



# **OSHA SAFETY AND Health Annex and Katrina HASP: Integrating the WETP Response**



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# Katrina Response.

- Event: August 29, 2005
- Presidential Declaration.
- NRP Activation.
- Compliance with NIMS.
- Worker safety and Health Annex Activation (Approximately 1 month later).





# Worker Safety and Health Annex (WSH) of the NRP.

Coordination Agency: DOL/OSHA



Cooperating Agencies:

– DoD



-DHS



- NIEHS/WETP



– DOE



-NIOSH



– EPA



-ATSDR





# WSH (continued)

## NIEHS/WETP

- Training Technical Assistance.
- Safety training to worker target populations.
- Assist and support in development and delivery of site-specific H&S training thru WETP awardees.
- Assistance such as respirator fit testing and distribution of PPE.





# WSH (continued)

- NIEHS/WETP Pre-incident Preparedness:
  - Emergency Support Activation Plan (ESAP).
  - Develop and Maintain Resource center Clearinghouse via Web Site).

## Katrina Responder Training Materials Created by NIEHS Worker Education and Training Program

### PowerPoint Health and Safety Briefing

#### English Version

[Protecting Yourself While Helping Others \(Responder Orientation Briefing\)](#)  (1,612,288 bytes) •New 9-23•

September 2005. 42 pages. This presentation is a joint collaboration between NIEHS and other federal agencies to give health and safety guidance to those responding to Hurricane Katrina. It is the most widely used safety and health awareness program in the disaster zone. Organizations should feel free to customize the program for their intended audiences. The booklet below is intended as an accompanying pocket guide that can be distributed with this training or independently.

#### Spanish Version

[Protección personal y ayuda a los demás: consideraciones de seguridad para participantes](#)  (1,695,744 bytes) •New 9-23•

Septiembre de 2005. 42 páginas. Esta presentación es una colaboración común entre NIEHS y otras agencias federales para dar la dirección de salud y de seguridad a ésas que responden al huracán Katrina. Se piensa para ser una herramienta útil para el entrenamiento de la orientación del sitio.

### Booklet for Responders

#### To Order Brochures

You may order **FREE** brochures from the NIEHS by clicking on the link below . A Spanish version will be available shortly.

[>CLICK HERE TO ORDER BROCHURES<](#)



# WSH (continued)

## Key provisions of Annex:

- Applies to Feds and Fed contractors ONLY.
- 12 specific “Actions” (selected)
  - HASP
  - Collect & Manage data.
  - Coordinate and provide training.
  - Provide psychological First Aid.
  - Provide S&H technical advice and support to JFO Safety Officer and Coordination Group and ICP Safety Officers.
  - Coordinate and manage Annex Cooperating Agencies actions.



# Katrina HASP.

- Issued by OSHA per WSH Annex.
- Dated 8 Oct 2005.
- Approved w/o 10 Oct 2005.
- Applies to Feds and Fed funded contractors.



# Katrina HASP (continued)

## Requires

- HASP for each.
- JHA's
- Recordkeeping and weekly reporting (I/I)
- Training
- Exposure monitoring.
- Hazard control.
- PPE.
- HAZCOM.
- Heat Stress management.
- Sanitation.
- Specific S&H Protections for disaster responses.



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**Safety awareness for responders to  
Hurricane Katrina Mississippi Operations:  
Protecting yourself while helping others**



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# WETP ESAP Activation

## Requires:

- NRP Activation.
- WSH Annex Activation.
- WETP Activation by OSHA (via MOU).
- Training mission assignment from OSHA.
- Training mission assignment from each State JFO.
- Resources.

NOTE: Addresses only training for Feds and Fed contractors.



## **WETP Actions to date.**

Development of ESAP and approval by OSHA.

Coordination per WSH Annex.

H&S Briefing PPT.- 1 September 05.

H&S Booklet- w/o 5 Sept 05.

Responder poster- 13 Sept 05.

Training Policy rec's to OSHA- 26 Sept 05.

Images for training programs- continuing.

Resource materials including Mold Trng Guide.

Individual awardees activation under base funds.



## Funding to Date.

- Base funds-specific authorizations to some.
- \$800K EPA Brownfields
- \$302K via WSH Annex thru 31 Oct 05.
- \$0 under ESF#10.
- Harwood grants- Separate OSHA grant program awarded to several WETP awardees. Pending approval of training materials by OSHA for activation.



# Katrina Response Issues for WETP.

## Training target audiences:

Feds	Included.
Fed contractors	Included.
Public employers	NOT included under Annex \$ unless Fed funded.
Non-Fed funded responders	NOT included



# WETP Issues continued.

## Activation:

- Mission assignment from OSHA required.
- Mission assignment from State JFO's required.
- OSHA HASP must become part of Fed funded contractors contracts. HASP approved by integration into contracts is unknown at this time.
- Resources must be provided.
- Activation of WETP awardees required.
- Deployment plan required.



# WETP Issues continued.

## Training Deployment Plan:

- ID Training target audience.
- Conduct training needs assessment.
- ID training required.
- Deliver training.



# WETP Issues continued.

## HAZWOPER Training:

- Recent OSHA Draft Guidance on the applicability of HAZWOPER to the Katrina response seriously weakens the standard.
- Should expect little demand for HAZWOPER trained workers.



## In the Mean Time:

MMWR (4 Oct 05, LA only, 4 hospitals and 10 non-hospital facilities)

- 7,508 “events”.
- 5 Fataals.
- 55.6% illnesses.
- 26.9% injuries.
- 17.5% non-acute events.
- 9% admitted to hospital.
- Major: ARI, Rash, Motor Vehicle.
- Minor: CO poisoning, Toxics





# Questions?

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