Unified Command Group Situational Briefing



Hurricane Ida August 26-31, 2021

Lafourche Parish Situation

- 1. Lafourche Parish Declaration on August 27, 2021
- 2. Shelter operations continue at Central Lafourche and Thibodaux High Schools
- 3. Curfew remains in place until further notice
- 4. Lafourche Parish is reestablishing command and control of operations after moving the EOC
- 5. Conducting recovery operations

Situational Summary- Tuesday August 31, 2021

- 1. The COT is supervising recovery as an Individual Applicant under FEMA/GOHSEP guidelines. Due to degraded communications in Lafourche Parish, the COT is facilitating recovery independent of other entities.
- 2. Communication remains degraded with 700 mhz radios serving as the primary means of communication. Commercial phone, cellular, internet and messaging remains intermittent.
- 3. The COT Incident Commander- Mayor Eschete is using an incident action plan (IAP) format to facilitate recovery due to the storm impact to UCG members and their families. The COT will transition back to a UCG format once UCG members stabilize their families and infrastructure is reestablished. The core teams establishing the daily IAP are the TVFD, TPD, PW, PR and the OEP.
- 4. The COT will continue to enforce a strict dusk to dawn format.
- 5. The roads were 90% cleared on August 30, 2021. City Workers are performing public works tasks, primarily focusing on general support and sewer/water production. The TVFD is resetting the department to prepare for the utility initiative to reestablish electricity to the COT. They will provide support as Entergy Louisiana establishes a phased turn on of power. TPD Officers continue to provide post landfall public safety tasks as part of recovery operations with daylight support and enforcement of a dusk to dawn curfew during darkness.
- 6. The COT Emergency Preparedness Director made contact with 116 Utility Workers from five states that started operations in the entire region.
- 7. The COT will begin debris removal operations across the city in the next 24 hours.
- 8. The LANG setup a Food POD and started conducting operations at 12pm

COT Incident Action Plan-August 31, 2021 Next 24 Hours

- 1. The COT will continue to monitor the event and make a decisions through the COT's Incident Action Plan Working Group.
- 2. The priority of work for the next 24 hours is to re-establish power to the COT in a phased approach, the sustainment of sewer/water production, improvements in public safety and protection of property through a dusk to dawn curfew until power is re-established and the preparation for H+72 hours state level support.
- 3. In accordance with the COT emergency operations plan debris removal will begin in at H+72 hours, September 1, 2021. The TPD Chief made contact with the Ceres representative. The EP Director signed the contract and will coordinate the process until the Witt O'Brien representative gets on site.
- 4. The COT will utilize the National Incident Management System (NIMS) to maximize resources available. H+72 to H+96 should result in substantial reinforcements to the COT as an individual applicant. The COT is prepared to serve as a regional hub for staging and operational capabilities of follow on support organizations.

Outside Resources Staging in Thibodaux

- 5 Entergy Contractors- Harang Auditorium/Andolsek Park
- 3 Entergy Catering Contractors- Harang Auditorium
- 4 Debris Removal Companies- Rienzi Plaza Parking Lot
- La. Hospital Association Mobile Hospital- Big Lots Parking Lot
- LANG POD- Food Point @ Thibodaux Family Church