

EVACUATION RE-ENTRY PLANNING CHECKLIST

STAGE 1 – RAPID DAMAGE ASSESSMENT (RDA)

- Conducted an RDA with trained crews and qualified professionals to ensure conditions were safe for re-entry
- Considered using multi-agency and stakeholder RDA teams to leverage expertise, expedite the process, and to minimize trauma on impacted residents
- Requested RDA training and/or assistance from EMCR as required
- Considered assessment needs for:
 - Residential structures
 - Water distribution systems
 - Wastewater systems
 - Garbage collection & debris removal
 - Sewage treatment
 - Infestation by vermin and insects
 - Hazardous material sites
 - Air quality, both inside and outside
 - Gas and power utilities
 - Roads and access routes
 - Telecommunications
 - Food services providers
 - Medical facilities

STAGE 2 – RESTORATION OF ESSENTIAL SERVICES

- Confirmed communication systems were operating at minimum acceptable level
- Confirmed medical facilities were operating at minimal acceptable level
- Confirmed emergency response services (police, fire, ambulance) operating at a minimal acceptable level
- Confirmed water delivery systems were able to provide adequate water for public consumption; boil water advisory status is acceptable
- Confirmed garbage collection and/or treatment system were functional at minimal acceptable level
- Confirmed power was restored to provide essential levels of service
- Confirmed road systems were safe and usable
- Confirmed sewer and/or septic systems were safe and usable

STAGE 3 – COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY

- Confirmed the nature of the threat no longer existed and that a partial or complete evacuation rescind for re-entry was appropriate
 - Considered recommendations from response and support agencies
 - Considered restoration of critical infrastructure such as power, water, transportation routes and other utilities that are important to support
 - Rapid Damage Assessment results identified properties safe to re-enter
 - Confirmed community recovery activities safe to be conducted

- Confirmed with Community Leadership and EOC Director:
 - Re-entry can and/or should occur
 - If it can occur all at once or if it needed to take place in stages
 - A “yes” or “no” decision for re-entry was obtained from Community Leadership
 - If yes, then Community Leadership signed rescind document(s) as appropriate
 - Content and intent of re-entry plan

- Provided EMCR regional office with a copy of rescind order document(s)

- Developed a Communications Plan for evacuated residents that included:
 - Status of water systems and safe water consumption
 - Clean up procedures & available resources
 - Psychosocial assistance and wellness resources
 - Available support resources and how to engage including:
 - Government programs
 - Non-government organizations
 - Community programs
 - Where to get information about the event and recovery activities