

Region V Regional Response Team

WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 1995

(revised 12/14/94)

I. Response Management

A. Maintain and update the Regional Contingency Plan.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: EPA Region V (lead) with RRT member agencies and Management Staff membership.

B. Review proposed Federal regulations which may impact RRT activities.

Responsibility: Appropriate Federal and State Agency.

C. Complete computerized inventory of response resources. Coordinate activities with national and international efforts.

Responsibility: Emergency Preparedness Task Force workgroup.

D. Prepare and distribute OSC reports to RRT members.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: RRT representative for the lead agency.

E. Examine spill countermeasures strategies.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: NOAA Scientific Support Coordinator and Countermeasures Workgroup.

F. Develop cold weather response strategies booklet.

Responsibility: NOAA, Minnesota, FEMA

II. Preparedness

A. Update State disposal requirements. Identify "exemptions" available to PRPs and OSCs for disposal of materials.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA Region V and State of Michigan.

B. Review a maximum of two Local Emergency Contingency Plans per State, if submitted by State Emergency Response Commissions.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA Region V (lead) and Management Workgroup members.

- C. Distribute Research and Development response-related information provided by the NRT R&D Committee, and advise the R&D Committee regarding technical information needed for response.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: U.S. EPA Region V.

III. Training and Exercises

A. Training

1. Review State requests for SARA Title III, Section 305(a) training money, and submit recommendations to the National Response Team.

Responsibility: FEMA Region V with support from the Management Staff.

2. Maintain and expand a lending library of hazardous materials literature, video tapes, and training courses.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: FEMA Region V.

3. Provide Title III and First Responder Training to Indian tribal governments.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA Region V and FEMA Region V.

4. Conduct a regional refresher training course for Hazardous Materials Technician and Hazardous Materials Specialist "first responders."

Responsibility: FEMA Region V.

5. Conduct a regional workshop on hazardous materials for State training officials.

Responsibility: FEMA Region V.

6. Evaluate Hazardous material training courses funded by Section 305(a) to ensure that they meet appropriate standards.

Responsibility: FEMA Region V.

7. Assist in preparation for the Inland Spills Conference.

Responsibility: U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. EPA, and appropriate RRT members.

B. Exercises

1. Provide technical support in planning, execution, and critique of exercises.

Responsibility: FEMA Region V and individual RRT member agencies as available.

IV. External Relations

- A. Coordinate the timing and location of RRT meetings with outside organizations such as ORSANCO; Upper Mississippi River Basin Association; and State activities.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: Management Staff and State RRT members.

- B. Participate in one Joint Response Team (JRT) meeting.

Responsibility: Region V RRT membership.

V. RRT Management and Oversight

- A. Prepare for and hold at least two RRT meetings. Continue rotating locations of meetings in different Region V States.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA Region V and Coast Guard, Ninth District (on a rotating basis).

- B. Prepare RRT semi-annual reports.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA with input from RRT member agencies.

- D. Prepare FY 95 work plan.

Responsibility: DOI (lead) and Management Staff.

- E. Maintain and distribute update RRT membership roster as needed.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA Region V.

RRT Management Staff Members: 1) U.S. EPA Region V, 2) U.S. Coast Guard, Ninth District, 3) FEMA Region V, 4) OSHA, 5) NOAA and 6) DOI