

Red Oak Ranch Emergency Plan

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

In the event of a community-wide emergency (hurricane, tornado, fire, flood, etc.) the CERT shall assemble, once it is safe to do so and having secured their own situation, and establish the Incident Command Post (ICP). Team members should bring their CERT backpacks, together with any appropriate resources at their disposal (food, drinking water, vehicles, emergency equipment, fire extinguishers, first aid supplies, tools etc.).

THE FIRST PRIORITY FOR ALL TEAM MEMBERS IS THEIR OWN SAFETY. CERT TEAMS CONDUCTING TRIAGE, FIRE SAFETY AND/OR SEARCH & RESCUE ACTIVITIES MUST CONTAIN A MINIMUM OF 2 PERSONS. INCIDENT COMMANDERS, MEDICAL, SEARCH & RESCUE, AND FIRE SAFETY TEAM LEADERS MUST BE CERTIFIED CERT PERSONNEL.

Incident Command Post (ICP), shall be at one of the following homes, in order (by availability):

1. Lis & Alex Crabtree - **10961 Lake Forest Drive** (east of OCR, about 0.6 mile, on right - white gate)
2. Gary & Jane Jenkins – **10881 Lake Forest Drive** (east of OCR, about 1.35 mile on right)
3. Maryann Fox & Doug Fuchs – **10968 Lake Forest Drive** (east of OCR, about 0.5 mile on left)

Once established, the location of the ICP shall be posted at the ROR entrance (4-way stop).

The first CERT member on the scene shall act as the **Incident Commander (IC)** until relieved by either:

- o a nominated ROR Incident Commander upon his/her arrival
- o another trained CERT member

Incident Commander (IC):

- Shall be responsible for directing the teams, allocating roles and tasks as required until such time as nominated Team Leaders are available, and for coordinating all activities thereafter
- Shall maintain a written record of events, including Medical, Fire and Search & Rescue summaries
- Shall be responsible for ensuring that all team members take adequate rest periods and are provided with adequate nutrition and hydration
- Shall coordinate with the E1488 CERT, Montgomery County OEM, Montgomery County ARES and professional first responders as necessary
- Shall refer to the ROR Emergency Resources Inventory (ERI) to identify the locations of necessary resources - both physical and human. The Community Support Team shall assist in securing such resources, as directed by the IC
- All team members shall keep the IC informed via cellphones, runners, walkie-talkies or by other means of communication

Medical Team Leader: shall supervise triage and establish treatment and morgue areas close to the ICP; provide emergency medical care to casualties; and prioritize onward transport of casualties. Members of the Medical Team shall provide emergency medical care. **Minimum of 2 persons per Medical Team. CASUALTIES MUST BE ASSESSED AND TAGGED BEFORE BEING MOVED FROM A TRIAGE AREA.**

Search & Rescue Team Leader: shall establish a search plan. All members of the S & R team shall conduct search & rescue according to the established plan, triaging, stabilizing & transporting any casualties to the Medical area whenever possible. **Minimum of 2 persons per Search Team.**

Fire Safety Team Leader: shall lead the Fire Safety Team in evaluating, suppressing and/or containing fires, triaging, stabilizing & transporting any casualties to the Medical area whenever possible. **Minimum of 2 persons per Fire Safety Team.**

Support Teams:

- **Community Support Team:** shall assist residents with practical issues such as blocked access, fallen trees, breached homes, starting generators etc
- **Animal Support Team** shall assist residents with loose, lost or injured animals
- Support Team members may NOT be deployed in CERT teams but can act as runners