-6, 2015

City of Johnstown

Non-emergency resource deployment (barricades and Bobcat w/suppression skid) for public safety requirements at the Ethnic Festival.

September 6, 2015

Susquehanna Township

Assisted Hope Fire Company with containment procedures and DEP notification for a heating oil release from a residence at 263 Peg Run Road.

September 18, 2015

Stonycreek Township

Assisted Stonycreek Township Police Department and the Oakland Fire Department with barricades and lighting at the scene of a motor vehicle crash on Route 56 (Bedford Street) that resulted in a wide-spread power outage and a pole/wires/transformer down blocking the roadway

September 18, 2015

City of Johnstown

Assisted the Cambria County DUI Task Force with Command 11 at a scheduled DUI check point in the City of Johnstown.

September 23, 2015

Elder Township

Responded and coordinated with both Golden Living Center and Miners Hospital due to a power outage in the area. Both facilities were operating on emergency power.

September 24, 2015

Scalp Level Borough

Follow-up to a National Response Center (NRC) notification regarding a complaint received reporting an oil spill in a residence at 428 Main Street. Prior-incident had been attended to by landlord. Assisted by Scalp Level FD officials. DEP had also inspected the site previously.

September 26-30, 2015

City of Johnstown

Non-emergency resource deployment (Mobile command post, barricades (2-sets) and light tower for public safety requirements at the Hockeyville celebration event and the exhibition NHL game at the Cambria County War Memorial.

September 29, 2015

City of Johnstown

Non-emergency deployment and staffing of the mobile command post to assist with emergency service coordination and communications for the Hockeyville events throughout game day.

September 30, 2015

Reade Township

Assisted the Reade Township Fire Company and the Glendale Area School District at the scene of a car/school bus accident at 2160 Beaver Valley Road near SR 53 in Flinton. (25) Students were on the bus. (4) Students and the driver of the car were transported to UPMC-Altoona by ambulance with apparent minor injuries.

EMA Responses – continued

October 7, 2015

City of Johnstown

Non-emergency deployment of two sets of barricades for traffic control and perimeter safety zoning on SR 56 for scheduled blasting by PennDOT required to remove the rock face at the site of a previous rockslide that closed SR 56.

October 26, 2015

City of Johnstown

Non-emergency deployment of two sets of barricades for traffic control and perimeter safety zoning for the Johnstown Halloween Parade on October 29th.

October 26, 2015

Jackson Township

Assisted PennDOT and the Jackson Township FD with incident coordination on US Route 22 at the SR Route 271 interchange after a commercial vehicle struck the bridge underside with an excessive height load and caused damage to the bridge structure.

November 2, 2015

Lower Yoder Township

Follow-up coordination with PEMA's Unconventional Well-Site Program in regards to the 10/30/15 gas well fire on Laurel Mountain.

November 3, 2015

Countywide

Assisted the County Elections Office with a standby for any emergency situation that could affect the polling sites or the election process in the general election.

November 9, 2015

Nanty Glo Borough

Follow-up coordination with the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), the PA State Police fire marshal and the Nanty Glo Fire Department at the scene of a structure fire that occurred 11/8/15 at the First Baptist Church.

November 17, 2015

Cambria Township

Assisted local fire departments at a large wildfire in the Winterset area of Cambria Township.

November 18, 2015

Cambria Township

Standby with fire and EMS units assisting SERT, PSP and the DA's office for a high-risk warrant operation in Cambria Township.

November 19, 2015

Richland Township

Non-emergency deployment of barricades for traffic control and perimeter safety zoning at Richland High School for a PIAA district football championship game on Friday, November 20th and the PIAA state volleyball championships on Saturday, November 21st.

November 28, 2015

Westmoreland County

Cambria SERT deployment with Mobile Command 11 to assist at the scene of a police officer down during a domestic call in the Borough of New Florence. The police officer suffered a fatal gunshot wound. The suspect was taken into custody.

EMA Responses – continued

November 30 – December 4, 2015 Cambria County

Wake service and funeral coordination assistance to Westmoreland County, Richland Township and the City of Johnstown in regards to the line-of-duty death (LODD) of police officer Lloyd Reed, Jr. from the St. Clair Township Police Department. Deployment of barricades and electronic sign boards to the City for the funeral. EMA staff deployed for wake service and funeral.

December 1, 2015 Nanty Glo Borough

Assisted Nanty Glo Fire Company at the Blacklick Valley High School for a reported odor of propane gas. The school was evacuated and students dismissed. The propane gas leak was traced to an emergency generator malfunction within the school. No exposure injuries were reported.

December 2, 2015 Cambria Township

Responded to assist fire department on a Stage 1 SHARP response for a heating oil release in a residence at 243 Twenty Row Road. An estimated 100 gallons of product drained from a faulty tank fitting into a dirt surface. Environmental impact was minimal.

December 9, 2015 West Carroll Township

Follow-up response to a Stage 1 hazmat incident on 12/8/15 for a heating oil spill at a vacant residence at 234 Second Street in the Village of Elmora. An undetermined quantity was released over a period of time onto the ground surface causing soil contamination. Assisted DEP with coordinating site remediation / clean-up with the property owner.

December 24, 2015 Susquehanna Township

Assisted SHARP on a Stage 1 response at the scene of an industrial tire recycling facility fire. Provided emergency response personnel with hazard advisories; clean-up and overhaul recommendations; and on-site security recommendations. Coordinated with DEP personnel on-scene; provided situational information to PEMA.

December 24, 2015 Susquehanna Township

Responded portable light tower to the scene of an industrial tire recycling facility fire at Allegheny Environmental Solutions to assist with overnight security operations.

December 30, 2015 Ebensburg Borough

Assisted with the evacuation of pets from a commercial structure fire involving a pet store. No pets were injured in the fire.

END OF EMA RESPONSES

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING PROJECTS

- (1) The following **SARA Facility Off-Site Emergency Plans** were reviewed and/or updated during CY 2015:

AC Power - Colver
Mine 42 Wastewater Treatment Facility
AT&T Network - Johnstown
Cambria Cogen
Cambria Township Sewer Authority – Revloc
Cambria Township Water Authority
Carrolltown Water Treatment Facility
Carrolltown Municipal Authority Wastewater Treatment Facility
Concurrent Technology Center ETF
Ebensburg Borough Water Treatment Facility
Ebensburg Power Company
Forest Hills Municipal Authority
Galliker Dairy Company
Gallitzin Water Authority
Hastings Municipal Authority Water Treatment Facility
Home Depot
Highland Sewer & Water Authority – Bear Rock
Highland Sewer & Water Authority – Beaver Dam
Highland Sewer & Water Authority – Benscreek Wells
Highland Sewer & Water Authority – Lloydell Wells
Indiana County Municipal Authority Water Treatment Facility
Johnstown Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility
Johnstown Wire Technology
Kongsberg Protech Systems USA
Korns Galvanizing
Lilly Borough Water Treatment Facility
Nanty Glo Water Treatment Facility
North American Hoganas
Northern Cambria Borough Pool
Northern Cambria Borough Pump Station
Northern Cambria Water Treatment Facility
Patton Borough Water Treatment Facility
Pepsi – Laurel
Pepsi – Production
Portage Municipal Authority – Benscreek
Portage Municipal Authority – Martindale
Riverside Water Treatment Facility
Saint Francis University Swimming Pool
Saint Francis University Water Treatment Facility
Saint Francis University Wastewater Treatment Facility
Verizon - Benscreek
Verizon - Cresson
Verizon - East Taylor
Verizon - Ebensburg
Verizon - Geistown
Verizon - Hastings
Verizon - Johnstown CO
Verizon - Nanty Glo
Verizon - Northern Cambria
Verizon Wireless - Richland Township

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- (2) The following **School Emergency Operations Plans** were reviewed and/or updated during CY 2015:

Admiral Peary Area Vo-Tech School
Blacklick Valley School District
Cambria Heights School District
Central Cambria School District
Ferndale Area School District
Forest Hills School District
Greater Johnstown School District
Penn Cambria School District
Richland Area School District
St. Andrew School (Johnstown)
Saint Francis University
Westmont Hilltop School District

- (3) The following **Municipal Emergency Operations Plans** were reviewed and/or updated during CY 2015:

Adams Township
Allegheny Township
Barr Township
Blacklick Township Zone (Blacklick Twp., Nanty Glo Borough, Vintondale Borough)
Brownstown Borough
Carrolltown Area Zone (Carrolltown Borough, East Carroll Twp., West Carroll Twp.)
Central Cambria Zone (Ebensburg Borough, Cambria Township)
Chest Springs Borough
Chest Township
Clearfield Township
Conemaugh Area Zone (Conemaugh Township, Daisytown Borough)
Cresson Area Zone (Cresson Borough, Cresson Township, Sankertown Borough)
Croyle Township
Dean Township
East Taylor Township
Portage Township
Upper Yoder Township
Wilmore Borough

- (4) The following Emergency Operation Plans for **personal care facilities** were reviewed and/or updated during CY 2015:

Amber Springs Personal Care Home	Upper Yoder Township
Arbutus Park Manor	Richland Township
Brookside Manor	Portage Borough
Harmony House	Geistown Borough
John Paul Manor II	Cresson Borough
Just Like Home	Cresson Township
St. Stephen's Living Center	Nanty Glo Borough
Westmont Woods	Upper Yoder Township

Planning - continued

- (5) The following Emergency Operations Plans for **nursing care facilities** were reviewed and/or updated during CY 2015.

Cambria Care	(Cambria Township)
Laurelwood Specialty Care Home	(Upper Yoder Township)
Westmont Woods	(Upper Yoder Township)

- (6) The following Emergency Operation Plans for **child day care facilities** were reviewed and/or updated during CY 2015:

Cambria County Head Start (CAPCC)
Ginia's House Day Care
Li'l Rascals Day Care, Johnstown
Mom's House, Inc., Johnstown
Tonya Kautz's Daycare, Nanty Glo
Sandy Brown's Day Care
The Giggle Factory, LLC, Portage
The Growing Tree Children's Academy (Salix)
The Learning Lamp / Central Cambria Program
The Learning Lamp - Forest Hills Before / After Program (Sidman)
The Learning Lamp / Jackson Township Program
The Learning Lamp - Richland Before / After Program (Johnstown)
The Learning Lamp - St. Benedict After-School Program (Johnstown)
The Learning Lamp Center for Children @ GJCTC
The Learning Lamp Child Daycare Center @ MMC
The Little Learning Lamp - Westmont

- (7) The following Emergency Operation Plans or Site Response Plans for **special facilities** were reviewed and/or updated during CY 2015:

Cambria County Association for the Blind – Ebensburg EAP
Cambria County Association for the Blind – Johnstown EAP
Cambria County Juvenile Detention Center Fire Evacuation Plan
Cambria CoGen Emergency Action Plan
CPV Fairview Energy Preliminary EOP
Ebensburg Center EOP
Rock Run Recreation Park EAP
Sunoco Logistics LLC / Mariner East Pressure Station - Cambria Township

- (8) The following **Special Event Plans** were updated during CY 2015:

Cambria County Fair EOP
General Election EOP
Jackson Township Heritage Festival EAP
Johnstown Folk Fest EAP
Potato Fest EAP
Primary Election Day EOP
Thunder in the Valley Motorcycle Rally EOP
Wheel & Wings EOP

Planning – continued

The Department of Homeland Security CY 2016 Special Event Data Call was submitted to the DHS in August, highlighting the following planned events for 2016:

- All-American Amateur Baseball Association (AAABA) Tournament
- Thunder in the Valley Motorcycle Rally
- Wheels & Wings Motorcycle Rally
- Forest Hills Craft Festival
- AmeriServ Folk Festival
- Cambria County Fair
- Johnstown Halloween Parade

- (9) The following Emergency Operations Plans or non-specified plans for **special considerations** were reviewed and/or updated during CY 2015:

Bakken Crude Oil Emergency Action Plan
Cambria County EOP ESF # 4 (Firefighting)
Cambria County EOP ESF # 13 (Public Safety & Security)
Cambria County EOP ESF # 14 (Long-Term Community Recovery)
Cambria County EOP ESF #15 (External Affairs)
Cambria County All-Hazards Mitigation Plan (Note: In Progress)
Cambria County Mass Fatality Plan
Cambria County SHARP Hazmat Team SOG
Cambria County SHARP Hazmat Team - Scene Monitoring & Detection SOG (New)
DaVita Dialysis, Cambria Township (Facility operations EAP)
DaVita Dialysis, Richland Township (Facility operations EAP)
First Energy Road Closure EAP (Draft)
Region 13 Agriculture & Animal Emergency Resource Guide
Region 13 THIRA Assessment
StormReady Severe Weather EOP
2016 Homeland Security Special Event Data Report

** NOTE: The Pennsylvania State Emergency Operations Plan, signed off on by Governor Tom Wolf, was reviewed and distributed to strategic sites in Cambria County in August.

- (10) The following Emergency Action Plans (EAP) for **water dams** or **flood protection projects (FPP)** were reviewed and/or updated during CY 2015:

Dalton Run Dam EAP
Gallitzin Reservoir # 4 EAP
Gallitzin Reservoir # 5 EAP
Hinckston Run Dam EAP
North Fork Dam EAP
Saltlick Dam EAP
Swartz Dam EAP
Williams Run Dam EAP

Barnesboro Flood Protection Emergency Action Plan (Northern Cambria Borough)
Johnstown Local Flood Protection Project
Vintondale Flood Control Project

Planning – continued

- (11) The following **Downstream Notification Plans / Spill Prevention & Response Plans (SPCC-SPR)** were reviewed during CY 2015:

Christoff-Mitchell Petroleum, Northern Cambria Borough
HRI, Inc., Richland Township
Johnstown Wire Technologies, City of Johnstown
Martin Oil Company, Cambria Township

- (12) The following sites had a Phase I Environmental Assessment performed during CY 2015 for the purpose of economic development:

101 Bridge Street, Johnstown 15901
570 Galleria Drive, Richland Township
300 Market Street, Johnstown 15901
Main Street (x2), Susquehanna Township
Peg Run Road (x2), Susquehanna Township
Tubo Street, Susquehanna Township
Willy's Road, Susquehanna Township
Municipal Road, Susquehanna Township
Miller Street, Susquehanna Township
Shawna Road (x4), Susquehanna Township
1622 Menoher Boulevard, Johnstown 15905
1627 Menoher Boulevard, Johnstown 15905
1635 Menoher Boulevard, Johnstown 15905
1641 Menoher Boulevard, Johnstown 15905
1650 Menoher Boulevard, Johnstown 15905
1706 Menoher Boulevard, Johnstown 15905
1702 Shelbourne Drive, Johnstown 15905
1630 Shelbourne Drive, Johnstown 15905
1626 Shelbourne Drive, Johnstown 15905
1502 Goucher Street, Johnstown 15905
1417 Goucher Street, Johnstown 15905
1413 Goucher Street, Johnstown 15905
1407 Goucher Street, Johnstown 15905
1300 Goucher Street, Johnstown 15905

- (13) The following **Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs)** were renewed with the Cambria County Emergency Management Agency during CY 2015:

American Red Cross – PA Mountains Chapter
FCI-Loretto (Federal Bureau of Prisons)

- (14) The following Emergency Evacuation Action Plans for municipalities were reviewed and/or updated during 2015:

Ashville Borough
Dean Township
Gallitzin Township
Portage Township

Planning – continued

- (15) The following entities had their respective National Incident Management System (NIMS) data files updated during CY 2015:

Adams Township
Cambria Township
Chest Township
Daisytown Borough
East Taylor Township
Gallitzin Borough
Johnstown, City of
Northern Cambria Borough
Sankertown Borough
Stonycreek Township
Tunnelhill Borough
Westmont Borough
Cambria County DES

Allegheny Township
Carrolltown Borough
Clearfield Township
Dale Borough
Ebensburg Borough
Geistown Borough
Lilly Borough
Reade Township
South Fork Borough
Summerhill Borough
Washington Township
Wilmore Borough

Blacklick Township
Cassandra Borough
Cresson Borough
East Carroll Township
Ehrenfeld Borough
Hastings Borough
Loretto Borough
Richland Township
Southmont Borough
Summerhill Township
West Carroll Township
Cresson Fire Company

COUNTY RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (RMP)

Cambria County Emergency Management has been tasked by the Cambria County Board of Commissioners with being a lead partner with several other county departments in managing the county risk management program (RMP). The RMP is designed to develop and manage safety and health initiatives for county employees and county facilities. An additional benefit is also to assist in keeping county insurance costs at the lowest expense possible.

In 2015, Cambria County Emergency Management conducted the following coordination and participated in the identified RMP activities as part of the county risk management program:

- January 13 Attended the Central Park Complex facility safety committee meeting.
- January 22 Attended the Human Services Building facility safety committee meeting.
- February 10 Attended the Central Park Complex facility safety committee meeting.
- February 16 Ronald Springer met with the County Chief Clerk Jim Bonini, Deputy Chief Clerk Tara Keilman and Grant Writer John Dubnansky regarding grant management.
- February 24 Ronald Springer met with County Maintenance Director Pat Kelly and Gallagher & Company regarding workers compensation and safety operations.
- March 12 Ronald Springer met with Dennis Cutler from the County Commissioners' Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP) regarding safety program initiatives.
- March 19 Attended the Human Services Building facility safety committee meeting.
- April 8 Ronald Springer coordinated risk management operations training at the Cambria County Courthouse.
- June 3 Ronald Springer attended the County Risk Manager's Council workshop held at the Regional Learning Alliance complex in Cranberry Township.
- June 16 The Department of Emergency Services, in cooperation with the Johnstown Fire Department, conducted a fire evacuation drill at the Central Park Complex.
- July 16 Attended the Human Services Building facility safety committee meeting.
- July 30 Ronald Springer participated in the C-CAP program "Stress and Your Health".
- August 6 Ronald Springer and Pat Kelly (County Maintenance Director) met with the INSERTCO representative to review county safety programs and workmen's compensation issues.
- September 17 Attended the Human Services Building facility safety committee meeting.
- October 7 Ronald Springer attended the CCAP safety workshop held in State College.
- October 13 Ronald Springer attended the CCAP management workshop in State College.
- November 2 Coordinated and conducted a planned power outage and subsequent extended test of the Human Services Building emergency generator systems that included the county EMA, 9-1-1 and EOC operations.
- November 12 Attended the Human Services Building facility safety committee meeting.

SAFE SCHOOLS COORDINATOR NETWORK

The Safe School's Network is designed to provide emergency planning education and response coordination with pre-schools, parochial schools, public school districts, colleges and universities through the Department of Emergency Services.

In 2015, the development and delivery of the A.L.I.C.E. program (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate) – was undertaken by Daniel Blackburn and Robbin Melnyk along with assistance from the Cambria SERT and local law enforcement. In addition, protective action exercises (evacuations, sheltering-in-place, and lockdowns) were conducted in regards to severe weather, fire emergencies, and active shooters/intruders).

Initiatives conducted in 2015 were as follows:

- April 7th, 2015 Regional ALICE program Hosted by Richland School District

Presenters included the Cambria County Emergency Services staff, Cambria County SERT members, and the Johnstown Police Department. Schools and agencies in attendance were:

All Saints Catholic School
Appalachia Intermediate Unit 08
Beginnings, Inc.
Berlin Brothers Valley School District
Bishop McCort Catholic School
Blacklick Valley School District
Blair County Sheriff's Department
Cambria County Board of Commissioners
Cambria County Child Development Corporation
Cambria County Department of Emergency Services (EMA/911)
Cambria County District Attorney's Office
Cambria County SERT
Cambria Heights School District
Cambria Rowe Business College
Cambria Township Police Department
Cathedral Catholic Academy
Central Cambria School District
Conemaugh Township Area School District
Conemaugh Township Police Department (Somerset County)
Conemaugh Valley School District
Dale Borough Emergency Management
Fayette County EMA/9-1-1
Ferndale Area School District
Forest Hills School District
Greater Johnstown Career & Technology Center
Greater Johnstown School District
Hollidaysburg Borough Police Department
Hollidaysburg Catholic School
Holy Name Elementary School
Indiana County Technology Center
Johnstown Christian School
Johnstown Police Department
Learning Lamp
Ligonier Borough Police Department
Ligonier Valley School District
Loretto Borough School District

(Safe Schools - April 7th ALICE Program Attendees – continued)

Memorial Medical Center
Meyersdale Borough Police Department
Mount Aloysius College
National Park Service
North Star School District
Northern Cambria School District
Our Mother of Sorrows School
Pennsylvania State Police
Portage Area School District
Purchase Line School District
Richland School District
Richland Township Emergency Management
Saint Benedict School – Johnstown
Saint Francis University Police Department
Saint John the Evangelist School
Saint Patrick School - Newry
Saint Peter School – Somerset
Somerset Alliance Christian School
Somerset County Department of Emergency Services
Summerhill Township Police Department
Tussey Mountain School District
Uniontown Area School District
United School District
University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown Police Department
UPMC – Altoona
Westmont Hilltop School District
Westmoreland County Park Police
Windber Borough Police Department
WyoTech

- August 24, 2015 ALICE program United School District
- August 25, 2015 ALICE program Richland School District
- August 13, 2015 Active shooter exercise Mount Aloysius College.
- October 12, 2015 Protective action exercises Portage Area School District
- October 12, 2015 ALICE program Central Cambria School District
- November 2, 2015 ALICE program Richland Area School District

Essential resource information was provided to all schools regarding the following subjects:

- Program funding availability for school safety from the Center for Safe Schools
- Department of Homeland Security Report titled “ K-12 School Outreach Initiative: Analysis and Key Findings” (June 2015)
- Safety bulletin from the U.S. Chemical Safety Board (CSB) was forwarded to all schools regarding classroom chemical demonstrations after a classroom incident that injured several students and a teacher at a high school in Fairfax County, Virginia.

TEAM COORDINATION AND/OR SUPPORT

SHARP HAZMAT TEAM

The Special Hazards Assistance Response Program, known as SHARP, is a state-certified hazardous material response team certified to the NFPA 472 standard.

- (1) The 2015 team membership roster was:

SHARP Team Officers

SHARP 1	Ronald Springer	SHARP 6	Chris Burns
SHARP 2	Dennis Kwiatkowski	SHARP 7	Anthony Kovacic
SHARP 3	Kenneth Link	SHARP 8	Frank Hribar
SHARP 4	William Claar	SHARP 9	Thomas Buchan
SHARP 5	Ronald McCoy	SHARP 10	Robbin Melnyk

SHARP Team Members

Byron Bishop	Ben Huether	Philip Marshall
Daniel Blackburn	Chris Huether	Troy Mickey
David Breyer	Steve Kass	Todd Miller
David Bridge	Tony Kass	Daniel Morris
Mark Coleman	Craig Kelley	James Nagle
Dan Conway	Allen Kline	Brian Neilson
Robert Crum	William Kline	Ben Peacock
Mel Foust	Dennis Knisely	Matt Rainey
Chris Guizio	Pete Long	Chad Richardson
		Scott Stinson

In addition – these three fire departments are in partnership with SHARP and provide both firefighters and equipment to support team operations:

Johnstown Fire Department – Certified hazmat technicians
Dauntless Fire Company – Apparatus operators
Hope Fire Company – Decontamination team operations

- (2) In 2015, SHARP Hazmat Team had (10) responses:

January 5, 2015 **STAGE 1** **Cambria Township**
Stage 1 response to assist Dauntless Fire Company at a diesel fuel spill from a truck estimated at fifty gallons at Martin's General Store. Provided containment assistance and coordinated product disposal with facility management. Minimal environmental exposure.

January 5, 2015 **STAGE 1** **Lilly Borough**
Stage 1 response to assist Lilly Fire Company, Lilly Borough and the Lilly Area EMA Zone at a home heating oil spill at 411 Main Street. Assisted with spill investigation; tracking product spill; and clean-up coordination. On-site coordination also included DEP and the responsible homeowner. Estimated product lost was 100 gallons.

SHARP – continued

March 16, 2015 **STAGE 1** **Cresson Township**
Stage 1 response to assist Cresson Fire Company with containment and product recovery at a diesel fuel spill from a tri-axle parked at the Sheetz convenience store. An estimated 120 gallons of product was released onto the roadway and a paved parking area. No environmental exposure was identified.

March 31, 2015 **STAGE 1** **Cambria Township**
Stage 1 response to assist the PA State Police at a traffic stop for a tractor trailer leaking a fluid from a box trailer. It was determined that the leak was a low-grade hazardous waste (used cleaning solvent) product. The truck was escorted by PSP and a SHARP unit back to the facility site in Seward to be over-packed and the truck floor surface cleansed.

May 16, 2015 **STAGE 2** **Richland Township**
Responded with a Stage 2 deployment for a full-scale exercise at the Johnstown Cambria County Airport for a simulated aircraft down with injuries. Performed decontamination operations for emergency response personnel.

October 5, 2015 **STAGE 1** **Portage Township**
Stage 1 response for a heating oil release in a fire-damaged residential structure. An undetermined amount of product entered the basement drain and flowed into the storm/sanitary sewer. On-scene crews from the sewer authority and Portage Township supervisors assisted in excavating the line and blocking the product flow from the sewer. A commercial clean-up company was contacted to provide site remediation. DEP and PSP also assisted with scene coordination.

December 2, 2015 **STAGE 1** **Cambria Township**
Stage 1 response for a heating oil release in a residence at 243 Twenty Row Road. An estimated 100 gallons of product drained from a faulty tank fitting into a dirt floor basement. Assisted FD with containment and clean-up procedures. Coordinated with homeowner and DEP. Environmental impact was minimal.

December 8, 2015 **STAGE 1** **West Carroll Township**
Stage 1 response for a heating oil spill at a residence at 234 Second Street in the Village of Elmora. An undetermined quantity was released over a period of time since September 2015 onto the ground surface. Ground contamination was visible. DEP is handling site remediation / clean-up with the property owner.

December 22, 2015 **STAGE 1** **Northern Cambria Borough**
Stage 1 response to the Barnesboro VFW to assist fire personnel with the determination of product characteristics and air monitoring at the scene of a chemical exposure to a mixture of cleaning products. One respiratory injury occurred to a VFW member.

December 24, 2015 **STAGE 1** **Susquehanna Township**
Stage 1 response with a subsequent follow-up response to the scene of an industrial tire recycling facility fire. Provided on-scene air monitoring; advised emergency response personnel and clean-up contractors with hazard advisories; coordinated with DEP personnel on-scene; provided situational information to PEMA.

SHARP – continued

(3) SHARP Hazmat Team training conducted throughout 2015 was as follows:

January 21, 2015	Hazmat ID operational review Location: Cambria County EOC	4 hours
January 28, 2015	PPE/CPC Review (FSC 362) (Level A and B suits – Donning/Doffing) Location: Ebensburg	3 hours
March 2, 2015	Hazmat Operations Refresher (FSC 737) Location: Ebensburg	6 hours
March 4, 2015	SCBA Fit-testing / HMRT Exercise Review Location: Ebensburg	2 hours
March 25, 2015	Hazmat Incident Scene Management (FSC 1011) Location Ebensburg	3 hours
March 31, 2015	Emergency Management Awareness Program Location: Ebensburg	3 hours
April 29, 2015	Decontamination: Review (FSC 361) Location: Ebensburg	3 hours
May 16, 2015	Full-Scale Exercise – FAA Certification Location: Johnstown Cambria County Airport Simulated aircraft down - decontamination operations	3 hours
May 16, 2015	Full-Scale Exercise – PEMA’s HMRT Re-Certification Location: Richland Township Simulated corrosive spill with victim exposure	4 hours
June 9, 2015	Response to Railroad Incidents Involving Hazmat Location: Norfolk Southern RR – Altoona	3 hours
July 21, 2015	Decontamination Training Location: Hope Fire Company (Northern Cambria)	3 hours
July 23, 2015	Mass Decontamination Training Location: Somerset County Airport, Friedens Note: Cambria, Somerset, Indiana, Westmoreland and Fayette County HMRTs all in attendance.	4 hours
July 28, 2015	Mass Decontamination Training Location: Hope FD, Northern Cambria	4 hours
August 26, 2015	Hospital Mass Decontamination Training Location: Miners Hospital of Northern Cambria	2 hours
August 31, 2015	Pipeline Operations / Flammable Gases Course Location: Mariner East pressure station, Cambria Twp. Provided via Sunoco Logistics LLC	4 hours

SHARP Training - continued

September 3, 2015	Amtrak & Railroad Emergency Training Location: Mount Aloysius College Provided via AMTRAK Region 3	3 hours
October 7, 2015	Pipeline Awareness and Safety Program Location: Altoona Provided by the Paradigm Pipeline Operators Consortia	2 hours
December 16, 2015	Flammable Liquids Review (Focus: Ethanol) (FSC 162) Location: Ebensburg	3 hours

- (4) The PEMA-required 4-year hazmat response team re-certification process initially began in May with a full-scale exercise being conducted on May 16th.

The re-certification process, is mandated for compliance with Act 165. Act 165 regulates the response for any hazardous materials team within the Commonwealth.

The exercise was evaluated by a five-person team through the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency. The Department of Health, the Department of Environmental Protection and the Office of the State Fire Commissioner were among the evaluators.

Thirty members of SHARP participated in a simulated exercise that involved a pressurized cylinder and a leaking drum in a cargo box truck with a victim down from chemical exposure. Exercise operations included scene safety/management; chemical metering and monitoring; victim packaging and decontamination; product containment; and drum over-packing.

The re-certification process continued with a review of the following on July 7th by PEMA and the aforementioned 5-person certification team:

- Team equipment
- Team apparatus
- Standard operating guidelines (SOG)
- Health and medical program
- Criminal background clearance checks
- General management operations

SHARP was successful in its re-certification quest and on August 31, 2015 SHARP received its new hazardous material response certification from the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency. The new re-certification will be in effect until August 31, 2019.

- (5) The annual Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Account (HMER) assessment was submitted to PEMA on June 17, 2015.

COUNTY ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM (CART)

The Cambria County Animal Response Team (CART) is an all-volunteer team that provides rescue assistance, sheltering and care to animals involved in emergencies and/or threatening situations. The 2015 Cambria CART members were:

Administrative:	Team Coordinator President Secretary	Allen Kline Mike Cinko Tina Cinko
Operations:	Coordinator Assistant Coordinators: Large Animal: Small Animal: Reptile: Sheltering: Deployments: Safety/Security:	Allen Kline Beth Shoff Tina Cinko Mike Cinko Bill Knipple Tina Cinko Bill Knipple Bill Roudabush Frank Stahr Frank Partsch
Team Members:	Dawn Brudzinski Brenda Brant Brian Brant William Buck Renaë Chappell Gina Delawder Leslie DiGiaimo-June Anthony Ditton Rita Fabina-Jones Melissa Gehman Patty Gramling Kristie Horner Kurtis June Billie Jo Kiel	Ciara Kishokl Karen Million Shawn Lehman Elaine Miller David Pundzak Martha Roudabush Dr. Catherine Shoemaker Jeff Shoff Kevin Snyder Linda Stahr Michael G. Stetler Brittany Walter Vanessa Yingling Mary Zallar

2015 CART **responses** were:

August 2, 2015 City of Johnstown
Emergency housing of several displaced household pets due to a residential structure fire.

September 1, 2015 City of Johnstown
Temporary short-term sheltering of a dog whose owner was displaced due to a residential structure fire.

2015 CART **administrative operations** included the following during 2015:

- (1) The Commercial General Liability Coverage Policy – provided through the Pennsylvania State Animal Response Team (SART) and extended to CARTs statewide, was received by the Department of Emergency Services.

CART - continued

- (2) The end-of-the-year treasurer's report from State Executive Director for SART, Joel Hersh, advised that the Cambria CART donation balance was: \$ 3,022.05

CART **training** conducted 2015 was as follows:

SART Orientation for 9-1-1 Telecommunicators – January 16, 2015

Noelle Berkey	Gordon Dudley	David Effinger
Ron Nagle	Kyle Paul	

Ice / Water Rescue Training – February 22, 2015 (at Hinckston Run Dam)

Allen Kline	Beth Shoff	Dave Pundzak
Frank Stahr	Patty Gramling	

Animal Transport Trailer Incident Class - May 2, 2015 (at the New Stanton FD)

David Pundzak

CART Equipment Review - May 8, 2015

Allen Kline	Beth Shoff	Mike Cinko
Frank Stahr	Patty Gramling	Tina Cinko
David Pundzak		

Therapy Days Outreach Program – July 12, 2015 (at Westmont)

Frank Stahr	Linda Stahr
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CART / SART Orientation Program - October 13

Allen Kline	Karen Million
Brenda Brant	Brian Brant
Courtney Miranda	

ALTERNATIVE COMMUNICATION SERVICES (ACS)

The ACS concept now encompasses the RACES/ARES amateur radio / ham radio concept under the PEMA communications framework. In CY 2015, members of the amateur radio committee for the Cambria County Department of Emergency Services were:

David Hunter	NY3FO	ACS Coordinator
Scott Zimmerman	N3XCC	Deputy Coordinator
Tom Brew	3KWS	Assistant Coordinator
Chuck Englogy	N3LAD	Assistant Coordinator

CAMBRIA COUNTY WATER RESCUE TEAM

The Cambria County Water Rescue Team is an all-volunteer team primarily comprised of members from the Johnstown Fire Department, the Jackson Township Fire Company and the East Taylor Township Fire Company.

The team provides both dive rescue and recovery along with swift-water rescue. The team is currently pursuing a Level IA capability designation.

Team coordinators are: Robert Statler, Johnstown Fire department
Thomas Buchan, East Taylor Township Fire Company
Rickey Price, Jackson Township Fire Company

SPECIAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (SERT)

The Cambria County Special Emergency Response Team (SERT) consists of highly-trained SWAT-certified officers from throughout police departments and law enforcement agencies in Cambria County.

The SERT, established in the 1990's, responds to situations involving hostages, armed and barricaded suspects and suicidal subjects, as well as serving high-risk warrants. The team also provides protection to visiting dignitaries.

The SERT utilizes a variety of high-tech weapons and chemical munitions including an armored vehicle secured through the Cambria County Department of Emergency Service's membership in the Region 13 all-hazards task force.

SERT's highly-trained team is recognized and certified by the National Tactical Officer's Association.

FUEL / ENERGY CRISIS TASKFORCE

The Fuel / Energy Crisis Task Force is now in its 9th year of existence. Its purpose is to provide coordination among agencies and service organizations that assists residents with acquiring financial assistance for winter heating fuels and utilities. In addition, public education regarding weatherization, fuel conservation, household budgeting and alternative energy safety and health practices, is provided to potential clients.

In 2015, the task force conducted workshops at the Central Park Complex in Johnstown on the following dates:

January 21, 2015
March 18, 2015
August 19, 2015
October 14, 2015

Agencies represented at the workshops or task force initiatives in 2015 were:

- Alternative Community Resource Program (ACRP)
- American Red Cross
- Blair County Social Services
- Cambria County Board of Commissioners
- Cambria County Area Agency on Aging (AAA)
- Cambria County Assistance Office (CAO)
- Cambria County Crisis
- Cambria County Department of Emergency Services
- Catholic Charities – Altoona-Johnstown Diocese
- Community Action Partnership of Cambria County
- Dorothy Day Outreach Center
- Office of State Representative Bryan Barbin
- Office of State Representative Frank Burns
- Office of State Senator John Wozniak
- Penelec / First Energy
- Pennsylvania State Unemployment Compensation Office
- Peoples Natural Gas
- St. Vincent DePaul Society
- United Methodist Human Services
- United Way of the Laurel Highlands

Major topics of discussion were:

- Regular reports from the various agencies stating their respective status of assistance requests.
- Continued lobbying for the need for increased future LIHEAP benefits due to the increased number of those requesting heating assistance.
- A shared collaboration was established between the Blair County Social Services program and the Cambria County Fuel Crisis Task Force.
- Funding provided to Catholic Charities from both Lee Initiatives and the Community Foundation of the Alleghenies to assist in funding applicants.

Fuel Crisis Task Force – continued

- Updates from representatives of Penelec and Peoples Natural Gas presented regarding customer assistance program and service termination procedures/policies for their respective companies.
- The task force welcomed the ACRP as a new task force member. Jim Buday, Program Director for ACRP, introduced himself and assistant Sage Wilt. He provided information regarding the ACRP Chore Program, a program designed to assist the region's most vulnerable, particularly the elderly and those with special needs, with repairs that helped allow them to main in their homes. Services included a variety of home repairs, furnace maintenance, and emergency snow removal and lawn services. Recent ACRP initiatives also involved receiving FEMA monies to purchase and install both smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Dawn Popovich from Catholic Charities provided update information on the Martha Mary House for the homeless. Dawn noted the occupancy permit is for (15) people and provided the guidelines established for taking in clients. The facility is located at 899 Bedford Street in Dale Borough.
- William Uhlig (First Energy) addressed concerns and answered questions regarding Penelec's various programs including WARM, P-CAP, and Dollar Energy. Third-party termination notifications and the use of medical certifications to delay terminations were also discussed.
- Holly Burkhardt and Caroline Gibson (CAO) advised on the "Turn-On" program administered through LIHEAP.
- Mary Adams (Dorothy Day) reported that they now have a furniture program that also provides small appliances. Participating vendors are R & R Appliances in Johnstown, Bearer Appliance in Carrolltown, Bradley Appliance in Cresson, and Ebensburg Bedding
- Participation in coordination and presentations at the PUC-sponsored "Utility Wise" program, held at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown on October 30th That highlighted fuel/energy assistance programs, household budgeting, weatherization, energy conservation, energy safety and client assistance.
- Karen Clunas (PNG) discussed upcoming changes regarding the Universal Services Program and the Dollar Energy program.

Dawn Popovich and Ronald Springer reported on a task force sponsored series of public programs that were conducted in the City of Johnstown (2), Portage Borough (1) and Northern Cambria Borough (1), with total attendance numbering (87).

Three key areas for fuel assistance clients were addressed:

Energy assistance and conservation – Catholic Charities
Weatherization concepts and programs – ACRP
Energy / winter safety – Cambria County Emergency Management

Both Lowe's and the Community Foundation of the Alleghenies provided assistance to assist in off-setting costs to purchase weatherization items.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (EOC) STAFF - The Cambria County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) staff is comprised of full-time department staff, other county agency personnel and volunteer personnel who have expertise in various emergency functions and operations. Their primary responsibility is to coordinate emergency management operations in the event of a major emergency or disaster. The 2015 EOC roster included:

<u>EMA #</u>	<u>EOC STAFF PERSON</u>	<u>EMA EOC POSITION</u>	<u>NIMS</u>	<u>ESF</u>	
11-1	Ronald Springer	Executive Director	Command	ESF-5	Emergency Mgmt
11-2	Robbin Melnyk	Deputy Director	Command	ESF-5	Emergency Mgmt
11-3	Allen Kline	Operations Deputy	Operations	ESF-5	Emergency Mgmt
11-4	Daniel Morris	Logistics Deputy	Logistics	ESF-7	Emergency Mgmt
11-5	Daniel Blackburn	Communication Ops	Communications	ESF-2	Communications
11-6	Thomas Schreyer	Warning Coordinator	Operations	ESF-2	Communications
11-7	Joan Villa	Warning Coordinator	Operations	ESF-2	Communications
11-8	Larry Penatzer	Warning Coordinator	Operations	ESF-2	Communications
11-9	Jamie Szymusiak	Warning Coordinator	Operations	ESF-2	Communications
11-10	Douglas R. Lengenfelder	County Commissioner	Command	ESF-15	Public Information
11-11	Mark J. Wissinger	County Commissioner	Command	ESF-15	Public Information
11-12	Thomas C. Chernisky	County Commissioner	Command	ESF-15	Public Information
11-13	Dennis Kwiatkowski	Cambria County Coroner	Operations	ESF-8	Health & Medical
11-14	Dr. John Karduck	EMA Medical Advisor	Operations	ESF-8	Health & Medical
11-15	Thomas Davis	Operations Assistant	Operations	ESF-5	Emergency Mgmt
11-16	Scott Beveridge	Communications Ops	Communications	ESF-2	Communications
11-17	Joseph LaMantia	Warning Coordinator	Operations	ESF-2	Communications
11-18	Timothy Spangler	Mapping / GIS Deputy	Operations	ESF-5	Emergency Mgmt
11-19	Steve Kocsis	Mapping / GIS Coordinator	Operations	ESF-5	Emergency Mgmt
11-20	Dave Fulton	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-6	Mass Care
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-21	Chris Guzio	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-13	Public Safety
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-22	John Hawksworth	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-9	Search & Rescue
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-23	Pete Barczak	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-3	Public Works
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-24	George Fedore	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-5	Emergency Mgmt
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-25	Tom Buchan	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-9	Search & Rescue
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-26	Nick Wuckovich	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-4	Firefighting
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-27	William Claar	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-3	Public Works
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-28	Brian Havas	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-4	Firefighting
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-29	Bob Illig, Jr.	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-4	Firefighting
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-30	James McCann	On-Scene Coordinator	Operations	ESF-9	Search & Rescue
			Finance	ESF-14	Recovery
11-31	June Kania	Data Management	Operations	ESF-5	Emergency Mgmt
11-32	Darlene Rankin	Data Management	Operations	ESF-5	Emergency Mgmt
11-33	Allen Hostetler	IT Coordinator	Planning	ESF-5	Emergency Mgmt
11-34	Beth Sawyer	Mass Care Coordinator	Operations	ESF-6	Mass Care
11-35	Dawn Popovich	Social Services Coord.	Operations	ESF-6	Mass Care
11-36	Carl Moen	EMS / MRC Coordinator	Operations	ESF-8	Health & Medical
11-37	Steve Benza	EMS Deputy Coordinator	Operations	ESF-8	Health & Medical
11-38	Jay Roberts	Communications	Operations	ESF-8	Health & Medical
11-39	Tina Berzansky	PA DOH Liaison	Operations	ESF-8	Health & Medical

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<u>EMA #</u>	<u>EOC STAFF PERSON</u>	<u>EMA EOC POSITION</u>	<u>NIMS</u>	<u>ESF</u>
11-40	Tom Brew	RACES Coordinator	Operations	ESF-2 Communications
11-41	Chuck Englydy	ACS liaison	Operations	ESF-2 Communications
11-42	Dan Penatzer	Public Information Officer	Operations	ESF-15 Public Information
11-43	James Koshute	Aviation Coordinator	Operations	ESF-1 Transportation
11-44	Tony Kovacic	WMD Coordinator	Operations	ESF-10 HazMat
11-45	Joe Adams	Fire Service	Operations	ESF-4 Firefighting
11-46	Robert Kolar	Law Enforcement	Operations	ESF-13 Public Safety
11-47	Michael Burgan	Law Enforcement Deputy	Operations	ESF-13 Public Safety
11-48	Ray Kohler	Electric Utilities	Operations	ESF-12 Utilities
11-49	Bob Thomas	Gas Utilities	Operations	ESF-12 Utilities
11-50	Ed Englehart	Water Utilities	Operations	ESF-12 Utilities
11-51	Robert Kunsman	Liaison – PA State Police	Operations	ESF-13 Public Safety
11-52	Sam Romano	Liaison – PennDOT	Operations	ESF-1 Transportation
11-53	Ben Williams	Liaison - PA DEP	Operations	ESF-10 HazMat
11-54	Dolly Little	Agriculture Coordinator	Operations	ESF-11 Agriculture
11-55	Daron Arnott	Mass Transportation	Logistics	ESF-1 Transportation
11-56	Ted Richardson	Mass Transportation	Logistics	ESF-1 Transportation
11-57	Neil Hammond	CERT Coordinator	Operations	ESF-8 Health & Medical
11-58	Greg Simmons	Radiological Coordinator	Operations	ESF-10 HazMat
11-59	Beth Shoff	CART Liaison	Operations	ESF-11 Agriculture
11-60	James Bonini	Finance Coordinator	Finance	ESF-14 Recovery
11-61	Tara Keilman	Finance Deputy	Finance	ESF-14 Recovery
11-62	Dennis Colbert	School Services	Logistics	ESF-6 Mass Care
11-63	Thomas Fleming	School Services	Logistics	ESF-6 Mass Care
11-64	Julie Kozorensky	MH/CISM Coordinator	Operations	ESF-8 Health & Medical
11-65	Randy Williams	MH/CISM Deputy	Operations	ESF-8 Health & Medical
11-66	Tamara Forgan	Damage Assessment	Finance	ESF-14 Recovery
11-67	Barry L. Segear	Damage Assessment	Finance	ESF-14 Recovery
11-68	Sgt. Steve Noland	PA Army National Guard	Logistics	ESF-5 Emergency Mgmt
11-69	Sgt. Brian Beiswenger	PA Army National Guard	Logistics	ESF-5 Emergency Mgmt

DROUGHT WATCH DECLARATION

On March 26, 2015 PEMA declared a DROUGHT WATCH for twenty-seven counties in the Commonwealth, including Cambria County, due to a dry fall in 2014 and below-average snowfall for January and February 2015 that contributed to low groundwater levels in the northeast and central portions of the state

A drought watch is the first and least severe levels of the state's three drought classifications calling for a voluntary five-percent reduction in non-essential water use and puts large water consumers on notice to begin planning for the possibility of reduced water supplies.

On April 5th, the Dean Township Supervisors imposed a NO BURNING BAN for Dean Township.

The drought watch was CANCELLED by the PA Department of Environmental Protection for all (37) counties on July 10, 2015.

REGION 13 TASKFORCE ACTIVITIES

The Region 13 Task Force (Pennsylvania Southwest Regional Task Force) members are as follows:

Allegheny County
Armstrong County
Beaver County
Butler County
Cambria County
Fayette County
Greene County
Indiana County
Lawrence County
Mercer County
Somerset County
Venango County
Washington County
Westmoreland County
City of Pittsburgh

Activities and key initiatives conducted throughout CY 2015 were:

1. Venango County was petitioned the Region Board of Control and was extended membership into the Region as the 14th county.
2. A Region 13 equipment and apparatus inventory was completed and submitted to Region 13 in compliance with Department of Homeland Security grant acquisition requirements.
3. The Region 13 "Agricultural and Animal Emergency Response Guide" was approved by the Region 13 Agriculture Sub-Committee. Ronald Springer serves as the sub-committee chairman and Allen Kline is a member of the sub-committee.

This document identifies assistance and emergency procedures when dealing with incidents involving agriculture, farm animals and wildlife. It was distributed county EMAs, 9-1-1s and CARTs.

Also, distribution of the Agriculture Emergency Response Guide and Visor Quick-Reference cards was conducted to all member counties for respective inter-county distribution to fire and law enforcement departments.

4. Oxygen cylinder totes were returned to the Region from the mass casualty trailer as part of a safety recall.
5. The Region 13 Fusion Center was re-located to the FBI office in Pittsburgh.
6. On-going discussion was held regarding requests for Region bomb detection dogs for school-related bomb threats. The concept of developing a response plan to address the true need for these specialized canines was addressed.
7. The Region participated in situational awareness and preparedness in regard to the Papal visit to the Philadelphia region on September 26-27 of Pope Francis. The Region also assisted with resource coordination assisting PEMA and the PA Department of Health.

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8. Provided awareness on the potential for and the effects of the Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) (a.k.a. “bird flu”). This flu is easily spread during the migration season and has already affected major chicken and turkey flocks in the Midwest. The avian flu is being closely monitored through the Department of Agriculture.
9. Group discussion is on-going regarding the upgrade of hazmat response monitoring equipment for county-sponsored hazmat response teams. Issues prompting these upgrades include new technology; equipment maintenance costs, user friendliness; and life expectancy issues of existing equipment.
10. Efforts continued to obtain Region-funded water rescue equipment for Cambria County’s water rescue team needed to attain their Type 1A and Type 2A water rescue team designation.
11. Group discussion was held regarding the need for greater monitoring of up-start well drilling operations. The lack of notification and the subsequent lack of unfamiliarity is a noted problem when well incidents are reported – thus hampering emergency response efforts.

COUNTER-TERRORISM TASK FORCE

In CY 2015, the Cambria County Counter-Terrorism Task Force did not convene due to a lack of threat situations. As such, day-to day terrorism-related coordination was handled through Cambria County Emergency Management. Event planning that did require updated initiatives were handled via other existing task forces.

Agencies and departments that are part of the task force when activated include:

Cambria County Department of Emergency Services (EMA / 9-1-1)
Cambria County Special Emergency Response Team (SERT)
Camtran
Pennsylvania State Police
Pennsylvania Army National Guard
Conemaugh Medical Center
Miners Medical Center
Southern Alleghenies EMS Council
Johnstown Cambria County Airport
PennDOT – Cambria County
Penelec / First Energy
Countywide law enforcement, fire and EMS departments
Cambria County SHARP Hazmat Team
Region 13 Task Force
Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA)
Pennsylvania Department of Health
U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
National Weather Service (NOAA)

LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (EMA) COORDINATORS' PROGRAM

In 2015, the following individuals served as Municipal and Zone Emergency Management Coordinators for Cambria County. These coordinators were appointed to their position by the Honorable Governor of the Commonwealth serving as Governor at the time of their said appointment. They represent their local municipality(s) at the local level as liaisons to Cambria County Emergency Management.

ADAMS TOWNSHIP	-	Paul M. Kundrod
ALLEGHENY TOWNSHIP	-	Steve Toth
ASHVILLE AREA ZONE	-	Lewis DeAngelis, Jr.
BARR TOWNSHIP	-	Lon A. Good
BLACKLICK VALLEY ZONE	-	Bernard Shedlock
BROWNSTOWN BOROUGH	-	Daniel J. Gehlmann
CARROLLTOWN AREA ZONE	-	James McCann
CENTRAL CAMBRIA ZONE	-	Gregory Sloan
CHEST SPRINGS BOROUGH	-	Eugene Eckenrode
CHEST TOWNSHIP	-	Paul Ropp
CLEARFIELD TOWNSHIP	-	Joe Storm
CONEMAUGH AREA ZONE	-	Brian Partsch
CRESSON AREA ZONE	-	Joseph Adams
CROYLE TOWNSHIP	-	Randall Johnson
DALE BOROUGH	-	Dave Pundzak
DEAN TOWNSHIP	-	John L. Wagner
EAST CONEMAUGH BOROUGH	-	Robert Fisher / Brian Feist
EAST TAYLOR TOWNSHIP	-	David Davison
EHRENFELD BOROUGH	-	Randall Johnson
ELDER TOWNSHIP	-	Larry Kline
FERNDALE BOROUGH	-	William G. Cornell
FRANKLIN BOROUGH	-	Dave Rykala
GALLITZIN AREA ZONE	-	Gerald Hagens
HASTINGS BOROUGH	-	Dan Warner
JACKSON TOWNSHIP	-	Tim Burkey
JOHNSTOWN, CITY OF	-	Anthony Kovacic
LILLY AREA ZONE	-	William Claar
LORETTO BOROUGH	-	Steve Toth
LOWER YODER TOWNSHIP	-	Daniel Morris
MIDDLE TAYLOR TOWNSHIP	-	Raymond Gorman
MUNSTER TOWNSHIP	-	Stephen Shuagis
NORTHERN CAMBRIA BOROUGH	-	Pete Barczak / Brad Klemann
PATTON BOROUGH	-	Thomas Davis
PORTAGE BOROUGH	-	George Wozniak
PORTAGE TOWNSHIP	-	Raymond Lee
READE TOWNSHIP	-	April McClellan
RICHLAND TOWNSHIP	-	Michael Burgan
SCALP LEVEL BOROUGH	-	Steve Benza
SOUTH FORK BOROUGH	-	Randall Johnson
SOUTHMONT BOROUGH	-	Gregory Paolini
STONYCREEK AREA ZONE	-	Joseph Sernell
SUMMERHILL BOROUGH	-	Randall Johnson
SUMMERHILL TOWNSHIP	-	George T. Fedore
SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP	-	Ben Wilshire
UPPER YODER TOWNSHIP	-	Greg Town
WESTMONT BOROUGH	-	Brian Havas
WEST TAYLOR TOWNSHIP	-	Richard McPherson
WHITE TOWNSHIP	-	Tracy Plessinger
WILMORE BOROUGH	-	Paul Shrift

Local EMA Coordinators' Program - continued

2. Various **emergency management area zones** have been formed that allow for a single emergency zone for multiple municipalities that share boundaries, emergency services, resources and a consolidated ICS. Cambria County EMA zones are as follows:

Ashville Zone:	Ashville Borough, Gallitzin Borough
Blacklick Zone:	Blacklick Township, Nanty Glo Borough, Vintondale Borough
Carrolltown Zone:	Carrolltown Borough, East Carroll Twp., West Carroll Twp.
Central Cambria Zone:	Cambria Township, Ebensburg Borough
Conemaugh Zone:	Conemaugh Township, Daisytown Borough
Cresson Zone:	Cresson Borough, Cresson Township, Sankertown Borough
Gallitzin Zone:	Gallitzin Borough, Tunnellhill Borough
Lilly Zone:	Cassandra Borough, Lilly Borough, Washington Township
Stonycreek Zone:	Geistown Borough, Lorain Borough, Stonycreek Township

3. The following **emergency management training programs** were conducted in 2015 with the listed EMA officials and local municipal EMA coordinators being in attendance:

January 14, 2015 PEMA course: "Duties and Responsibilities of the EMC"

Thomas Davis, Cambria County DES
Issac Hassen, Jr., Cambria County DES
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Gregory Schilling, Jr., Cambria County DES / Blacklick Valley EMA Zone
Gregory Town, Cambria County DES
Joan Villa, Cambria County DES / Blacklick Valley EMA Zone

January 16, 2015 PEMA course: "Damage Reporting and Assessment"

Noelle Berkey, Cambria County DES
Karen Cavallo, Cambria County DES
Heather Craver, Cambria County DES
Gordon Dudley, Cambria County DES
David Effinger, Cambria County DES
Bradley Klemann, Cambria County DES
Sara McDermott, Cambria County DES
Ronald Nagle, Cambria County DES
Ian Olsavsky, Cambria County DES
Kyle Paul, Cambria County DES
Thomas Schreyer, Cambria County DES
Gregory Town, Cambria County DES

March 25-26, 2015 G-Series (290) Course: Basic Public Information Officer

David Effinger, Cambria County DES
Michael Hassen, David Effinger, Cambria County DES
Chris Hester, David Effinger, Cambria County DES
Thomas Leamer, David Effinger, Cambria County DES
Courtney Maines, David Effinger, Cambria County DES
James McCann, Carrolltown Area EMA Zone
Sara McDermott, Cambria County DES

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Kimberly Murray, Cambria County DES
Ronald Nagle, Cambria County DES
Ian Olsavsky, Cambria County DES
Larry Penatzer, Cambria County DES
Amanda Riddle, Cambria County DES
Gregory Schilling, Cambria County DES / Blacklick Valley EMA Zone
Jamie Szymusiak, Cambria County DES

March 31, 2015 CCDES sponsored “Emergency Services Awareness”

Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Robbin Melnyk, Cambria County DES
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Daniel Blackburn, Cambria County DES
Daniel Morris, Cambria County DES / Lower Yoder Township EMA
Darlene Rankin, Cambria County DES
Gregg Sloan, Central Cambria EMA Zone
Jeffrey Evans, Central Cambria EMA Zone
John Hawksworth, Jr., Central Cambria EMA Zone
William Claar, Lilly Area EMA Zone
Paul Ropp, Chest Township EMA
Gerald Hagen, Gallitzin Area EMA Zone
David Pundzak, Dale Borough EMA
Anthony Kovacic, City of Johnstown EMA
Robert Statler, City of Johnstown EMA
Richard McPherson, West Taylor Township EMA
John Wagner, Dean Township EMA

April 1, 2015 Tabletop Exercise – Johnstown Cambria County Airport

Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Daniel Morris, Cambria County DES
Michael Burgan, Richland Township EMA
Chris Guizio, Richland Township EMA

April 7, 2015 ALICE Active Shooter Response Training – Richland HS

Robbin Melnyk, Cambria County DES
Daniel Blackburn, Cambria County DES
Daniel Morris, Cambria County DES / Lower Yoder Township EMA
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Thomas Davis, Cambria County DES / Patton Borough EMA
Jamie Szymusiak, Cambria County DES
Chris Hester, Cambria County DES
Brad Boxler, Cambria County DES
Dan Abrams, Cambria County DES
Courtney Maines, Cambria County DES
Bradley Klemann, Cambria County DES
David Pundzak, Dale Borough EMA

Local EMA Coordinators' Program - continued

April 8, 2015 Hazard Mitigation Project Planning Session - Courthouse

Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Darlene Rankin, Cambria County DES
Lon Good, Barr Township EMA
John Wagner, Dean Township EMA
Anthony Kovacic, City of Johnstown EMA
William Claar, Lilly Area EMA Zone

April 8, 2015 Hazard Mitigation Project Planning Session – Richland Twp.

Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Daniel Morris, Cambria County DES / Lower Yoder Township EMA
Darlene Rankin, Cambria County DES
Michael Burgan, Richland Township
Chris Guizio, Richland Township EMA
Brian Havas, Westmont Borough EMA
Ray Gorman, Middle Taylor Township EMA
Paul Kundrod, Adams Township EMA
Brian Feist, East Conemaugh Borough EMA
James McCann, Carrolltown Area EMA Zone
Steve Benza, Scalp Level Borough EMA
Tim Burkey, Jackson Township EMA

April 28, 2015 TSA/DHS Tabletop Exercise with CamTran

Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Daniel Morris, Cambria County DES / Lower Yoder Township EMA
Anthony Kovacic, City of Johnstown EMA
Robert Statler, City of Johnstown EMA
Brian Havas, Westmont Borough EMA
Kevin Schrock, Westmont Borough EMA
Greg Schilling, Blacklick Valley EMA Zone

May 13, 2015 Penelec Storm Operations Workshop – First Energy/Altoona

Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Chris Guizio, Richland Township EMA
Anthony Kovacic, City of Johnstown EMA

May 16, 2015 Full-Scale Exercise – Johnstown Cambria County Airport

Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Robbin Melnyk, Cambria County DES
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Daniel Blackburn, Cambria County DES
Courtney Maines, Cambria County DES

Local EMA Coordinators' Program - continued

Airport Exercise - continued

Chris Hester, Cambria County DES
Michael Burgan, Richland Township EMA
Chris Guizio, Richland Township EMA
William Claar, Lilly Area EMA Zone
Steve Kass, Dean Township EMA

June 9, 2015 National Weather Service SKYWARN Program - Courthouse

Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
June Kania, Cambria County DES
Robert Statler, City of Johnstown EMA
Lewis DeAngelis, Ashville Area EMA Zone
Nicole DeAngelis, Ashville Area EMA Zone

**June 10, 2015 Active Shooter Functional Exercise
@ University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown**

Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Daniel Morris, Cambria County DES
Michael Burgan, Richland Township EMA

July 30, 2015 National Weather Service Orientation at State College

Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Daniel Blackburn, Cambria County DES
Joan Villa, Cambria County DES / Blacklick Valley EMA Zone
Joseph LaMantia, Cambria County DES
Greg Schilling, Cambria County DES / Blacklick Valley EMA Zone
David Effinger, Cambria County DES

August 25, 2015 Hazard Mitigation / THIRA Assessment (County EOC)

Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Darlene Rankin, Cambria County DES
Michael Burgan, Richland Township EMA
Chris Guizio, Richland Township EMA
Ray Gorman, Middle Taylor Township EMA

August 26, 2015 Hospital Decontamination Orientation at Miners Hospital

Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Daniel Warner, Hastings Borough EMA
William Claar, Lilly Area EMA Zone
Pete Barczak, Northern Cambria Borough EMA

Local EMA Coordinators' Program - continued

September 1, 2015 Damage Reporting and Assessment (County EOC)

Stephanie Ashbrook, Cambria County DES
Evan Dabbs, Cambria County DES
Koah Hagen, Cambria County DES
James Hoenshell, Cambria County DES
Courtney Miranda, Cambria County DES
Kenneth Popson, Cambria County DES

September 1, 2015 Duties and Responsibilities of the EMC (County EOC)

Stephanie Ashbrook, Cambria County DES
Koah Hagen, Cambria County DES
Courtney Miranda, Cambria County DES
Kenneth Popson, Cambria County DES

September 3, 2015 Amtrak Passenger Train Emergencies Program @ Mount Aloysius College

Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Allen Kline, Cambria County DES
Daniel Morris, Cambria County DES / Lower Yoder Township EMA
Daniel Blackburn, Cambria County EMA
June Kania, Cambria County DES
Darlene Rankin, Cambria County DES
William Claar, Lilly Area EMA Zone
Kenneth Link, Central Cambria EMA Zone
Joseph Adams, Cresson Area EMA Zone

September 9, 2015 Recovery from Disaster (FEMA G-270.4) (County EOC)

Ronald Springer, Cambria County DES
Thomas Davis, Cambria County DES / Patton Borough EMA
Joan Villa, Cambria County DES / Blacklick Valley EMA Zone
Gregory Schilling, Cambria County DES / Blacklick Valley EMA Zone
Thomas Schreyer, Cambria County DES
Jamie Szymusiak, Cambria County DES
Courtney Maines, Cambria County DES
Chris Hester, Cambria County DES
David Effinger, Cambria County DES
Michael Hassen, Cambria County DES
Thomas Leamer, Cambria County DES
Sarah McDermott, Cambria County DES
Ronald Nagle, Cambria County DES
Ian Olsavsky, Cambria County DES
Amanda Riddle, Cambria County DES

Local EMA Coordinators' Program - continued

October 7, 2015 Pipeline Safety & Awareness - PARADIGM Location Service

Ronald Springer	Cambria County EMA
William Claar	Lilly Area Zone
John Hawksworth, Jr.	Central Cambria Area Zone

October 27, 2015 PEMA Western Area Orientation

John Boburchuk, Jr.	City of Johnstown
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LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)

The Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) is a group comprised of industry, government, emergency service and community members recommended by county government and appointed by the Governor of Pennsylvania to serve in management and oversight of selected emergency programs for the benefit of public safety and health.

Originally designed to oversee hazardous material planning and response, the LEPC has expanded to include a variety of emergency management initiatives and operations.

2015 LEPC members were:

- Ronald Springer; LEPC Chairman
- Robbin Melnyk, LEPC Inspector
- Douglas Lengenfelder, Cambria County Commissioner
- Mark Wissinger, Cambria County Commissioner
- Thomas Chernisky, Cambria County Commissioner
- Allen Kline, Emergency Services
- Daniel Blackburn, Region 13 Liaison
- June Kania; Emergency Services
- Daniel Morris; Fire Services
- Vacant; Police Services
- David Rykala; Emergency Medical Services
- Kris Howdyshell; Environmental Services
- Frank Hribar; Facilities (FCI-Loretto)
- David Johnson; Facilities (North American Hoganas)
- Raymond Kohler; Facilities (First Energy)
- James Nagle; Facilities (Texas Eastern Pipeline Company)
- Dennis Simmers; Facilities AC Power – Colver)
- Shawn Simmers; Facilities (Cambria CoGen)
- Jules Stephens; Facilities (Galliker Dairy Company)
- Daniel Penatzer; Municipalities
- William Malia; PEMA Western Area Office
- David Fulton; Community-At-Large
- Vicki King; Community-At-Large
- Beth Sawyer; American Red Cross
- Neal Hammond; CERT
- Beth Shoff; CART
- Open; Media/Public Relations

2015 quarterly LEPC meetings were conducted as follows:

1 st Quarter	March 2, 2015	Cambria County EOC, Ebensburg
2 nd Quarter	June 1, 2015	First Energy, Richland Township
3 rd Quarter	September 14, 2015	American Red Cross, Richland Township
4 th Quarter	November 23, 2015	Cambria County EOC, Ebensburg

LEPC standard quarterly business included:

1. Financial review of the SHARP and HMER A accounts.

Ending 4th quarters account balances were as follows:

SHARP Account balance:	\$	21,423.39	
HMER A balance:	\$	49,548.86	
CART Account balance:	\$	3,022.05	(From SART)

LEPC - continued

2. Review of SHARP Hazmat Team responses and training programs.
3. Overview of Region 13 Task Force programs and initiatives.
4. LEPC-supported or related funding grants.
5. Review of National Response Center (NRC) incident notifications:
 - December 27, 2014
Train derailment at MM 250.5 in Cresson Borough. No hazardous materials were involved and no emergency response was required
 - April 16, 2015
Complaint received noting ground contamination from a commercial property in Middle Taylor Township. The complaint was investigated by County EMA and DEP and was determined to be unfounded.
 - August 10, 2015
Complaint received noting ground contamination from a commercial property in Southmont Borough. The complaint was investigated by County EMA and Southmont Borough officials and was determined to be unfounded.
 - September 23, 2015
Citizen Complaint advising contamination from a home heating oil tank at a residence in Scalp Level Borough. EMA and FD officials inspected the site. Advised property of clean-up procedures. No environmental damage noted.
 - November 3, 2015
Diesel fuel spill from a Norfolk Southern rail estimated at less than 100 gallons at MM 245.4. No emergency response required.
6. Overview of tabletop, functional and full-scale exercises conducted countywide
7. Quarterly status reports on the following LEPC-supported entities:
 - Fuel / Energy Crisis Task Force
 - County Animal Response Team (CART)
 - Citizen's Corps Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT)

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) programs were held at Glendale Yearound in White Township and at the fire station in Gallitzin.
 - Volunteer Organizations Active In Disaster (VOAD)
 - Auxiliary Communication Service (ACS)

LEPC- continued

LEPC project related correspondence included:

1. Texas Eastern Transmission advised of the filing of a line replacement permit in Munster Township.
2. Underground storage tanks for fuel oil at the FCI-Loretto federal prison were to be removed due to their structural life being surpassed. They would be replaced by aboveground tanks.
3. The transport of Bakken crude oil by rail continues to be scrutinized by government agencies and the media.
4. EPA Risk Management Program advising of two upcoming randomly-selected facility inspections at the Galliker Dairy in Cambria County and the Sheetz distribution facility in Blair County.

LEPC Projects and Initiatives

1. The LEPC approved three major equipment purchases for 2015 and upcoming in 2016:
 - a. (4) Level A hazmat suits
 - b. (2) MSA photo-ionization detectors (PIDs)
 - c. New response vehicle to replace the current SHARP Utility 11-3
2. LEPC guest presenters at quarterly sessions included:
 - Craig Treese, Civil Engineer with Pa Department of Environmental Protection, who presented the LEPC with an overview of the soon-to-be-constructed Cresson Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) Treatment Plant. The facility, to be constructed in Cresson Township, will treat water from underground mine pools and release the treated water to boost the flows within the Susquehanna River Basin (SRB). It is estimated that water released to the SRB will total 6.3 million gallons per day for an expected (200) days annually while also improving the water quality locally of Clearfield Creek.
 - Kevin Docherty, Sunoco Pipeline / Mariner East Pipeline who spoke regarding the transfer of product through the Mariner East pipeline project.
 - Beth Sawyer, Disaster Program Specialist from the American Red Cross, provided an overview of Red Cross services and the re-alignment of Clearfield, Jefferson, Cambria, Somerset, Bedford, Blair and Huntingdon Counties – to be known as the PA Mountains Region. Also attending representing the Red Cross were: Ken Geary, Red Cross Executive Director; Victor Rosen, Regional Disaster Manager/Red Cross; Josh Hauser, Public Relations/Greater Allegheny Chapter - Red Cross; and Brian Partsch, Facilities Manager/Red Cross.
3. The contract for the 2015 Bronze Training Program had been submitted to the Bucks County Community College Public Safety Training Center.

LEPC - continued

4. The Emergency Services Awareness Program was held March 31st at the county courthouse for emergency responders and municipal officials. Agenda presenters included the PA State Police, PennDOT, Penelec/First Energy, the Red Cross, Bedford County Wilderness SAR, Cambria SERT and the Cambria County Water Rescue Team.
5. Updates were reported on the county Hazard Mitigation Project Plan with the county contracting with the Delta Development Group to assist with the planning contract with grant costs being funded through both PEMA and FEMA.
6. From Kris Howdysshell, Cambria County Solid Waste Authority, a report on the Authority's household chemical collection on May 16th that yielded nearly 27,000 pounds of product.
7. LEPC donations made to the Cambria County Fire School Committee for materials to be used for hazardous materials response training at the fire school included sandbags and absorbents, along with repairs made to the railroad tank car prop.
8. A donation was received from XTO Energy, Warrendale, PA in the amount of \$ 1,000.00 for hazmat response operations. XTO Energy is a gas company involved with gas wells and deep well drilling operations.
9. PEMA Advisement – FY 2015-2016 HMRF Grant – approved for \$ 12,268.00.
10. EMA initiative to secure Region 13 DHS funding for water rescue equipment in an effort to have the water rescue team attain Type I certification status.
11. The 2015 Hazardous Commodity Flow Study for Cambria County Pennsylvania was completed and submitted to PEMA in October 2015. This report was funded by a 2015 HMEP planning grant. The report highlights hazardous material transportation in and through Cambria County by highway, railroad and pipeline. It was provided to all LEPC members prior to the November meeting.
12. RECOGNITION: Confirmation was received from PEMA advising that Cambria County had successfully met NFPA standards and achieved re-certification for the SHARP Hazmat Team to operate as a hazardous material response team in the Commonwealth through September 2019.
13. RECOGNITION: Confirmation was received from the National Weather Service that Cambria County Emergency Management had met the StormReady standards in severe weather preparedness and response capabilities and was re-certified as STORMREADY through November 2018.

EMERGENCY SERVICES-RELATED GRANTS

Active department grants during 2015 were:

** **WestCore Project – Status: On-going**) - This partnership project with Region 13 and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency continued in 2015 with Phase I being completed and Phase II being initiated. This project's initiative will include the cooperative updating of communication networks across ten counties utilizing a shared concept of equipment and costs that will ultimately enhance interoperability and NextGen 9-1-1 concepts. Mission Critical Partners (MCP) is the Region 13 contractor providing project services.

** **2014 HMPG (Hazard Mitigation Program Grant)** – In 2014, application was submitted to PEMA in July in the amount of \$ 50,000.00 for planning assistance directly related to the updating of the County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan. PEMA awarded Cambria County a \$ 50,000 grant in December 2014. The project was on-going throughout all of 2015 with completion slated for 2016.

The grant match is as follows:	Federal	75 %
	Commonwealth	22 %
	County	3 %

A mitigation project website has been established at: www.cambriacountyhmp.com

** **2015 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Training Grant** – The 2015 HMEP Training Grant for activities related to the hazardous material response program's re-certification process was conducted through July 2015. The grant amount was for \$ 2,000.00.

** **2015 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Planning Grant** - The 2015 HMEP Planning Grant to conduct a hazardous material commodity flow in transportation (highway, railroad and pipeline) study was conducted through September. The grant amount was for \$ 5,000.00.

** **2014-2015 HMRF (Hazardous Materials Response Fund) Grant** – In July 2014, PEMA advised that the HMRF grant allocation for the performance period from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 would be in the amount of \$ 16,298.00. These funds are acquired by the Commonwealth from fees collected from both owners and operators of facilities that house hazardous and toxic chemicals per the requirements of Act 165 of 1990 as amended. The 2014-2015 final HMRF Grant Report was submitted in July.

** **2015-2016 HMRF (Hazardous Material Response Fund) Grant** – The 2015-2016 HMRF grant agreement for Cambria County was approved by PEMA in December 2015 for \$ 12,268.00. This grant is designated to assist in funding the county's hazardous material response program.

Grants – continued

- ** **2015 EMPG (Emergency Management Performance Grant)** – The 2015 EMPG application was submitted to PEMA in January 2015. This grant provides funding for salaries and benefits for approved staff positions within county emergency management. In July, Cambria County received notification that \$ 66,213.00 had been awarded for federal fiscal year 2015.

- ** **2016 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Planning Grant** - The 2016 HMEP Planning Grant application was submitted to PEMA in 2015 to again conduct a hazardous material commodity flow in transportation (highway, railroad and pipeline) study. The commodity flow study consistently enhances the county's hazmat response, the county HVA and hazard mitigation programs, and increase community and emergency service awareness. The HMEP planning grant request was for \$ 4,000.00.

- ** **2016 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Training Grant** – The 2016 HMEP Training Grant application was submitted to PEMA in 2015 for the purpose of conducting and participating in a TRANSCAER transportation tabletop exercise involving the Gallitzin Tunnels railroad passageway. The HMEP training grant request was for \$ 8,000.00.

COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PROJECT

Project development continued throughout CY 2015 in regards to the 2014 HMPG (Hazard Mitigation Program Grant) being undertaken to update the Cambria County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The original grant application was submitted to PEMA in July 2014 with a grant award of \$ 50,000 being awarded to Cambria County in December.

The grant match is as follows:

Federal	75 %
Commonwealth	22 %
County	3 %

Delta Development Group, Inc. was awarded a \$ 50,000.00 service contract to assist in the plan. The monies were funded through PEMA and FEMA.

Hazards being documented for this mitigation project are:

Drought	Earthquake	Extreme Temperature
Flooding	Flash Flooding	Ice Jams
Hailstorms	Landslides	Lightning Strikes
Pandemics	Subsidence	Tornado / Wind Storms
Wild Fire	Winter Storms	Dam Failure
Environmental	Levee Failure	Terrorism
Transportation	Utility Failure	Public Health

Mitigation grant initiatives conducted in 2015 included:

January 16, 2015	Forwarded (3) vendor mitigation assistance proposals to the county solicitor for review.
February 11, 2015	Conducted mitigation planning team meeting.
March 11, 2015	Conducted mitigation planning team meeting.
March 30, 2015	Submitted the 1 st quarter / 2015 HMPG report to PEMA.
April 2015	Hazard mitigation planning sessions for municipalities were initiated by County Mitigation Officer Allen Kline.
April 8, 2015	Daytime regional planning meeting held in Richland Township.
April 8, 2015	Evening regional planning meeting in Ebensburg.
July 15, 2015	Hazard Mitigation Team coordination workshop in the county EOC.
September 25, 2015	THIRA workshop in Ebensburg.
September 25, 2015	THIRA workshop in Richland Township.

A mitigation project website has been established at: www.cambriacountyhmp.com

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES – EVENTS / PROJECTS / INITIATIVES

In 2015, the Cambria County Department of Emergency Services was involved with the following events, projects and initiatives:

1. On-going department projects involving EMA, 9-1-1, Region 13 and Information Technology included:

- WestCORE
- ESINet (Phase II completed)
- Communicator NXT program
- CAD upgrade
- Avaya phone system installation

2. On February 12th, 2015 the Cambria County Board of Commissioners signed a resolution in support of a comprehensive rewrite of Chapter 53, Title 35 of the Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act that addresses a revamping of the 9-1-1 funding stream based on telephone subscriber surcharges.

3. Social media initiative as of December 31st, 2015:

Twitter “Followers”: 1,567
Facebook “Likes”: 4,479

4. A Department of Emergency Services staff meeting was conducted on the following date:

January 9, 2015
June 15, 2015 (Thunder in the Valley operations)

5. 9-1-1 supervisor Quality Assurance / Quality Improvement workshops were conducted on the following dates:

February 6, 2015
May 14, 2015
June 2, 2015
July 10, 2015
August 11, 2015
October 12, 2015
December 15, 2015

6. WestCORE project coordination meetings and implementation workshops were conducted on the following dates:

July 13	August 17	September 28
July 14	August 31	October 6
July 20	September 8	October 29
July 27	September 14	November 9
August 10	September 21	November 23

Department Events / Projects / Initiatives – continued

7. The following 9-1-1 telecommunicators earned their Basic Certification in emergency management from the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) as Department staff members:

Noelle Berkey
Heather Craver
Evan Dabbs
Chris Hester
Chris Meyers
Ian Olsavsky

8. The live-fire fire extinguisher CERT training class presented on September 16th to twenty-two students enrolled in the IU08 Life Skills Program was featured on the WATM ABC 23 television program *Kaleidoscope the Series* – a program that highlights “good news in our region”. The training was conducted by EMA staff.
9. On July 9th, the Cambria County Commissioners presented a *CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION* to the Cambria County 9-1-1 dispatchers and supervisors in recognition of their completion of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1061 Telecommunicator 1 and 2 Certification Levels.
10. On August 18th, the National Weather Service presented the Cambria County Department of Emergency Services with their re-certification as a STORMREADY COUNTY. This designation identifies that Cambria County has met the criteria in regards to severe weather preparedness and response in accordance with NWS standards nationally. The re-certification expires in November 2018.

Cambria County was one of four counties included in the first group of counties certified by the National Weather Service as StormReady in November 2000. As such, Cambria County has maintained a proud and beneficial relationship with the National Weather Service in State College.

FEDERAL EXERCISE PROGRAM

In 2015, the following exercises were conducted by the Cambria County Department of Emergency Services in accordance with guidelines established by the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP):

- Exercise Date:** February 13, 2015
Exercise Type: Full-scale Exercise
Exercise Focus: Response
Description: Active shooter simulated exercise at the Cambria Height High School involving school administration, faculty, support staff and volunteer student; Cambria County EMA/9-1-1; local law enforcement; Pennsylvania State Police; and the Cambria County SERT.
- Exercise Date:** March 25, 2015
Exercise Type: Functional Exercise
Exercise Focus: Response / Recovery
Description: Statewide severe weather exercise from the County EOC. Activation of the Department's Communicator 9-1-1 telephone alert system to schools and daycares countywide. EMA staff solicited simulated countywide damage assessments and submitted such to PEMA via the Knowledge Center information and reporting system.
- Exercise Date:** April 1, 2015
Exercise Type: Tabletop Exercise
Exercise Focus: Response
Description: Simulated commuter aircraft crash during landing that was a prelude to the full-scale exercise planned for May as part of the airport's FAA certification requirement. Thirty-seven representatives of various emergency response departments and agencies participated along with airport management staff and support services.
- Exercise Date:** April 7, 2015
Exercise Type: Tabletop Exercise
Exercise Focus: Response / Recovery
Description: Region 13-sponsored exercise that simulated a regional power outage affecting Western Pennsylvania during a severe winter storm. Cambria County EMA and Penelec officials represented Cambria County in the exercise hosted by Allegheny County.
- Exercise Date:** April 28, 2015
Exercise Type: Tabletop Exercise
Exercise Focus: Response
Description: Transportation Security Administration (TSA) - sponsored exercise that simulated a transportation system terrorism incident involving CamtTran operations. The exercise was held at the Cambria County central Park Complex.

Federal Exercise Program – continued

Exercise Date:	May 13, 2015
Exercise Type:	Functional Exercise
Exercise Focus:	Response
Description:	Simulated active shooter incident with the Cambria SERT and the Johnstown Police Department at the Cambria Rowe Business College.
Exercise Date:	May 16, 2015
Exercise Type:	Full-Scale Exercise
Exercise Focus:	Response / Recovery
Description:	Simulated commuter aircraft crash during landing as part of the airport's FAA certification requirement. One-hundred and twenty representatives of various emergency response departments and agencies, the PA National Guard, and Conemaugh and Windber Medical Centers participated along with airport management staff and support services.
Exercise Date:	May 16, 2015
Exercise Type:	Full-Scale Exercise
Exercise Focus:	Response
Description:	Thirty members of SHARP participated in a simulated exercise involving a pressurized cylinder and a leaking drum in a cargo box truck with a victim down from chemical exposure. Exercise operations included scene safety/management; chemical metering and monitoring; victim packaging and decontamination; product containment; and drum over-packing.
Exercise Date:	June 10, 2015
Exercise Type:	Functional Exercise
Exercise Focus:	Response / Recovery
Description:	Simulated active shooter incident in the library on the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown campus. In addition, the campus Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was activated and staff by UPJ administration and support services. Forty EMA, law enforcement and UPJ officials and staff participated in the exercise.
Exercise Date:	June 16, 2015
Exercise Type:	Functional Exercise
Exercise Focus:	Response
Description:	Planned fire alarm activation and evacuation of the Central Park Complex in Johnstown. County EMA and the Johnstown Fire Department conducted the exercise.
Exercise Date:	August 13, 2015
Exercise Type:	Functional Exercise
Exercise Focus:	Response
Description:	Simulated active shooter exercise on the campus of Mount Aloysius College in Cresson Township. Coordinated with college administration, campus safety/security, local law enforcement and the Cambria County SERT.

Federal Exercise Program – continued

Exercise Date: September 3, 2015
Exercise Type: Full-Scale Exercise
Exercise Focus: Response / Recovery
Description: Simulated improvised explosive device (IED) on a patrol vehicle with collateral damage leading to a mass casualty/fatality event and security breaches at the FCI-Loretto. The exercise also involved the activation of the prison emergency operations center (EOC). Participants included the FCI administration and correctional staff, the Department of Emergency Services, Cambria County SERT, PA State Police, and local fire and EMS personnel.

Exercise Date: October 12, 2015
Exercise Type: Functional Exercise
Exercise Focus: Response
Description: ALICE program / exercise for the Central Cambria School District.

Exercise Date: October 12, 2015
Exercise Type: Functional Exercise(s)
Exercise Focus: Response
Description: ALICE program / exercise; lockdown exercise; and evacuation exercise at the Portage Area High School.

Exercise Date: October 27-29, 2015
Exercise Type: Tabletop Exercise
Exercise Focus: Response / Recovery
Description: Region 13 / Healthcare Coalition exercise “Operation Full Moon” primarily involving both Conemaugh Medical Center and Miners Medical Center with resource support through Cambria County Emergency Management in response to a regional pandemic event. The Region 13 Knowledge Center was utilized to promote region-wide coordination.

Exercise Date: November 16, 2015
Exercise Type: Functional Exercise
Exercise Focus: Response
Description: Simulated industrial fire in the coal shaker facility at the Cambria Cogen (SARA) complex. The exercise included two physical rescues - one being a confined space; and hazmat air monitoring of the facility and grounds.

End of 2015 Exercise Programs

9-1-1 / EMA ADVISORY COMMITTEES

EMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members of the Cambria County EMA/9-1-1 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Advisory Committee for CY 2015 were:

Eric Miller (Chairperson)	Forest Hills Ambulance
Barry Blake	Ebensburg Area Ambulance
Michael Brawley	7 th Ward EMS
Don Gawel	East Hills Ambulance
Ira Hart	West End Ambulance
Carla Hoenshell	Cambria Alliance EMS
Dr. John Karduck	CCDES Medical Director
Pete Long	Upper Yoder Fire/EMS
Storm Nagle	Conemaugh Medical Center
Kevin Schrock	Johnstown Fire QRS/ Hilltop EMS
Jason Troxell	Portage Area Ambulance
Dr. Neil Yoder	Conemaugh Medical Center
Rob Young	Hastings Area EMS

Quarterly meetings were conducted on the following dates:

February 11, 2015
May 13, 2015
August 12, 2015
November 13, 2015

Highlights and topics of importance included:

1. Ira Hart provided an overview of features provided by the new bariatric unit put into service by the West End Ambulance Service.
2. Dr. Karduck provided comment on the current outbreak of measles and noted that Pennsylvania has a high rate of immunizations that will benefit against contracting measles.
3. The East Hills Ambulance Service placed into service Special Services 9, a rehab scene support unit.
4. Robbin Melnyk noted new NENA standards and PEMA requirements regarding the answering of incoming 9-1-1 calls.
5. Ira Hart advised that the health clinic that operated during the Thunder in the Valley event was a beneficial operation in regards to EMS operations.
6. Robbin Melnyk provided regular overviews of numerous 9-1-1 CAD upgrades including new EMS dispatch protocols, upgraded mapping, and cost-saving initiatives involving CAD maintenance.

LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members of the Cambria County EMA / 9-1-1 Law Enforcement Advisory Committee for CY 2015 were:

Phil Vaught, Chairperson	Jackson Township Police Department
Robert Fatula, Vice-Chair	St. Francis University Police Department
Andrew Frear	Johnstown Police Department
Danid Hassen, Sr.	Northern Cambria Borough Police Department
William Hines	Carrolltown Borough Police Department
Robert Kolar	Cambria County Sheriff's Department
Dennis Kwiatkowski	Cambria County Coroner's Office
Vincent Leppert	Patton Borough Police Department
Joseph Loughran	PA State Police
Edward Miller	Portage Borough Police Department
Stephen Paraska	PA State Police
Tim Rhoades	Richland Township Police Department
Bill Richards	Greater Johnstown Career & Tech Center Police Academy
Terry Wyland	Ebensburg Borough Police Department

Quarterly meetings were conducted on the following dates:

January 20, 2015
April 21, 2015
July 21, 2015
October 20, 2015

Highlights and topics of importance included:

1. The terrorism-related tabletop exercise involving the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Pittsburgh, CamTran, the Department of Emergency Services and City of Johnstown emergency departments.
2. Discussion regarding drug overdose reporting and police dispatches along with EMS.
3. Discussion regarding the administering of the drug Narcan by law enforcement for overdoses.
4. Region 13 policy recommendations regarding bomb threats in schools and the subsequent requests for and the use of bomb dogs.
5. Passenger train emergency response training presented by Amtrak and hosted by Mount Aloysius College.
6. The welcoming of Sergeant Steven Paraska to the Advisory Committee as the new Station Commander for the Pennsylvania State Police – Ebensburg Barracks.
7. The distribution of PaCIC (Pennsylvania Criminal Intelligence Center) advisories to advisory members and all law enforcement countywide via email.
8. The implementation of the A.L.I.C.E. (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter Evacuate) school emergency programs by the Department of Emergency Services, Cambria SERT and local law enforcement.
9. The first annual law enforcement appreciation day hosted by Saint Francis University.

FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members of the Cambria County EMA / 9-1-1 Fire Advisory Committee for CY 2015 were:

Robert Heffelfinger, Chairperson	Richland Township Fire Department
David Thomas, Vice-Chair	Somerset / Cambria Fire Police Association
Pete Barczak	Hope Fire Company
Rich Brown	Nanty Glo Fire Company
Thomas Buchan	East Taylor Township Fire Company
Jeffrey Evans	Dauntless Fire Company
Robert Illig, Jr.	Carrolltown Fire Engine Company
Anthony Kovacic	Johnstown Fire Department
Tom Reighard, Jr.	Conemaugh Independence FD
Carl Richards	PA State Police
Thomas Updyke	Somerset Cambria Fire Police Association
Steve Verbosky	Cambria Township Fire Company

Quarterly meetings were conducted on the following dates:

March 24, 2015
June 23, 2015 (Cancelled)
September 22, 2015
December 22, 2015

Highlights and topics importance included:

1. Carl Richards, a Pennsylvania State Police fire marshal from the Ebensburg barracks was introduced to the committee as a new appointment to the fire advisory committee.

Trooper Richards noted he will be assisted by Trooper Snedden and Trooper Kovach in his duties as Fire Marshal.
2. Ronald Springer explained the process for requesting county resources such as barricades for major traffic control details.
3. The integration of mapping into the county GIS format.
4. Robbin Melnyk provided regularly status reports on the alarm card upgrades; details regarding the new CAD system and the technology being afforded by such; and multiple future advancements including mapping upgrades.

TRAINING PROGRAMS ATTENDED

- January 22 Ronald Springer, Robbin Melnyk, Allen Kline and Daniel Morris attended instructor development training in Ebensburg as provided through the Bucks County Community College Public Safety Training Center.
- January 27 Daniel Blackburn attended GeoCode Virtual training in Pittsburgh.
- February 2-3 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn attended ALICE train-the-trainer training in Pittsburgh.
- February 20 Daniel Morris attended demo training sponsored by Region 13 on the FLIR infrared and radiological monitoring systems.
- February 26 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline attended the federal course "Railroad Emergencies" (AWR-147) held in Greensburg in conjunction with PEMA quarterly.
- February 27 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline attended PEMA quarterly training held in Greensburg.
- March 3 Daniel Blackburn attended ESINet 101 and 102 course training at the Allegheny County EOC.
- March 10 Robbin Melnyk, Daniel Blackburn, Joan Villa and Jamie Szymusiak attended a presentation on the Nickel Mines school shooting incident sponsored by the Southern Alleghenies EMS Council at the Solomon Run fire station.
- March 13 Robbin Melnyk, Daniel Blackburn, Thomas Davis, Joan Villa, Jamie Szymusiak, Thomas Schreyer and Larry Penatzer attended the county-sponsored Leadership Course at St. Francis University.
- March 17 9-1-1 administration and supervisors attended Vesta phone system training in the County EOC.
- March 20 Robbin Melnyk, Daniel Blackburn, Thomas Davis, Joan Villa, Jamie Szymusiak, Thomas Schreyer and Larry Penatzer attended the county-sponsored Leadership Course at St. Francis University.
- March 23 Ronald Springer attended a Penelec/First Energy electrical safety training program held in Ebensburg.
- March 26-27 The Department hosted a Basic Public Information Officer (G-290) course through the Bucks County Public Safety Training Center in the county EOC. Melanie Gillespie, a field reporter / weekend news anchor for WJAC-TV was a guest program presenter.
- April 7 Robbin Melnyk, Daniel Blackburn, Allen Kline, Daniel Morris, Thomas Davis, Jamie Szymusiak, Chris Hester, Brad Boxler, Dan Abrams, Courtney Maines and Brad Klemann attended the ALICE seminar at the Richland School District.
- April 9 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn attended the SAEMS-sponsored seminar on the Sandy Hook school shooting in Hollidaysburg.
- April 13 Daniel Morris attended the Southern Allegheny EMS Council's safety seminar held in Richland Township.

Training Programs Attended – continued

April 17, 24; May 1, 8; June 5

Robbin Melnyk, Daniel Blackburn, Thomas Davis, Joan Villa and Jamie Szymusiak attended the county-sponsored Leadership Course presented by St. Francis University.

April 28 Daniel Blackburn and Jamie Szymusiak attended Aurora phone training in the county EOC.

May 1-3 Daniel Morris attended fire suppression instructor development training at the PA State Fire Academy in Lewistown.

May 5 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline attended the Blair County LEPC-sponsored SARA Summit held at the Blair County Convention Center.

May 13 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline attended the Penelec/First Energy-sponsored Storm Preparedness / Response Program in Altoona.

May 17-19 Daniel Morris attended fire suppression instructor development training at the PA State Fire Academy in Lewistown.

May 20 Daniel Blackburn participated in the APCO Tactical Dispatcher training via webinar.

June 2 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline attended a Homeland Security-sponsored workshop titled Improvised Explosive Device (IED) Awareness / Bomb Threat Management in Coraopolis.

June 9 Ronald Springer attended railroad tank car emergency training presented by the Norfolk Southern Railway Company at their Altoona rail yard.

June 9 Ronald Springer, Allen Kline and June Kania attended the National Weather Service-sponsored SKYWARN severe weather program held at the courthouse.

June 10 Allen Kline attended a Traffic Incident Management train-the-trainer program.

June 10-11 Daniel Blackburn attended and received national Telecommunicator Certification presented by Bucks County Public Safety Training Center in the county EOC.

June 17 Daniel Blackburn participated in an Active Shooter training webinar.

June 17 Robbin Melnyk, Daniel Blackburn, Thomas Davis, Brad Klemann and Daniel Abrams participated in a SERT exercise held at the Cambria County Fire School.

June 23-24 Ronald Springer attended PEMA's mega quarterly training held in Harrisburg.

July 17 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline attended mobile decontamination training at the Greater Pittsburgh International Airport.

July 30 Allen Kline, Daniel Blackburn, Joan Villa, Joseph LaMantia, Gregory Schilling and David Effinger attended a National Weather Service orientation program at State College.

August 13 The PEMA G-557 "Rapid Needs Assessment Course" was conducted in the Cambria County EOC.

Training Programs Attended – continued

- August 25 Daniel Morris attended the ALICE safe schools program at the Richland School District.
- August 27-28 Ronald Springer and Steve Kass (SHARP Hazmat Team) attended the Pennsylvania Hazmat Technician's Conference held at Seven Springs Resort.
- September 3 Ronald Springer, Allen Kline, Daniel Blackburn, Daniel Morris, June Kania and Darlene Rankin attended the Amtrak railroad program "Passenger Train Emergency Response" that was coordinated by the Department of Emergency Services and presented by Amtrak Region 3 at Mount Aloysius College.
- September 8 Ronald Springer participated in a tabletop exercise on crude oil emergencies in rail transportation in Altoona. The program was facilitated by Innovative Technologies, Inc.
- September 9-10 The PEMA G-270 "Recovery from Disaster" course was conducted in the Cambria County EOC.
- September 16-18 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn attended the National Emergency Number Association (NENA) Conference held in State College.
- October 2 Daniel Blackburn attended APCO training in Allegheny County.
- October 6 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline attended the Alleghenies Regional Safety Conference held in Johnstown and sponsored by JARI.
- October 7 Daniel Blackburn attended the LinkUp Technology Conference.
- October 7 Ronald Springer attended the CCAP-sponsored safety workshop held in State College.
- October 7 Ronald Springer attended the Paradigm, Inc.-sponsored pipeline safety /awareness program held in Altoona.
- October 13 Ronald Springer attended the CCAP-sponsored employee management workshop held in State College.
- October 30 Ronald Springer attended the PUC-sponsored "Be Utility Wise" program held at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown.
- November 5 Ronald Springer participated in a Penn State Extension Office-sponsored teleconference on the Avian Influenza.
- November 18-19 Thomas Davis attended 9-1-1 telecommunicator train-the-trainer program on serving special-need callers at the Southern Alleghenies EMS offices.
- December 16 Ronald Springer participated in the PEMA awareness and introduction session regarding the new PEMA meteorologist's program.

END OF TRAINING PROGRAMS ATTENDED

TRAINING / PUBLIC PROGRAMS PRESENTED

- January 12 Daniel Blackburn conducted a lockdown/shelter-in-place tabletop exercise at the Cambria Rowe Business College.
- January 14 Ronald Springer instructed the PEMA course “Duties and Responsibilities of the Local Coordinator” in the County EOC to 9-1-1 telecommunicators.
- January 14 Ronald Springer instructed the PEMA course “Work Environment of the EMA Coordinator” in the County EOC to 9-1-1 telecommunicators.
- January 15 Daniel Morris instructed a Hazardous Materials Awareness course in the County EOC for 9-1-1 telecommunicators.
- January 16 Allen Kline presented the PEMA “Damage Reporting and Assessment” course to 9-1-1 telecommunicators in the county EOC.
- January 16 Allen Kline presented a “State Animal Response Team (SART) Orientation” course to 9-1-1 telecommunicators in the county EOC.
- February 13 Daniel Blackburn coordinated an active shooter exercise at the Cambria Heights High School involving local municipal police, the PA State Police, Cambria County SERT, the Department of Emergency Services, and the Cambria Heights administration, faculty and volunteer students.
- February 22 Allen Kline coordinated a joint water rescue training session involving large animals at the Hinckston Run Dam between the Cambria CART and the county water rescue team.
- March 4 Robbin Melnyk and Ronald Springer instructed the FEMA course “ICS / EOC Interface” (G-191) in the County EOC to 9-1-1 telecommunicators.
- March 18 Robbin Melnyk and Ronald Springer instructed the FEMA course “ICS / EOC Interface” (G-191) in the County EOC to 9-1-1 telecommunicators.
- March 23 Ronald Springer assisted in conducting a fire evacuation drill at the Senior Life facility in Cambria Township.
- March 31 The Department sponsored an emergency services awareness training program at the Cambria County Courthouse with the following services providing curriculum:
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| Pennsylvania State Police | Sovereign groups / terrorism awareness |
| Cambria County SERT | SERT operations |
| American Red Cross | Red Cross operations / programs |
| First Energy / Penelec | Penelec operations / electrical safety |
| PennDOT – Cambria County | PennDOT operations |
| Bedford County Wilderness SAR | Search and rescue operations |
| Cambria County Water Rescue Team | Water rescue and recovery operations |
- April 6 Ronald Springer presented a fire safety and protective actions program to staff at My Day Care.
- April 8 Ronald Springer presented an overview of emergency management operations to nursing students enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown.

Training Programs Presented – continued

- April 29 Ronald Springer presented an industrial HAZWOPER Refresher course to staff at North American Hoganas in Johnstown.
- May 1 Ronald Springer presented a Prom Promise program to students at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School.
- June 11 Robbin Melnyk and Ronald Springer presented the PEMA G-series course EOC/ICS Interface to staff at the FCI-Loretto.
- June 24 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn presented two training sessions on 9-1-1 operations to attendees at the PEMA mega quarterly training in Harrisburg.
- July 21-28 Robbin Melnyk and Ronald Springer instructed a hazmat decontamination course for the Hope Fire Company in conjunction with Hope's hazmat decon team affiliation with the SHARP Hazmat Team.
- July 23 Ronald Springer and Daniel Morris presented a decontamination training program at the Somerset County Airport for five regional county hazmat teams representing Cambria, Fayette, Indiana, Somerset and Westmoreland counties.
- August 4-7 Ronald Springer, Robbin Melnyk and Allen Kline presented a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program for citizens at the Glendale Yearound residential community.
- August 24 Robbin Melnyk, Daniel Blackburn and Cambria County SERT presented an ALICE safe schools program at the United School District.
- August 25 Robbin Melnyk, Daniel Blackburn and Cambria County SERT presented an ALICE safe schools program at the Richland School District.
- September 1 Allen Kline presented the PEMA courses "Duties and Responsibilities of the EMC" and "Damage Assessment" to Cambria County Department of Emergency Services staff.
- September 3 Robbin Melnyk and Ronald Springer presented the FEMA G-386 "Mass Fatality" course for staff at the FCI-Loretto.
- September 16 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline presented a live-fire fire extinguisher CERT training class to (22) students from the IU08 Life Skills Program.
- September 17-28 Ronald Springer, Robbin Melnyk and Allen Kline presented a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program for area citizens at the Gallitzin Fire Station.
- September 22 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline conducted a workshop for Cambria County Head Start administration and staff on re-unification procedures during and after an emergency at the Head Start facility in Johnstown.
- September 23-24 Ronald Springer and Robbin Melnyk presented the FEMA G-235 "Emergency Planning" course to Cambria County Department of Emergency Services staff.

Training Programs Presented – continued

- October 6 Ronald Springer presented a hazardous material safety / awareness program and also participated in a roundtable discussion at the JARI Regional Safety Conference in Johnstown.
- October 9 Ronald Springer presented a program on “Fire Safety and Emergency Evacuation” at Saint Francis University for regional Behavioral Healthcare early intervention childcare providers.
- October 27 Ronald Springer and Robbin Melnyk presented (6) programs on the events of September 11th, 2001 to students at the Central Cambria Middle School.
- October 30 Ronald Springer presented a winter safety program at the PUC-sponsored “Be Utility Wise – Enhancing Community Connections” program held at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown.
- November 2 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn presented ALICE safe school training at the Richland Area School District.
- November 3 Ronald Springer and Robbin Melnyk presented a hazmat decontamination review program to staff at the Somerset Hospital.
- November 12 Ronald Springer, along with representatives from Catholic Charities and the ACRP, presented a funding awareness, weatherization, and winter safety program in Johnstown to LIHEAP and energy assistance clients.
- November 16 Ronald Springer, along with representatives from Catholic Charities and the ACRP, presented a funding awareness, weatherization, and winter safety program in Portage to LIHEAP and energy assistance clients.
- November 17 Ronald Springer, along with representatives from Catholic Charities and the ACRP, presented a funding awareness, weatherization, and winter safety program in Johnstown to LIHEAP and energy assistance clients.
- November 18 Ronald Springer, along with representatives from Catholic Charities and the ACRP, presented a funding awareness, weatherization, and winter safety program in Northern Cambria to LIHEAP and energy assistance clients.
- December 8 Ronald Springer conducted a fire safety program for the Appalachian Youth Service in Ebensburg.
- December 10 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the monthly meeting of the Volunteer Firemen’s Association of Cambria County & Vicinity, hosted by the Portage Fire Company.
- December 14 Ronald Springer presented a program on fire safety and protective actions to daycare providers. The program was held in Ebensburg and was sponsored by the Cambria County Child Development Corporation.
- December 28 Robbin Melnyk and Thomas Davis presented a communications review of the First Baptist Church fire in Nanty Glo and an update on 9-1-1 initiatives. The program was hosted by the Nanty Glo Fire Department.

END OF TRAINING PROGRAMS PRESENTED

EMERGENCY SERVICE LIAISONS & OUTREACH

- January 5 Daniel Morris represented the Department in Region 13 fire / hazmat sub-committee meetings via Polycom.
- January 7 Ronald Springer performed a fire safety inspection and evacuation review at the Cambria Care Center.
- January 7 Ronald Springer met with representatives from the Cambria County Auxiliary Communication Services (ACS) regarding amateur radio communications.
- January 8 Ronald Springer conducted an airport exercise planning workshop with officials at the Johnstown Cambria County Airport.
- January 9 Ronald Springer, Allen Kline and County Treasurer Lisa Kozorosky participated in a pre-mitigation grant funding workshop.
- January 12 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline represented the Department at a memorial service for Robert Fisher, a long-time local EMA coordinator for East Conemaugh Borough.
- January 12 Daniel Morris represented the Department in Region 13 training sub-committee meetings via Polycom.
- January 13 Ronald Springer, Allen Kline and Daniel Morris participated in a program coordination session with Red Cross officials from the newly formed Central Mountains Chapter.
- January 13 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the WestCore program meeting.
- January 15 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline represented the Department at the monthly Region 13 board session in Pittsburgh.
- January 21 Ronald Springer met with Jim Hudak from Blair County Social Services regarding coordination with Cambria County programs.
- January 21 Daniel Morris attended a Smith's Detection refresher training program on the hazmat and gas IDs.
- January 26-27 Daniel Morris attended a 3D camera use training sponsored by Region 13 at PNC Park.
- January 28 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the WPAPPA security group meeting in Richland Township.
- January 30 Ronald Springer and Robbin Melnyk met with Trina Thompson from the St. Francis University nursing program regarding the establishment of a work-study initiative.
- February 2 Daniel Morris represented the Department in Region 13 fire / hazmat sub-committee meetings via Polycom.

Liaisons & Outreach – continued

- February 3 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline represented the Department at the quarterly workshop of the Region 13 agriculture sub-committee hosted by the PA Department of Health in Greensburg.
- February 9 Daniel Morris represented the Department in Region 13 training sub-committee meetings via Polycom
- February 10 Ronald Springer and Daniel Morris participated in the Region 13 training sub-committee session via Polycom.
- February 10 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the WestCore program meeting.
- February 10 Ronald Springer met with officials from the Cambria County Association for the Blind & Handicapped regarding emergency planning at both the Johnstown and Ebensburg divisions.
- February 11 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the weekly Region 13 coordination session via Polycom.
- February 11 Ronald Springer, Allen Kline and Darlene Rankin represented the Department at a mitigation project meeting.
- February 19 Ronald Springer and Robbin Melnyk represented the Department at the monthly Region 13 board session via Polycom.
- February 24 Ronald Springer met with Chief Clerk James Bonini regarding department programs and initiatives.
- February 24 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the Southern Alleghenies EMS Council meeting.
- February 25 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the WPAPPA security group meeting in Richland Township.
- March 2 Daniel Morris represented the Department in Region 13 fire / hazmat sub-committee meetings via Polycom.
- March 5-6 The Department of Emergency Services staff assisted at wake service and the memorial service for Janice Keen-Livingston, a West End Ambulance Service paramedic, who was fatally injured in a line-of-duty accident on March 2, 2015.
- March 9 Daniel Morris represented the Department in Region 13 training sub-committee meetings via Polycom
- March 11 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline represented the Department at the memorial wake service for Firefighter Jeffrey Buck, Jr., of the Lawrence Township Fire Company in Clearfield County, who was fatally injured while battling a house fire.
- March 12 Ronald Springer represented the Department at a fire mutual-aid workshop sponsored by the Cresson Fire Company.

Liaisons & Outreach – continued

- March 18 Allen Kline and June Kania represented the Department at the Fuel / Energy Crisis Task Force session held in Johnstown
- March 21 Ronald Springer represented the Department at a emergency services appreciation and recognition program hosted by the Lakeside Community Church of the Nazarene in Ebensburg.
- March 25 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the weekly Region 13 coordination meeting via Polycom.
- March 25 Ronald Springer met with officials from the Cambria County Child Development Corporation and the District Attorney's Office regarding safety program initiatives for summer vacation and after-school programs.
- April 1 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the weekly Region 13 coordination meeting via Polycom.
- April 8 Daniel Morris attended the County hazard mitigation project kick-off meeting in hosted by the Department of Emergency Services.
- April 8 Ronald Springer met with PA Department of Health officials regarding POD integration for public health emergencies.
- April 13 Daniel Morris represented the Department in the Region 13 training sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- April 13 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline met with Red Cross officials regarding shelter management and Red Cross operations.
- April 14 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the WestCore project coordination meeting.
- April 16 Ronald Springer and Robbin Melnyk represented the Department at the FCI-Loretto prison's Community Relations Board meeting.
- April 20 Daniel Morris represented the Department in the Region 13 fire / hazmat sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- April 22 Ronald Springer and Robbin Melnyk met with FCI-Loretto IMT staff regarding prison ICS/EOC/ICP operations.
- April 22 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the monthly meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Professional Protection Association (WPAPPA) for area banking industry officials held in Richland Township.
- April 23 Ronald Springer, Allen Kline and Daniel Morris attended the annual transportation outreach workshop hosted by PennDOT.
- April 23 Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the Region 13 communications sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- May 7 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn participated in a NENA workshop.

Liaisons & Outreach – continued

- May 11 Daniel Morris represented the Department in the Region 13 training sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- May 12 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the WestCore project coordination meeting.
- May 12 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline represented the Department at the Region 13 agriculture sub-committee workshop hosted by the PA Department of Health in Greensburg.
- May 14 The Department of Emergency Services coordinated an operational planning meeting with multiple agencies regarding the Thunder in the Valley motorcycle rally at the Central Park Complex.
- May 18 Daniel Morris represented the Department in the Region 13 fire / hazmat sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- May 18 Ronald Springer met with University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown officials regarding EOC functions and ICS operations.
- May 21-22 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline assisted with a wake service detail and represented the Department at the funeral service for Pennsylvania State Police Trooper Patrick Stewart who passed away from natural causes.
- May 27 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the monthly meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Professional Protection Association (WPAPPA) for area banking officials held in Richland Township.
- May 28 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the monthly meeting of the Volunteer Firemen's Association of Cambria County hosted by the Gallitzin Volunteer Fire Company.
- June 4 Ronald Springer represented Cambria County at the Central Pennsylvania Integrated Weather Impacts Team Workshop hosted by the National Weather Service in State College.
- June 8 Daniel Morris represented the Department in the Region 13 training sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- June 9 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the WestCore project coordination meeting.
- June 15 Daniel Morris represented the Department in the Region 13 fire / hazmat sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- June 16 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn represented the Department in a Southern Alleghenies EMS Council communications workshop.
- June 18 Ronald Springer and Robbin Melnyk represent the Department at the monthly Region 13 board of control meeting held in Pittsburgh.
- June 22 Thomas Davis and Ronald Springer performed a review of the St. Francis University work-study program involving Department operations.

Liaisons & Outreach – continued

- July 8 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the weekly Region 13 coordination meeting via Polycom.
- July 13 Ronald Springer represented the Department in the Region 13 training sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- July 16 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the monthly Region 13 Board of Control meeting via Polycom.
- July 22 Ronald Springer attended the Public Utility Commission’s “Be Utility Wise” program coordination session hosted by Peoples Natural Gas.
- July 23 Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the Region 13 communications sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- July 28 Ronald Springer conducted a fire safety and evacuation program for staff at the Home Nursing Agency.
- July 28 Ronald Springer and County Commissioner Thomas Chernisky met with representatives of the county water rescue team in Johnstown regarding program funding and grant opportunities.
- July 29 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the weekly Region 13 coordination meeting via Polycom.
- July 31 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline represented the Department at both the memorial program and the morning business session as part of the annual Volunteer Firemen’s Association of Cambria County convention hosted by the Nanty Glo Fire Company.
- August 3 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the Region 13 fire/hazmat sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- August 3 Ronald Springer attended the Carrolltown Borough Council meeting to present municipal EMA coordinator and councilor James McCann with his certification in emergency management from PEMA.
- August 4 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline represented the Department at the Region 13 agriculture sub-committee workshop hosted by the PA Department of Health in Greensburg.
- August 4 Allen Kline met with Cambria County Fair Association officials regarding emergency management operations at the fairgrounds.
- August 5 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the weekly Region 13 coordination meeting via Polycom.
- August 6 Ronald Springer represented Region 13 at the State Animal Response Team (SART) Board of Control meeting conducted from Harrisburg.
- August 14 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn met with representatives from Mission Critical Partners (MCP) and the Cambria County Commissioners regarding the Region 13 communications project.

Liaisons & Outreach – continued

- August 18 Allen Kline assisted Miners Hospital personnel with their inventory of hospital decontamination equipment.
- August 19 Ronald Springer, Allen Kline and June Kania represented the Department at the Fuel / Energy Crisis Task Force session held in Johnstown.
- August 19 Ronald Springer attended the Public Utility Commission’s “Be Utility Wise” program coordination session held at the Central Park Complex in Johnstown.
- August 20 Ronald Springer represented the Department along with Steve Kocsis (County GIS) at the monthly Region 13 Board of Control meeting in Pittsburgh.
- August 25 Allen Kline, Ronald Springer and Darlene Rankin represented the Department at the THIRA public meeting in regards to the Hazard Mitigation Plan project.
- August 26 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the monthly meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Professional Protection Association (WPAPPA) for area banking and financial industry officials held in Richland Township.
- September 3 Ronald Springer, Robbin Melnyk, Daniel Blackburn and Allen Hostetler (County IT) met with representatives from the In-The-Stix internet vendor regarding communication operations.
- September 8 Allen Kline represented the Department at the Region 13 Fire and Hazmat Sub-Committee meeting via Polycom.
- September 8 Ronald Springer and Robbin Melnyk met with the new PSP Station Commander Sergeant Steven Paraska at the Ebensburg Barracks.
- September 10 Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the Region 13 communications sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- September 11 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the September 11th anniversary recognition program for first responders and military personal at the Cambria County Fair.
- September 24 Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the monthly Region 13 Board of Control meeting via Polycom.
- September 29 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the Community Relations Board meeting hosted by the FCI-Loretto.
- September 30 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the weekly Region 13 coordination meeting via Polycom.
- October 12 Robbin Melnyk and Daniel Blackburn monitored an active shooter drill conducted at the Central Cambria School District.
- October 12 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline monitored a series of protective action drills conducted at the Portage Area School District.

Liaisons & Outreach – continued

- October 14 Ronald Springer met with Catholic Charities and ACRP representatives in Johnstown to develop a weatherization assistance program for low-income households.
- October 14 Ronald Springer, Allen Kline and June Kania represented the Department at the Fuel / Energy Crisis Task Force workshop held in Johnstown.
- October 15 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the Region 13 board-of-control meeting in Pittsburgh.
- October 28 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the WPAPPA security meeting held in Richland Township.
- October 28 Ronald Springer participated in the weekly Region 13 coordination meeting via Polycom.
- October 29 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline met with State Representative Tommy Sankey (74th Legislative District) to provide an overview of the Department of Emergency Services).
- October 29 Ronald Springer met with representatives of the Alternative Community Resource Program (ACRP) to discuss ACRP programs that can assist low-income and elderly residents.
- November 4 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline met with CPV officials and Jackson Township Fire Company officers regarding initial site planning for the Fairview Energy Center proposed project in Jackson Township.
- November 5 Ronald Springer participated in the Region 13 unconventional drilling sub-committee via Polycom.
- November 9 Ronald Springer participated in the Region 13 water rescue sub-committee meeting via Polycom.
- November 10 Ronald Springer and Allen Kline represented the Department at the Region 13 agriculture sub-committee meeting in Greensburg hosted by the PA Department of Health.
- November 10 Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at the 1st annual Law Enforcement Appreciation Day hosted by Saint Francis University.
- November 10 Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at an evening law enforcement program titled “Improving Law Enforcement /Community Relations in the Digital Age”. The program was held at Saint Francis University.
- November 12 Ronald Springer met with staff from Conemaugh Hospice and Home Nursing Agency regarding emergency operation planning.
- November 12 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the Human Services Building facility safety committee meeting.
- November 14 Ronald Springer and June Kania represented the Department at the annual awards banquet of the Somerset-Cambria Fire Police Association hosted by the Conemaugh Township Fire Department in Tire Hill.

Liaisons & Outreach - continued

- November 18 Robbin Melnyk represented the Department at the EMS Advisory Committee meeting.
- November 19 Ronald Springer represented the Department at the Region 13 board-of-control meeting in Pittsburgh.
- November 19 Daniel Blackburn represented the Department at a safe school meeting hosted by the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 08.
- November 25 June Kania represented the Department at a VOAD meeting in Ebensburg with local and regional Red Cross officials.
- December 1 Ronald Springer represented Region 13 at the State Animal Response Team (SART) board of control meeting.
- December 14 Robbin Melnyk represented the Department at the Region 13 training sub-committee via Polycom.
- December 16 Ronald Springer participated in a meet/greet session with Jeffrey Jumper, the new State Meteorologist who will be working out of PEMA Headquarters in Harrisburg.

END OF LIAISONS & OUTREACH

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