

State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)
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MISSION

The mission of the SERC is to ensure State, federal, and local emergency planning and preparedness is established, integrated, and mutually supportive.

GOALS

Each local community (single or multi-jurisdictional) has a local emergency operations plan (EOP) which is regularly reviewed and exercised to ensure each community's operational readiness to respond to disasters.

Each State and federal agency in Alaska has an agency specific EOP which is regularly reviewed and exercised to ensure each agency's operational readiness to respond to disasters.

Community, industry, State, and federal disaster plans are integrated under a single unified Incident Command System (ICS) maintained by the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS&EM).

Communities in geographic areas which have been unable to establish a single or multi-jurisdictional planning organization are served by State agencies under the leadership of the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS&EM).

Active programs are established at State and local levels to raise public awareness of natural and technological hazards, as well as stress individual and family preparedness and risk reduction.

SERC COMMITTEES

- All Hazards Plan Review Committee (AHPRC)
- Finance Committee
- Interoperable Communications Committee
- Training Committee
- Work Plan Committee
- Urban Search and Rescue Committee
- Citizen Corps

SERC TASKS (including proponent)

1. Participate in finding solutions to statewide domestic preparedness issues. (SERC, DHS&EM)
2. Facilitate communication between state and local emergency planners. (SERC, DHS&EM, AHPRC)
3. Develop a public education program on government disaster readiness responsibilities and plans. (SERC, DHS&EM)
4. Participate in finding solutions to statewide emergency communications issues. (SERC, DMVA)
5. Develop a training program for local and state agency participants in disaster and emergency response incidents. (Training Committee, DHS&EM)
6. Develop and sponsor, as funding allows, a continual series of Alaska Emergency Management Conferences, each with specific topics in support of the SERC mission statement. (SERC, DHS&EM, LEPC Association, Industry)

STANDING SERC TASKS (including proponent)

1. Promote the adoption of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the use of the Incident Command System (ICS) to facilitate interaction with State, local and industry response to all hazards, multi-agency and multi-jurisdictional disasters and emergency incidents. (SERC, DHS&EM)
2. Maintain an active SERC membership. (SERC Coordinator)
3. Approve Local Emergency Planning Districts (LEPD) changes. (SERC Coordinator, DHS&EM, Finance Committee).
4. Approve appointments to Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC). (SERC)
5. Provide technical and financial assistance to maintain active LEPC's. (DHS&EM, DEC, Finance Committee)
6. Encourage LEPC's to maintain an active membership. (DHS&EM)
7. Re-evaluate the purpose and membership of all SERC standing and ad hoc committees with a view toward eliminating those that are no longer necessary or creating new ones as needed. (SERC, SERC Committee Chairs)

8. Review and comment on emergency response plans prepared by local, State and federal agencies. (AHPRC)
9. Provide technical and financial assistance for the preparation and implementation of local emergency operations plans. (DHS&EM, DEC, AHPRC, Finance Committee)
10. Maintain the SERC and LEPC Association web-sites. (SERC Coordinator)
11. Identify funding sources for State and local emergency response preparedness. (DHS&EM, Finance Committee, LEPC Association)
12. Manage the LEPC grant process. (SERC, DEC, DHS&EM, Finance Committee)

Acronyms:

AHPRC	All Hazards Plan Review Committee
DEC	Department of Environmental Conservation
DHS&EM	Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management
DMVA	Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
EOP	Emergency Operations Plan
ICS	Incident Command System
LEPC	Local Emergency Planning Committee
LEPD	Local Emergency Planning District
NIMS	National Incident Management System
SERC	State Emergency Response Commission