

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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The Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management is managed by a director appointed by the Governor. The director is vested with the authority to administer emergency management and homeland security affairs in this state and is responsible for preparing and executing the emergency management and homeland security programs of this state subject to the direction of the Governor.

The director is responsible for preparing a statewide comprehensive plan and emergency management program for homeland security, disaster preparedness, response, recovery, mitigation, emergency operation, and emergency resource management. The director is also responsible for making such studies and surveys of the industries, resources, and facilities in the state as may be necessary to determine the capabilities of the state for emergency resource management and to plan for the most efficient emergency use of resources. The director provides technical assistance to any local emergency commission or joint commission requiring assistance in the development of an emergency management or homeland security program.

The director prepares a critical asset protection plan that contains an inventory of infrastructure, facilities, systems, other critical assets, and symbolic landmarks. The director approves and supports the development and ongoing operations of homeland security and emergency response teams. The director develops, implements, and supports a uniform incident command system to be used by state agencies to facilitate efficient and effective assistance to those affected by emergencies and disasters.

The director has the responsibility for the statewide administration and implementation of enhanced 911 services pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 34A.

E911 COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL

§34A.2A, 34A.15

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Barbara Vos, E911 Program Manager*

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Type</i> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Steven Ray, designee of Commissioner of Public Safety, Chair | Statutory |
| Mike Bryant, designee of Iowa Association of Professional Firefighters | Statutory |
| Rob Dehnert, designee of Iowa Emergency Medical Services Association | Statutory |
| Trent Gregory, designee of Iowa Telephone Association | Statutory |
| Sally Hall, designee of Iowa Chapter of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials-International, Inc. | Statutory |
| Kirk Hundertmark, designee of Iowa Chapter of the National Emergency Number Association | Statutory |
| David Kaus, designee of personal communications service providers | Statutory |
| Dean Kruger, designee of Iowa State Sheriffs and Deputies Association | Statutory |
| Mark Murphy, designee of Iowa Firefighters Association | Statutory |
| Robert Seivert, designee of Iowa Emergency Management Directors Association | Statutory |
| Tim Sittig, designee of Iowa Association of Chiefs of Police and Peace Officers | Statutory |
| Bill Tortoriello, designee of cellular telephone service providers | Statutory |
| Kami Wernimont, designee of Iowa Telephone Association | Statutory |
| <i>Ex officio, nonvoting member</i> | |
| Warren G. Jenkins, designee of Auditor of State | Statutory |

The council is composed of a variety of members who represent the public safety disciplines and phone service providers. The members are appointed by their respective organizations as identified in Iowa Code section 34A.15.

The council provides advice and recommendations to the director and E911 Program Manager on the implementation and ongoing operation of E911 emergency communications within Iowa.

IOWA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION

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| <i>Name</i> | <i>Term Ending</i> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Raymond A. Reynolds, designee of Department of Public Safety, Chair | April 30, 2015 |
| Terry Butler, private industry representative | April 30, 2015 |
| Janet Gastineau, designee of Department of Natural Resources | April 30, 2015 |
| Susan Green, designee of Department of Public Defense | April 30, 2015 |
| Staci Griffin, Local Emergency Planning Committee representative | April 30, 2015 |
| Dean House, designee of Department of Transportation | April 30, 2015 |
| Anne Jackson, designee of Department of Workforce Development | April 30, 2015 |

Nonvoting advisory members

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| James Clark, Jr., designee of Iowa Hazardous Materials Task Force | April 30, 2015 |
| Christopher Enyeart, private industry representative | April 30, 2016 |
| Meghan Gavin, designee of Department of Justice | April 30, 2016 |
| Terry Jackson, designee of Fire Service and Emergency Response Council | April 30, 2016 |
| Robin Pruisner, designee of Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship | April 30, 2015 |
| Melaine Rasmusson, designee of Department of Public Health | April 30, 2016 |
| Ted Stopulos, designee of Office of the Governor | April 30, 2015 |
| Julie Waltz, private industry representative | April 30, 2015 |

The Emergency Response Commission’s mission is to assist in improving communities’ preparedness for handling chemical accidents, promoting cooperation among state and local government and industry, increasing public awareness of chemicals in the community, and building information databases.

Iowa Code chapter 30 establishes the Emergency Response Commission, which was created by statute in 1989 after a requirement for a state commission was established by Congress in the federal Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) of 1986 (Public Law No. 99-499, Title III). Initially, the commission established Iowa’s 99 counties as Local Emergency Planning Districts with the option for multiple counties to merge as a single district.

The commission is composed of 16 members appointed by the Governor to a three-year term. Officers are elected in May of each year. The commission is represented by: three members representing private industry and one member each from the Fire Service and Emergency Response Council, the Governor’s Office, the Iowa Hazardous Materials Task Force, the LEPC, and the departments of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Justice, Natural Resources, Public Defense, Public Health, Public Safety, Transportation, and Workforce Development.

The commission members representing the departments of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Natural Resources, Public Defense, Public Safety, Transportation, and Workforce Development, as well as the LEPC representative and one private industry representative designated by the commission shall be voting members of the commission. The remaining members of the commission shall serve as nonvoting, advisory members.

Pursuant to federal law, the commission appoints members to a Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) in each district. The LEPCs have broad-based representation, including elected state or local officials, law enforcement, emergency management, first aid, fire fighting, health,