

The North Carolina Emergency Management (NCEM) hazardous materials team is available to assist local responders, county emergency managers and Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs) with anything from regulatory and reporting guidance to full scale emergency response exercises. The team includes the Hazardous Materials Manager, The Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA) coordinator and the Risk Management Program (RMP) coordinator.

Emergency Managers and LEPCs

- Provide hazardous material presentations
- Support locals with EPCRA/Tier II Public Information Requests from citizens
- Conduct facility site visits and walkthroughs
- Assist locals and facilities with chemical regulatory reporting
- Assist with coordination with other state agencies such as Division of Environmental Quality, Wildlife Resources, and Department of Health and Human Services and federal agencies such as Environmental Protection Agency
- Hazardous material spill cleanup – coordination with DEQ Water Quality and Waste Management for cleanup authorization
- Public Meetings – Assist with preparation and attendance for public meetings post chemical release incident
- Provide information on regulatory changes for CAA, EPCRA and RMP
- Attend and observe emergency response exercises
- Obtain training courses and outreach through the NCEM Training department



Tote hazcon and cleanup Caldwell County, 2019.

Support from Regional Response Teams

- Hazardous material technical questions

- Hazardous material release incident response (request by calling the State EOC at 1-800-858-0368 or at 919-733-3300)
- Site visit walkthroughs
- Exercises – RRT can assist with onsite full-scale exercise up to 3 days that cover multiple regulatory requirements



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RRT Alamance County Exercise with a leaking tanker and pool fire inside tank farm contaminated area, August 2021.

Hazmat Worst Case Tool

Through HMEP funding, NCEM offers PEAC-WEB application software for emergency managers and local responders. The software has EPCRA Tier II facilities and hazmat transportation in NC. The tool has real time information and is beneficial for emergency response planning and exercises. Contact hazmat@ncdps.gov for account setup and user guides.

<https://peacweb.aristatek.com/>

Grants

Through coordination with the local LEPC and emergency management, NCDPS [Emergency Management Grants](https://www.ncdps.gov/our-organization/emergency-management/grants) <https://www.ncdps.gov/our-organization/emergency-management/grants> such as the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) or NC Tier II may be used for emergency planning and exercises with local hazmat facilities.

Contact Us

hazmat@ncdps.gov reaches all members of the NCEM hazardous materials team simultaneously
EPCRA@ncdps.gov reaches the EPCRA coordinator for EPCRA, Tier II and LEPC support

For additional information on chemical reporting and resources see the NCEM Hazardous Materials Website <https://www.ncdps.gov/our-organization/emergency-management/hazardous-materials>