Water/Sewer Unit Leader

**Mission:** Evaluate and monitor the patency of existing water, sewage, and sanitation systems. Enact pre-established alternate methods of waste disposal if necessary.

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| Date: Start: End: Position Assigned to: Initial:  **Position Reports to:** **Infrastructure Branch Director** Signature:  Hospital Command Center (HCC) Location: Telephone:  Fax: Other Contact Info: Radio Title: |

| **Immediate (Operational Period 0-2 Hours)** | **Time** | **Initial** |
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| Receive appointment, briefing, and any appropriate materials from the Infrastructure Branch Director. |  |  |
| Read this entire Job Action Sheet and review incident management team chart (HICS Form 207). Put on position identification. |  |  |
| Notify your usual supervisor of your HICS assignment. |  |  |
| Document all key activities, actions, and decisions in an Operational Log (HICS Form 214) on a continual basis. |  |  |
| Appoint Water/Sewer Unit members and complete the Branch Assignment List (HICS Form 204). |  |  |
| Brief Unit members on current situation, incident objectives and strategy; outline Unit action plan; and designate time for next briefing. |  |  |
| Ensure Unit members comply with safety policies and procedures. |  |  |
| Coordinate the inspection of the hospital's water and sewer systems with Buildings/Grounds Damage Unit Leader and Facilities Unit Leader. |  |  |
| Establish and communicate the operational status of the water/sewer systems to the Infrastructure Branch Director. |  |  |
| Place emergency repair order(s) for the water and sewer systems as indicated; advise Infrastructure Branch Director of any issues encountered and all actions. |  |  |
| Repair/correct hazards, leaks or contamination with the assistance of the Safety Officer and the Buildings/Grounds Damage Unit Leader and Facilities Unit Leader. |  |  |
| Coordinate with Infrastructure Branch Director to request external resource assistance. |  |  |
| Coordinate with Liaison Officer for contacting external authorities (e.g. public health, water or environmental services), as appropriate. |  |  |
| Document all communications (internal and external) on an Incident Message Form (HICS Form 213). Provide a copy of the Incident Message Form to the Documentation Unit. |  |  |

| **Intermediate (Operational Period 2-12 Hours)** | **Time** | **Initial** |
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| Meet regularly with the Infrastructure Branch Director for status reports, and relay important information to Unit members. |  |  |
| Implement pre-established alternative waste disposal/collection plan, if necessary. |  |  |
| Inform all Sections and areas of the hospital when implementing the alternative waste disposal/collection plan. |  |  |
| Position portable toilets in accessible areas; away from patient care and food preparation, as needed. |  |  |
| Ensure an adequate number of hand washing areas are operational near patient care/food preparation areas, and adjacent to portable toilet facilities. |  |  |
| Inform hospital infection control personnel of actions and enlist assistance where necessary. |  |  |

| **Extended (Operational Period Beyond 12 Hours)** | **Time** | **Initial** |
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| Continue to monitor levels of all supplies, equipment and needs relevant to all water and sanitation operations. |  |  |
| Continue to document actions and decisions on an Operational Log (HICS Form 214) and submit to Infrastructure Branch Director at assigned intervals and as needed. |  |  |
| Brief Infrastructure Branch Director regularly on current condition of all water/sewer operations; communicate needs in advance. |  |  |
| Obtain support staff as necessary from Labor Pool & Credentialing Unit. |  |  |
| Observe all staff, volunteers and patients for signs of stress and inappropriate behavior. Report concerns to Employee Health & Well-Being Unit Leader. Provide for staff rest periods and relief. |  |  |
| Upon shift change, brief your replacement on the status of all ongoing operations, issues, and other relevant incident information. |  |  |

| **Demobilization/System Recovery** | **Time** | **Initial** |
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| As needs for Water/Sewer Unit staff decrease, return staff to their normal jobs and combine or deactivate positions in a phased manner. |  |  |
| Notify Infrastructure Branch Director when clean-up/restoration is complete. |  |  |
| Coordinate resupply ordering and restocking of used equipment. |  |  |
| Repair/replace broken equipment. |  |  |
| Ensure return/retrieval of equipment and supplies and return all assigned incident command equipment. |  |  |
| Coordinate reimbursement issues with Finance/Administration Section Chief. |  |  |
| Debrief staff on lessons learned and procedural/equipment changes needed. |  |  |
| Upon deactivation of your position, ensure all documentation and Operational Logs (HICS Form 214) are submitted to the Infrastructure Branch Director or Operations Section Chief, as appropriate. |  |  |
| Upon deactivation, brief the Infrastructure Branch Director or Operations Section Chief, as appropriate on current problems, outstanding issues, and follow-up requirements. |  |  |
| Submit comments to the Infrastructure Branch Director for discussion and possible inclusion in the after-action report; topics include:   * Review of pertinent position descriptions and operational checklists * Recommendations for procedure changes and mitigation efforts * Section accomplishments and issues |  |  |
| Participate in stress management and after-action debriefings. Participate in other briefings and meetings as required. |  |  |

| **Documents/Tools** |
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| * Incident Action Plan * HICS Form 204 – Branch Assignment List * HICS Form 207 – Incident Management Team Chart * HICS Form 213 – Incident Message Form * HICS Form 214 – Operational Log * Hospital emergency operations plan * Hospital organization chart * Hospital telephone directory * Radio/satellite phone * PC with internet access, as available * Inventory list and vendor supply list |