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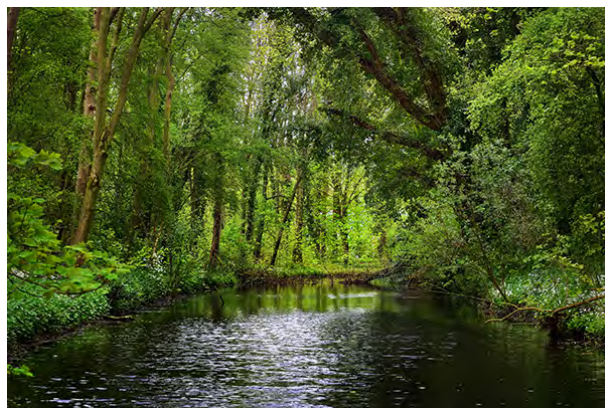
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Iowa receives \$96.9 million HUD grant

Recently, the State of Iowa was notified that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has awarded Iowa \$96.9 million for disaster resilience projects.

Through the National Disaster Resilience Competition, HUD has awarded the State \$96.9 million to conduct a program to help Iowa communities recover from prior disasters and improve their ability to recover more quickly from future disasters. The award comes after a two-phase competition, during which several state and local agencies collaborated to create a program called the Iowa Watershed Approach (IWA). The IWA will accomplish six goals, including reducing flood risk, improving water quality, increasing resilience, engaging stakeholders, improving quality of life and health, and developing a program that can be repli-



cated throughout the Midwest and the nation. The HUD National Disaster Resilience competition awarded nearly \$1 billion to communities across the United States.

The agencies involved in the development of the HUD grant application are the Office of Gov. Terry Branstad, Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA), Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEMD),

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Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (IDALS), Iowa Flood Center at the University of Iowa, Iowa Water Center at Iowa State University, and the City of Dubuque.

IEDA will be administering the grant award, which will include ensuring timely and successful completion of the program, monitoring Community Development Block Grant compliance, and making all final financial decisions.

HSEMD will provide technical support to implement the IWA and coordinate disaster preparedness and hazard mitigation activities. HSEMD Director Mark Schouten said the Iowa Watershed Approach will be consistent with other state-wide programs in Iowa to reduce flooding and improve water quality.

These programs include the Iowa Flood Mitigation Program, which has awarded funding to 10 communities to increase flood protection and prevention, and the Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy, that will lead to a measurable reduction of nutrients in our waterways.

Other agencies involved in implementation of the IWA will include the Iowa Flood Center, which, along with the City of Dubuque, will use their technical expertise

and stakeholder connections to lead technical and programmatic implementation. Ω



Jessica Turba, Pat Hall, and Mark Schouten (HSEMD) pose with HUD Regional Administrator Jennifer Tidwell following the announcement of the grant award.

HSEMD welcomes back Recovery Division employees



Randy Warren



Cate Brehmer

Two former Recovery Division employees have now returned to HSEMD permanently.

Randy Warren has joined the department as an accounting clerk, effective Jan. 4. He is part of the financial team, and since Sue Moeller's retirement is also managing the front desk at HSEMD headquarters.

Cate Brehmer has also rejoined the department as part of the financial team, accepting the purchasing agent position that was vacated by Terry Brown last July. Cate's first day was Jan. 29.

Welcome back, Randy and Cate! Ω

Training opportunities

Emergency Management Program Development, Session 1

When: Feb. 11, 2016
9 a.m.–4 p.m.
Where: Polk County EOC
1907 Carpenter Ave.
Des Moines

Target audience: New and experienced emergency managers.

This course is delivered in four sessions, and provides a comprehensive overview of the statutory requirements and professional duties of today's emergency manager. Sessions can be taken in any sequence, however, all four sessions are required for a full course certificate.

To register, visit [HSEMD's training website](#). Contact **Beth Lewis** at **515.725.3204** or beth.lewis@iowa.gov or **Cristie Duric** at **515.725.3243** or cristie.duric@iowa.gov with questions.

Isolation & Quarantine for Rural Communities (MGT-433)

When: Feb. 25, 2016
8 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Where: REC Meeting Room
1502 W. South St.
Mt. Ayr

Prerequisites: U.S. citizenship. Students should also review Module 5 content and video prior to class. [Click here to access the video.](#)

This course is designed to provide small, rural, and remote communities with the knowledge, skills, and abilities to effectively plan for and respond to events that require isolation and/or quarantine of populations in a variety of low- and high-impact situations.

Please click here to register by Feb. 11, 2016. If you have any questions or need directions to the facility, contact **Becky Fletchall** at bfletchall@rcph.net or **641.464.0691**.

Rural Isolation & Quarantine Planning for Public Health & Healthcare Professionals (PER-308)

When: Feb. 25, 2016
1:30–5 p.m.
Where: REC Meeting Room
1502 W. South St.
Mt. Ayr

Prerequisites: MGT-433

This course is designed to expand on concepts introduced in MGT-433, and consists of two customized training modules tailored toward participants in the public health and medical fields. In this session, participants will become familiar with guidance that assists communities in planning for isolation and quarantine, such as the National Response Plan and its implications in the healthcare community.

Please click here to register by Feb. 11, 2016. If you have any questions regarding the local jurisdiction or need directions to the facility, contact **Becky Fletchall** at bfletchall@rcph.net or **641.464.0691**.

All-Hazards Communications Unit Leader (COML)

When: March 1-3, 2016
8 a.m.–5 p.m.
Where: Linn County EOC
6301 Kirkwood Blvd.
Cedar Rapids

Target audience: Those assigned to functional, support, or unit leader positions, or those seeking qualifications for these positions.

This course is designed to familiarize professionals with the roles and responsibilities of a communication unit leader under NIMS/Incident Command System. Training includes a facilitated lecture as well as hands-on exercises.

Prerequisites: IS-100, 200, 700, 800, and ICS 300.

To register, visit [HSEMD's training website](#). Contact **Beth Lewis** at **515.725.3204** or beth.lewis@iowa.gov or **Cristie Duric** at **515.725.3243** or cristie.duric@iowa.gov with questions.

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Critical Infrastructure Security & Resilience Awareness (AWR-213)

When: March 8, 2016
8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Where: Johnson County EOC
4529 Melrose Ave.
Iowa City

Target audience: Public/private critical infrastructure owners, operators, and managers, government officials and managers, sector-specific agency managers.

This course will introduce participants to key terms, policy, guidance, and preparedness efforts required to safeguard the nation's critical infrastructure.

To register, visit [HSEMD's training website](#). Contact **Beth Lewis** at 515.725.3204 or beth.lewis@iowa.gov or **Cristie Duric** at 515.725.3243 or cristie.duric@iowa.gov with questions.

Advanced Critical Infrastructure Protection (MGT-414)

When: March 9, 2016
8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Where: Johnson County EOC
4529 Melrose Ave.
Iowa City

Target audience: Public/private critical infrastructure owners, operators, and managers, government officials and managers, sector-specific agency managers.



This course will enhance skills to manage the risk associated with critical infrastructure protection efforts.

To register, visit [HSEMD's training website](#). Contact **Beth Lewis** at 515.725.3204 or beth.lewis@iowa.gov or **Cristie Duric** at 515.725.3243 or cristie.duric@iowa.gov with questions.

Jurisdictional THIRA (MGT-310)

When: March 30-31, 2016
8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Where: Franklin County EOC
105 Fifth St. SW
Hampton

Target audience: Law enforcement, fire, hazmat, EMS, Public works, health care, public health, government agencies, public safety communications, elected officials, private sector officials.

This course will prepare participants to conduct a jurisdictional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA).

To register, visit [HSEMD's training website](#). Contact **Beth Lewis** at 515.725.3204 or beth.lewis@iowa.gov or **Cristie Duric** at 515.725.3243 or cristie.duric@iowa.gov with questions.

WMD Radiological/Nuclear Responder Operations (PER-240)

When: March 30-April 1, 2016
8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Where: Johnson County EOC
4529 Melrose Ave.
Iowa City

Prerequisites: AWR-140 within the last three years

This course combines individual performance skills required for the response to a radiological WMD incident, with the fundamentals of radiation, radiological health effects, and terrorist use of radiation and radiological material. Basic operation and techniques and tactical employment in realistic scenarios will be explored.

To register, visit the [click here](#), or contact **Dave Wilson** at 319.356.6761.

Critical Asset Risk Management (MGT-315)

When: April 12-13, 2016
8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Where: Franklin County EOC
105 Fifth St. SW
Hampton

Target audience: Law enforcement, fire, hazmat, EMS, Public works, health care, public health, government agencies, public safety communications, elected officials, private sector officials.

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Advanced ICS (ICS-400)

When: April 12-13, 2016
8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Where: The Security Institute
4647 Stone Ave.
Sioux City

Target audience: Command or general staff, select department heads with multi-agency coordination system responsibilities, emergency managers, and multi-agency coordination system/emergency operations center managers.

Prerequisites: ICS 100, 200, 300, 700, 800

To register, visit [HSEMD's training website](#). Contact **Beth Lewis** at 515.725.3204 or beth.lewis@iowa.gov or **Cristie Duric** at 515.725.3243 or cristie.duric@iowa.gov with questions.

EOC Management & Operations (G-775)

When: April 19-20, 2016
8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Where: Franklin County EOC
105 Fifth St. SW
Hampton

Target audience: Emergency managers, first responders, public/private industry, volunteer organizations active in disasters.

Prerequisites: IS-701a is recommended

This course describes the role, design, and functions of emergency operations centers (EOCs) and their relationships as components of a multi-agency coordination system. This course is part of the Advanced Professional Series.

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Debris Management Planning (G-202)

When: April 26-28, 2016
8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Where: Black Hawk County EOC
1925 Newell St.
Waterloo

Target audience: Emergency managers, public works, finance and environmental officials.

This course is designed to help participants successfully plan for, respond to, and manage debris operations resulting from a debris-generating event.

To register, visit [HSEMD's training website](#). Contact **Beth Lewis** at 515.725.3204 or beth.lewis@iowa.gov or **Cristie Duric** at 515.725.3243 or cristie.duric@iowa.gov with questions.

Search & Rescue in Community Disasters (PER-334)

When: April 27-28, 2016
8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Where: Johnson County EOC
4529 Melrose Ave.
Iowa City

Target audience: Fire, CERT teams, youth organizations, public/private sectors, emergency management.

Hands-on training will be used to demonstrate best practices for safe and effective search and rescue.

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HSEMD's Sue Moeller retires

HSEMD receptionist Sue Moeller retired from State employment on Dec. 31, 2015. Sue worked for HSEMD for almost 10 years.

In retirement, Sue plans to spend more time with her four sons and five grandchildren.

The weather did not cooperate for Sue's retirement reception on Dec. 28, but her family was able to join her for her sendoff.

Thanks Sue, for your service! Ω



Sue Moeller (third from left) and her family at her retirement reception

ON THE CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

National Burn Awareness Week (1-7)

MARCH

American Red Cross Month
National Poison Prevention Week (20-26)
Severe Weather Awareness Week (21-25)

APRIL

National 9-1-1 Education Month
National Volunteer Week (10-16)

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Lead, coordinate, and support homeland security and emergency management functions in order to establish sustainable communities and ensure economic opportunities for Iowa and its citizens.

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