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## Regional Resilience Update 14 July 09 – 24 August

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### 1. Central Government Update Circulated Material

Date	Guidance issued	Link (if available)	Action required
20/7/09	Swine Flu Planning Assumptions (Bruce Mann's letter to local responders of 16 July refers)	<a href="http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/ukresilience/pandemicflu/risk/current_risk_assessment.aspx">www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/ukresilience/pandemicflu/risk/current_risk_assessment.aspx</a> .	
20/07/09	Security Vetting & Protective markings		For information
3/8/09	Managing Workloads during the Swine Flu Outbreak		To incorporate into work plans
3/8/09	Publication of 'Lessons from the Severe Weather February 2009' report	<a href="http://www.ukroadsliaisongroup.org/">www.ukroadsliaisongroup.org/</a>	To review Winter Service Preparations in the light of the report's conclusions.
3/8/09	IBIS Questionnaire and Guidance		Completed questionnaires and a copy of the local telecommunications plan to be sent by 31 August to: <a href="mailto:Telecommunications.Subgroups@cabinet-office.x.gsi.gov.uk">Telecommunications.Subgroups@cabinet-office.x.gsi.gov.uk</a>
3/8/09	CCS Recruitment: Assistant directors & Policy Managers	<a href="http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/ukresilience/news/july09_vacancies.aspx">www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/ukresilience/news/july09_vacancies.aspx</a>	Job vacancies for Assistant Directors (Band A) and Policy Managers (Band B2) within the Civil Contingencies Secretariat on 2 year Fixed Term Appointments (with the option to convert to permanency) working in Whitehall, London.

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			Contact Laura Gibb ( <a href="mailto:community.resilience@cabinet-office.x.gsi.gov.uk">community.resilience@cabinet-office.x.gsi.gov.uk</a> )
3/8/09	Reservoir Inundation Preparedness – new timeline	Draft templates for generic plans and site specific plans were published by Defra on 22 May at: <a href="http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/water/flooding/reservoir/flood-plans.htm">www.defra.gov.uk/environment/water/flooding/reservoir/flood-plans.htm</a> .	To note A copy of the revised off-site guidance for LRFs in England will be published in October 2009
10/8/09	Mining Waste Emergency Planning Regulations	<a href="http://www.opsi.gov.uk/si/si200919">www.opsi.gov.uk/si/si200919</a>	For information
13/08/09	Emergency Response & Recovery Guidance – V2	<a href="http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/media/238642/err-guidance-120809.pdf">http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/media/238642/err-guidance-120809.pdf</a>	For information
24/08/09	National Flood Exercise “Exercise Watermark”	The Exercise Watermark Project Brief and Concept will be available from 25 August at: <a href="http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/flooding">www.defra.gov.uk/environment/flooding</a>	Register for one of 240 places available at one of six initial planning workshops during October and November by <b>11 September 2009</b> using this electronic <a href="#">registration form</a> . Contact Colin Berghouse ( <a href="mailto:colin.berghouse@defra.gsi.gov.uk">colin.berghouse@defra.gsi.gov.uk</a> )
24/08/09	Flood Rescue National Enhancement Project		All responders and LRFs should note interim flood rescue arrangements. All responders and LRFs should note feedback from Flood Rescue Workshop is available. Organisations who provide flood rescue services should complete self-certification questionnaire by the 21st of September
24/08/09	Guidance for LRF Telecommunications sub-Groups and the programme for 8 September Workshop	<a href="#">Guidance for Local Resilience Forums' Telecommunications Sub-Groups</a> ,	Guidance document now published on UK Resilience web pages.  To confirm workshop attendance on 8 September at Novotel Centre, Birmingham by Friday 4 September. To book by email to: <a href="mailto:Telecommunications.Subgroups@cabinet-office.x.gsi.gov.uk">Telecommunications.Subgroups@cabinet-office.x.gsi.gov.uk</a>

NOTE: Due to the Swine Flu outbreak documents are being issued only occasionally via the Gateway. This will be reviewed as the situation progresses.

Documents are available from the Local Response Gateway or from the Regional Resilience Team

## **2. Regional Meetings Update**

NOTE: A majority of regional work and meetings during this period have been focussed on the ongoing situation with Swine Flu. At regional level, Regional Coordination Group (RCG) meetings are held regularly as are meetings between LRF partners and Health.

28/07/09 – Multi-Agency Meeting

Summary: RRT hosted the above meeting, items for discussion were forward look, flu planning/response and excess deaths, LRF updates and flooding.

30/07/09 – Regional Resilience Forum

Summary: RRT hosted the above meeting, items discussed were flu, shelter and evacuation, flooding, CCS forward look and Risk Assessment.

05/08/09 – Regional Fuel Meeting

Summary: The RRT hosted the above meeting at which version 3 of the national Emergency plan for Fuel was discussed.

08/08/090 – Regional Flood Task & finish Group

Summary: Nick Best & Fiona Pickard attended the final meeting of the Regional Flood Task & finish Group. A structure for dealing with strategic flood management will now be put to LGYH Leaders Group in October for agreement.

20/08/09 – Regional Excess Deaths Meeting

Summary: The RRT hosted the above meeting at which plans for managing excess deaths from flu were discussed.

## **3. News Items**

Dr Stephen Morton has been appointed Regional Director of the HPA.

David Dangerfield has been appointed NE Regional Director of the Environment Agency and Toby Willison has been appointed RD for the Southern Region.

## **4. Recent Exercises**

No regional – level exercises have taken place during this time period.

## **5. Upcoming Meetings and Events**

14/09/09 – Regional CBRN Sub-Group

30/09/09 – Regional Flood Meeting

## **6. Date of Next Update**

5 October 2009

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