

## 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:

June 23, 2015

RE:

2015 Governor's Emergency Planning and Preparedness Initiative (EPPI)

Statewide Exercise Introduction – General Information

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the 2015 Governor's Emergency Planning and Preparedness Initiative (EPPI) Statewide Exercise. This year's exercise will focus on statewide response to a severe weather event and will include a school security component. 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.

This year's exercise is scheduled for **Saturday**, **October 17 or Wednesday October 21, 2015** 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.

If you have any questions or require any additional information regarding the Statewide EPPI, please contact us at DEMHS via e-mail at <a href="mailto:demhs.eppi.questions@ct.gov">demhs.eppi.questions@ct.gov</a>.

Sincerely.

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