

~~(ii) Review its Emergency Preparedness Plan annually and submit any changes in the Plan to the Director so that the Director may maintain current and accurate information concerning the Plan.~~

~~(2) Each county and Baltimore City shall submit the Emergency Preparedness Plan required under this section to the Director by October 1, 1998.~~

~~(E) THE DIRECTOR SHALL:~~

~~(1) FORMULATE, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF A TASK FORCE OR COMMITTEE PROVIDING APPROPRIATE EXPERTISE, AND ADMINISTER A STATEWIDE SWIFT WATER FLOOD RESCUE PLAN THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING FOR EACH COUNTY AND BALTIMORE CITY:~~

~~(I) A PROCESS THAT IDENTIFIES POTENTIAL FLOODING EVENTS, PROBABLE LOCATIONS, AND DEGREES OF PROBABILITY;~~

~~(II) THE IDENTIFICATION OF EXPERT RESPONSE TEAMS AND THE STATE OF READINESS OF THEIR AVAILABLE EQUIPMENT, AND~~

~~(III) A PROCESS TO ACTIVATE RESPONSE TEAMS OR TO TRANSPORT THE TEAMS AND THEIR EQUIPMENT TO A LOCATION IN ANTICIPATION OF A FLOOD EVENT, AND~~

~~(2) COORDINATE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS REGARDING SWIFT WATER FLOOD SAFETY, AS APPROPRIATE, FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC.~~

8.

The Director, with the approval of the Adjutant General, and in collaboration with other public and private agencies within the State, will develop, or cause to be developed, mutual aid arrangements for reciprocal emergency aid and assistance in case of disaster of extreme nature which affects two or more political subdivisions.

9.

~~(a) Each political subdivision may make appropriations in the manner provided by law for the payment of expenses of its local organizations for emergency management.~~

~~(b) If the federal government, another state, or any agency or officer of the federal government or another state offers to the State or any political subdivision thereof, services, equipment, supplies, materials, or funds by way of gift, grant or loan for purposes of emergency management the State, acting through the Governor, or such political subdivision, acting with the consent of the Governor, and through its executive officer or governing body, may accept such offer and may authorize any officer of the State or of the political subdivision as the case may be, to receive such aid and assistance.~~

~~(c) If any person, firm or corporation offers to the State or to any political subdivision thereof any aid or assistance, the State and the political subdivision, acting as in (b), above, may accept same.~~