Hazardous Materials Annex of the Medina County Emergency Operations Plan





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2.1 PLANS PURPOSE

Describe why the plan was develo	ped and how it is meant to be used
Explain who has the authority to activate this	This plan can be activated by the Incident
plan.	Commander, the LEPC Emergency Coordinator
	and/or the Medina County EMA Director.
Describe why the plan was developed.	The Hazardous Material Annex is an extension of
	the Medina County Emergency Operations Plan
	dealing specifically with response to hazardous
	material incidents. The purpose of this annex is to
	predetermine the extent possible, actions to be
	taken by the governmental jurisdictions of
	Medina County to prevent avoidable disasters
	and respond quickly and efficiently to hazardous
	materials incidents to save lives and property of
	the residents of Medina County.
Describe how the plan was meant to be used.	This plan should be used to understand hazmat
	risks and demonstrate the capabilities of Medina
	County to prepare for, mitigate, respond to, and
	recover from these risks.

2.2 PLAN BASICS

Identify/Explain the assumptions made and the methods used to complete the Hazards Analyses		
for EHS Facilities within the District.		
Identify what methods were used to complete	ArcGIS is used for mapping of all HS & EHS	
the analyses (i.e., Technical Guidance for	facilities in the county. All facility data is also in	
Hazard Analysis manual, computer software	the CAMEO suite which can be used for plume	
modeling (WISER/CAMEO Suite/ARC GIS), etc.).	modeling. The Hazmat team and fire	
	departments utilize WISER in the field for initial	
	plume modeling of releases.	
Describe the geographic assumptions (rural,	Medina County is the sixteenth most populous	
urban, etc.) made when completing the analyses.	county in the State of Ohio. According to the	
	2020 Census 182,301 people live in Medina	
	County. The county has an area of 421.6 square	
	miles. The eastern part of the County is rolling to	
	hilly, while the western part is nearly flat.	
	Extending across the County is a drainage divide	
	between two drainage basins, the Lake Erie	
	Basin, and the Ohio River Valley. Farmland	
	occupies 94,987 acres of land in the county,	
	which is about 35% of the total land cover, and	
	the average farm size is 103 acres.	
Describe the assumptions made about a	The material quantity, location, and storage	
material's quantity (use of avg amts, max amts,	conditions are based on the maximum quantity	
	reported on the annual Tier II report.	



actual amts, etc.) and its storage condition (one	
container, multiple containers, etc.).	
Describe the weather factors (winds,	U.S. Climate Data found that 48.75°F is the
temperatures, etc.) assumed while completing	average temperature in Medina, with an average
the analyses (i.e., defaults given in CAMEO	annual high of 58.3°F and low of 39.2°F. The
Screening Scenario).	average wind speed and direction in Medina
	County is 10 MPH and 70% of the time it is out of
	the South or West.

2.3 RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PLANS

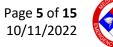
Identify other plans in the district and describe how they would be used in conjunction with this		
plan (i.e., Hospital plans, EOPs, Facility plans, etc.).		
Identify/Describe what other plans will be	This plan will be used in conjunction with the	
employed and how they will be coordinated	Medina County Emergency Operations Plan, the	
when the plans are simultaneously put into	Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality Plan,	
action.	and the Medina County Tactical Interoperability	
	Communications Plan.	

3 SITUATION AND ASSUMPTIONS

3.1 SITUATIONS

3.1.1 Fixed Facility Hazards

Summarize/Identify a brief account of the district's fixed facility hazardous materials risk sites.		
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Identify the EHS Facilities within the District. A	All HS & EHS facility data is stored in CAMEO Data	
Geographic Information System (GIS) with this	Manager. All HS & EHS facility data is also stored	
information can meet this requirement.	in ArcGIS Pro for additional mapping and data	
	analysis capabilities.	
Identify all adjoining Facilities that either may be	All facility locations are in ArcGIS with the	
at risk or adds risk due to their proximity to an	capability to complete several types of analysis.	
EHS Facility within the District. GIS with this	See attached map with facility locations.	
information can meet this requirement. The		
analysis must be identified in GIS, not just the		
ability to do an analysis.		
Summarize the geographic area (sewers, streams,	All facility locations are in ArcGIS with the ability	
watersheds, city, farmland, residential, etc.) and	to complete several types of analysis. ArcGIS data	
the population likely to be affected (approximate	includes all streams, parcels, sewers, etc. CAMEO	
numbers of homes, people, special facilities,	is also utilized to generate plume models which	
types/numbers of properties, etc.) to be affected	can be viewed in ArcGIS with the county's robust	
by a release from an EHS Facility within the	GIS data.	
District. GIS with this information can meet this		
requirement.		



3.1.2 Transportation Hazards

Identify the District's E	HS transportation risks.
Identify the routes likely to be used to transport	See the Hazardous Materials Commodity Flow
EHSs to and from each EHS Facility. GIS with this	Study. Also see Medina County Emergency
information can meet this requirement.	Operations Plan, Section X: Situation Overview,
	(K) Transportation.
Describe the types of transportation risks that	See the Hazardous Materials Commodity Flow
exist (i.e., major roads/intersections, Rail	Study.
lines/yards/intersections, pipelines/stations,	
waterways/ports, etc.).	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan,
	Section X: Situation Overview.
	Based on the CSX HHFT Report, the projected estimated weekly average of high hazard flammable trains through Medina County is 1-3. 99% of cars are alcohols N.O.S. Less than 1% are gasoline, heptanes, and pentanes. No other railroad reports HHFT for Medina County.

3.2 ASSUMPTIONS

Describe/Summarize those assumptions concerning what would happen in the case of an accidental spill or release.		
Summarize the District's capability or limits to respond and control a release.	Fire Departments in Medina County are the first responders to a hazardous materials spill or release in Medina County. If the spill or release is beyond their capability the Medina County All Hazards Type II Hazmat Team will respond. If a spill or release is beyond their capability a Type I hazmat team is available from Summit County and Cuyahoga County. The Ohio EPA and private contractors may also assist.	
	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan, Section X: Situation Overview.	

4 CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

4.1 PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES

4.1.1 Mutual Aid Plan

Identify/Describe the system for providing Mutual Aid to other Districts and within the district.		
Identify the mutual aid agreements in-place for	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan,	
the allocation of emergency facilities, equipment,	Section XIII: Organization and Assignment of	
and personnel.	Responsibilities, (E) Mutual Aid	



	IMAC can also be utilized for mutual aid
	assistance.
Describe the arrangements and integration of other first response efforts when local Fire Dept. abilities are limited (i.e., use of other Typed HM Teams, private contractors, etc.). Only fill out if a typed Hazmat Team is not available in the district.	Medina County has a Type II Hazmat Team.
Identify/Describe any other arrangements made to provide resources or support.	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan, Section XIII: Organization and Assignment of Responsibilities, (E) Mutual Aid

4.1.2 Training Program

Describe the District's standards and methods for meeting these standards		
Describe the training needs/standards for the	Medina County has a type II hazardous materials	
district (i.e., Entry Teams require Tech, Decon	response team. Team members are required to	
Teams require Operations). A listing with specific	be trained to the technician level. They maintain	
names is not required.	training based on hazmat typing requirements for	
	a type II team.	
Describe the method(s) to see that personnel	The Medina County hazardous materials	
acquire and maintain those required levels of	response team trains based on a schedule	
training. (If the methods are up to the individual	developed by the team leader and the All-	
response agencies, then make that statement in	Hazards Team Coordinator. Hazmat training for	
the plan).	other first responders is up to each individual	
	agency.	

4.1.3 Resource Management

Provide a composite summary statement of specialized equipment, facilities, personnel, and emergency response organizations or cite a resource manual available for a response within the district.	
Summarize what specific resources exist within the district.	See Medina County Resource Manual, Emergency Response System Database (CIMS), WebEOC
Identify the Heads of each Emergency Response Organization within the District by Title and Office.	See Medina County Resource Manual. Medina County EMA also maintains a sperate list of all Fire Chiefs, Police Chiefs, and All Hazard Team Leaders.

4.2 RESPONSE PROCEDURES

4.2.1 Initial Notification

Explain/Describe the system for receiving/disseminating initial notification that a release has	
occurred.	
Explain how the Facility reports and the district	Medina County EMA staff receives all release
receives and documents a call received under	reports. Reports are documented on the "Medina
ORC 3750.06.	County 30-minute Hazmat Release Notification"



	form and stored electronically in a spill reporting database.
Explain the procedure(s) to alert response and support agencies.	First response agencies are notified via radio through their respective dispatch centers. The Medina County Hazmat Team is dispatched by the Medina County Sheriff's Office via radio and Active911.
Designate and describe the role of the LEPC's Community Emergency Coordinator.	The Emergency Coordinator is the Medina County EMA Deputy Director. The Emergency Coordinator coordinates the development and implementation of the chemical emergency response and preparedness plan of the district. They also receive verbal and 30-day spill/release follow-up written reports of releases of hazardous chemicals and extremely hazardous substances (EHS) provided under ORC Section 3750.06.
Describe when and how neighboring Districts would be notified.	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan, Section XVI: Communications

4.2.2 Incident Assessment

Summarize/Identify the District's methods/proce	dures to assess the risks posed at an EHS release.
Summarize the capabilities (general), based on	The fire departments are trained to respond at
training, of the District's Fire Depts., to assess a	the hazmat operations level.
release.	
Summarize the capabilities (general), based on	Law enforcement is trained to respond at the
training, of the District's Law Enforcement	hazmat awareness level.
agencies to assess a release.	
Summarize the capabilities (general), based on	EMS personnel are trained to respond at the
training, of the District's EMS personnel to assess	hazmat awareness level.
a release.	
Identify the plans/SOPs/SOGs and agencies to be	Local law enforcement and fire departments are
used to monitor the movement and effects of a	the first responders to hazardous materials
release.	incidents. They will respond based on their
	agencies plans/SOP's/SOG's. If the incident is
	beyond the capability of the fire department,
	they will request the Medina County Hazmat
	team to assist. The hazmat team will respond
	based on their SOG's. Hazmat Team SOG's are
	maintained electronically for team members by
	the All-Hazards Team Coordinator.
Describe who utilizes the monitoring and	The fire department will use the monitoring and
assessment results and is authorized to make	assessment results in conjunction with the
protective action decisions.	hazmat team and is authorized to make
	protective action decisions.



4.3 DIRECTION AND CONTROL

4.3.1 Incident Command

Diagram/Explain how the district implements an Incident Command System (ICS) to manage an EHS	
resp	onse.
Diagram and/or explain the system and layout of the ICS to be used (i.e., how does a hazmat team fit into an existing ICS structure). 29CFR1910.120 requires site control, safety, medical monitoring, and communications be addressed that can be completed through ICS. No need to re-iterate ICS fundamentals.	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan, Section XIV: Direction and Control, (3) On Scene Management
Explain how an incident command post (ICP) will be identified (if a specific identity is used different from normal ICS instruction).	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan, Section XIV: Direction and Control, (3) On Scene Management, (d)
Identify who will select communication networks used during a response and if a specific communication network is used for hazmat response.	See Medina County Tactical Interoperability Communications Plan
Explain who has overall responsibility to maintain control (ORC 3737.80).	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan, ESF 4: Firefighting & Rescue, Section II Situation, B
Describe the method to coordinate on scene hazmat activities with an activated EOC.	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan, Section XIV: Direction and Control

4.3.2 Emergency Operations Center

Identify the Primary/Alternate locations and summarize the use of an Emergency Operations	
Center (EOC) during an EHS response.	
Identify the Primary/Alternate locations and	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan,
explain the mechanism to activate an EOC,	Section XII: Concept of Operations
primary or alternates, for an EHS incident.	
Summarize the roles of the EOC during an	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan,
activation.	Section XII: Concept of Operations
Identify who's in charge of the EOC and describe	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan,
how operations are managed in the EOC.	Section XII: Concept of Operations
Describe the EOC's capabilities or SOPs/SOGs to	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan,
manage a 24-hour response.	Section XII: Concept of Operations

4.3.3 Communications Among Responders

Summarize the system for providing reliable, timely and effective communications among	
responders during an EHS incident.	
Summarize the primary and backup	See Medina County Emergency Operations Plan,
communication methods (hardware) to exchange	Section XVI: Communications.
and coordinate communications, on and off-	See Medina County Tactical Interoperability
scene.	Communications Plan
Identify the compatible frequencies used by	See Medina County Tactical Interoperability
agencies during a response (i.e., who can talk to	Communications Plan



whom to include contiguous local, state, and	
private agencies).	

4.3.4 Containment of Scene Stabilization

Summarize the capabilities and arrangements to be followed by Facility and District personnel to	
contain and stabil	ize an EHS release.
Summarize the capabilities, based on training, of	The fire departments are trained to respond at
the district's various Fire Depts. to contain and	the hazmat operations level.
stabilize a release.	
Summarize the capabilities, based on training, of	Law enforcement is trained to respond at the
the District's Law Enforcement personnel to	hazmat awareness level. Law enforcement is also
provide scene stabilization, such as traffic and	trained in traffic & access control.
access control.	
Summarize the arrangement and integration of	Medina County has a Type II Hazmat Team
other first response efforts when local Fire Dept.	
abilities are limited (i.e., use of HM Teams,	
Private Contractors, etc.) Only fill out if a typed	
Hazmat Team is not available in the county.	
Summarize if the district facilities capability exists	All facilities shall have at least a limited capability
to contain and stabilize a release.	to contain hazardous materials spills & releases.
	Facilities shall follow all local, state & federal laws
	and regulations.

4.3.5 Response Personnel Safety

Describe the methods emergency and medical personnel will provide to ensure the responder	
safety.	
Describe the use of exclusion zones (i.e., Hot or	Most incident scenes will have at least three
Initial Release Area, Warm or Contamination	zones: Hot Zone (contaminated area), Warm
Reduction, and Cold or Clean Zones) to account	Zone (the area where decontamination of
for responders while operating in and around the	personnel and equipment takes place) and the
incident site and entering and leaving the zones.	Cold Zone (the uncontaminated area where
	workers should not be exposed to hazardous
	materials).

4.3.6 Victim Treatment and Handling

Identify/summarize the capabilities of emergency response and medical personnel to provide for	
victim treatment during an EHS release.	
Summarize the capabilities, based on training,	See Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality
the district's various Fire Depts. and EMS	Plan, Section 3.13.F: Hazardous Material
personnel have to recover, treat and transport	(Hazmat)
victims of a release.	
Summarize the capabilities, based on training,	See Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality
the Hospital response to support first responders	Plan, Section 3.7: Hospital Operations
in a release (i.e., the interaction that occurs	
between hospital staff and the medical	
transporter at the hospital.) The LEPC should not	



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dictate procedures/plans to be used "in-house"	
at the hospital.	
Identify the hospitals that would be utilized in	See Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality
caring for contaminated patients within and/or	Plan, Section 3.13.F: Hazardous Material
outside of the district.	(Hazmat)
Explain the procedures used to protect	See Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality
crews/equipment from contamination.	Plan, Section 3.13.F: Hazardous Material
	(Hazmat)
Explain how EMS operations are coordinated	See Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality
with the on-scene commander.	Plan, Section 3.6.L: Communications, Section
	4.2.B: Incident Commander/Unified Command
Explain how EMS coordinates with	See Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality
hospitals/medical centers for patient care	Plan, Section 4.1.J: Coordinating Hospital, section
and transport.	3.6.K Transport, Section 3.6.L: Communications
Describe the use of a dedicated EMS unit to	The Incident Commander is responsible to
monitor and support a Hazmat Team	provide an ALS squad to monitor and support the
	hazmat team. This can be from the fire
	department responsible for the incident or a
	mutual aid department. See "All Hazards Team
	Dispatch Procedure."
Describe how hospitals/medical centers will	See "Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality
coordinate with on-scene agencies during an	Plan, Section 4.1.J: Coordinating Hospital."
incident.	
Describe the coroner's role in an incident (i.e.,	See "Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality
identification, morgue expansion, etc.).	Plan, Section 3.8: Coroner Operations."

4.3.7 Personal Protection of Citizens

4.3.7.1 Evacuation Procedures

Explain/Describe the methods used to implement an evacuation, to include provisions for alternate traffic routes and precautionary evacuations.	
Explain how evacuation procedures are to be implemented, and who has the authority to issue the order.	See "Medina County Evacuation Plan, Operations & Responsibilities #1"
Describe how and when the public is notified of this protective action.	See "Medina County Evacuation Plan, Operations & Responsibilities #2."
Indicate what protective actions the public may be advised to follow.	See "Medina County Evacuation Plan, Operations & Responsibilities #1 & Purpose."
Explain how evacuees will be moved, to include assisting mobility impaired individuals.	See "Medina County Evacuation Plan, Operations & Responsibilities #4."
Explain who will assign evacuation routes as well as alternate routes.	See "Medina County Evacuation Plan, Operations & Responsibilities #4."

4.3.7.2 Sheltering and Mass Care

Identify/Summarize sheltering and mass care provisions which are provided to evacuees.	
Identify the agencies and summarize their	See "Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality
capabilities to implement sheltering and mass	Plan, Section 3.9: Red Cross Operations."
care operations.	



Describe how contact is made for the	See "Medina County Mass Casualty/Mass Fatality
establishment of sheltering or mass care.	Plan, Section 3.9: Red Cross Operations."

4.3.7.3 In-Place Sheltering

Identify/Describe the system, as an option to evacuation, for determining who initiates and the	
methods on how the public is notified.	
Identify who is responsible for initiating this	See "Medina County Evacuation Plan, Operations
action and describe how the public is notified.	& Responsibilities #1".
Describe the procedure used to	See "Medina County Evacuation Plan, Operations
communicate/implement this protective action.	& Responsibilities #2".
Indicate what protective actions the public will be	See "Medina County Evacuation Plan, Operations
advised to follow.	& Responsibilities #1 & Purpose".

4.3.7.4 Public Information

Identify/Describe the system for providing reliable, timely and effective communications to the public during an EHS incident.	
Identify the systems in-place for public warning for each agency (i.e., EAS, sirens, PA's, door-to- door, social media, etc.) and describe their use to warn and notify the public (local and regional) and who has the authority to authorize the activation of the warning device.	EAS, Wireless Emergency Notification System, door-to-door, social media, PA's. Various ORC statutes relevant to partner stakeholders.
Describe how special populations (i.e., schools, nursing homes, hearing-impaired, non-English speaking, etc.) are identified and alerted.	EAS, Wireless Emergency Notification System, door-to-door, social media, PA's. Schools have internal notification systems to notify parents & students.

4.4 RECOVERY METHODS

4.4.1 Cleanup and Disposal

Describe how emergency responders will coordinate for the Clean-up and Disposal from an EHS	
inc	cident.
Describe how and with whom the cleanup and disposal process is coordinated (ORC 3737.80)	ORC 3737.80 "In any emergency situation relating to the prevention of an imminent release of a hazardous material, to the cleanup or disposal of a hazardous material that has been released, or to the related mitigation of the effects of a release of a hazardous material, the chief of the fire department in whose jurisdiction the emergency situation is occurring or his designee is responsible for primary coordination of the on- scene activities of all agencies of the state, the United States government, and political subdivisions that are responding to the emergency situation until the chief relinquishes that responsibility to a representative of one of



the responding public agencies and so notifies that representative."
See "Cleanup Contractor List" for contractors available for cleanup and disposal.

4.4.2 Documentation and Critique	
Describe/Summarize the system the district uses to document each EHS incident.	
Describe what agencies will be responsible to document on-scene and off-scene activities.	Activities will be documented by all responding agencies. Spills & Releases will primarily be
	documented the fire department having jurisdiction via a NFIRS report & ICS forms.
Summarize what agencies would review and maintain incident documentation.	All documentation is reviewed and maintained by the agency completing the documentation. Medina County Hazmat Team incident reports are reviewed by the All-Hazard Team Coordinator and maintained by Medina County EMA.

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4.4.3 Cost Recovery

Describe the procedures to arrange for and receive cost reimbursement for a response.	
Summarize the process of the District's	See "Medina County EMA Hazardous Materials
LEPC/EMA office and the applicable legal	Incident Cost Recovery Policy" and "Medina
representative to arrange cost recovery as per	County Hazmat Cost Recovery Form."
ORC 3745.13	

5 PLAN MAINTENANCE

5.1 ANNUAL PLAN EXERCISE

Describe/Summarize the methods and schedules for exercising the plan.	
Summarize how the LEPC develops and conducts	The Medina County LEPC develops and conducts
its annual exercise as per SERC rules. Citing the	its exercises based on the "Ohio Hazardous
Ohio Hazardous Materials EEM meets this	Materials Exercise and Evaluation Manual."
requirement.	
Describe/Identify the frequency/schedule of	The Medina County LEPC develops and conducts
exercises to be completed during the four-year	its exercises based on the "Ohio Hazardous
exercise cycle. Citing the Ohio Hazardous	Materials Exercise and Evaluation Manual."
Materials EEM meets this requirement.	

5.2 PLAN REVIEW AND UPDATE

Describe the process utilized to review and maintain the plan annually, or as changes in the district		
warrant.		
Describe the LEPC's responsibility to review and	This plan will be maintained in accordance with	
recommend changes to the plan	ORC 3750.	



6 AUTHORITIES AND REFERENCES

6.1 LEGAL AUTHORITIES

Describe, list, or reference those applicable Local, State, and Federal laws that apply to the development of this plan.	
Local/Regional Ordinances or Statutes.	
State Ohio Revised Codes and Ohio	- ORC 3750
Administrative Codes	- 3745.13
	- 3737.80
	- 5502.38
	- OAC 3750-20-70 thru 84
Federal Standards and Regulations	- CERCLA
	- SARA Titles I and III
	- OSHA 1910.120(q)
	- OPA 90
	- NFPA 471-473

6.2 REFERENCES

Describe/List those references used for developing the plan and exercises that are available within the district.	
General planning references	 NRT-1 Cross Reference NRT-2 Ohio Hazardous Materials Exercise and Evaluation Manual
Technical references	 DOT Guidebook AAR/BOE Hazardous Materials Handbook NIOSH guides ATSDR manuals



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7 AUTHENTICATION

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