



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY



TO: Municipal Chief Executive Officers, Service Chiefs, and Emergency Management Directors

FROM: William P. Shea, Deputy Commissioner

DATE: July 29, 2016

RE: 2016 Governor's Emergency Planning and Preparedness Initiative (EPPI) Statewide Exercise Introduction – General Information

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the 2016 Governor's Emergency Planning and Preparedness Initiative (EPPI) Statewide Exercise. This year's exercise is scheduled for **Saturday, October 29 or Wednesday, November 2, 2016** depending on which day works best for your community. Each municipality/tribal nation is strongly encouraged to open its Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and convene its Unified Command as part of the exercise. Identification of your participants and submission of After Action comments will allow your municipality/tribal nation to receive Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) credit for participation.

The scenario for this year's EPPI will focus on a severe weather event and the specific details are still being finalized. The Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS) will be sending you correspondence containing information and tools to help you prepare for the upcoming Statewide Exercise as well as for the next inevitable emergency. These messages and their attachments will also be posted on the DESPP/DEMHS website at <http://www.ct.gov/demhs>.

If you have any questions or require any additional information regarding the Statewide EPPI, please contact us at DEMHS via e-mail at demhs.eppi.questions@ct.gov.

Sincerely,

William P. Shea
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