



Readiness Briefing

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Oklahoma Emergency Manager's Meeting

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What is SAME?

- Society of American Military Engineers
 - Mission
 - *To promote and facilitate engineering support for national security by developing and enhancing relationships and competencies among uniformed services, public and private sector engineers, and related professionals*
 - Founded in 1920
 - Bringing together all phases of US Engineering
 - Architectural/Engineering/Construction
 - Preserve Connections and Promote Engineering
 - Support in Global War on Terror
 - Responders to Natural Disasters and Emergencies



Operation Fast Start

- National Defense Support
 - Policy of United States to have an Emergency Mobilization Preparedness Capability that will ensure that government at all levels, in partnership with the private sector can respond to any major national emergency with the defense of the United States first priority
 - Fast Start Plan outlines how civilian architectural and engineering firms , construction contractors, materials suppliers, and military/government construction agencies in central Oklahoma can effectively respond to any major emergency
 - Purpose is to assist federal, state, and local governments in recovery from natural and man-made disasters



Fast Start Plan

- Fast Start Plan
 - Designed to increase awareness
 - Mechanisms of contracting for emergency services
 - Improve response time
 - Assist in responding effectively to emergencies

- Four Main Goals
 - Enhance Awareness of Local Planners
 - Improved Response Time by SAME Member Firms
 - Improved Flexible Response
 - Maximize Use of Existing Capabilities



Fast Start Plan

- Mobilization Readiness
 - SAME –organization to facilitate support
 - Fast Start Plan identifies agencies and capabilities
 - Each firm maintains an inventory of their assets/capabilities
 - Document is available to the public
- Contracting Procedures
 - Goal is to have established contracting mechanisms
 - Severity of emergency and response time dependent
 - Cost Plus Fixed Fee contracts
 - Allows for construction to begin before plans finalized
 - Guarantees contractor re-imbursed for unpredictable costs



Participating Firms & Agencies

Company	Company
AMEC Earth & Environmental	LWPB Architects & Planners
ASSET Group, Inc.	Matherly Mechanical Contractors, Inc.
Benham Companies	Parsons
Burns & McDonnell	SAIC
C.H. Guernsey & Co.	Southwind Construction Company
CH2 M Hill	Shaw Environmental
Jim Cooley Construction, Inc.	Standard Testing & Engineering
CRC & Associates	Tetra-Tech, Inc.
DEL-JEN, Inc.	The Ross Group
Fanny Phillips and Molnar (FPM)	URS Corporation
Frankfurt-Short-Bruza	Weston Solutions



Sustaining Member Firm Capabilities

- Firm Capabilities and Resources
 - Construction Management, Services, and Equipment
 - Architects and Engineers
 - Telecommunications
 - Transportation
 - Surveyors
 - CADD Operators
- OKC SAME FAST Start Plan
 - Capabilities Matrix (Appendix A)
 - Identifies resource/capability and cross references member firm
 - Identifies Firm POC and contact information



Success Stories

- Agencies assisted with the California Wildfires in October 2007
 - Evacuee support with FEMA
 - Debris removal and clean-up
- Agencies provided support during major ice storm in Oklahoma
 - Emergency clearance and removal of debris
 - Assisted public electric utilities
 - Helped individual property owners
- Agencies provided support for Picher Tornado
- Agencies assisting with hurricane relief efforts



Gap Analysis/Feedback

- Identification of Any Gaps with Program
 - General Feedback from Audience
 - If any future suggestions please contact Ms. Garrett, 734-2097, or by e-mail at cynthia.garrett@tinker.af.mil
- For more information on SAME Readiness and Fast Start Plan
- Go to SAME website, www.same.org and www.sameokc.org



Oklahoma City SAME Post

- Oklahoma City Post Mission
 - Facilitate networking and professional development
 - Collaboration of architectural/engineering/construction professionals in support of national defense
- Benefits of SAME
 - Stay on top of developments
 - Learn important information from the field about everything from contracting and design to environment and emerging technologies
 - Continue your professional education at our many special events, among them the annual DOD and Related Federal Program Briefings and the Joint Engineer Education and Training Conference & Expo.
 - Monthly Meetings at Rose State College with excellent topics ranging from “Core to Shore” to “The War in Iraq”
 - For more information on joining, please contact Martha Smith at (405) 869-9195 or at martha.smith@amec.com