



SIoux LOOKOUT
Hub of the North

EMERGENCY PLAN 2023

MUNICIPALITY OF SIOUX LOOKOUT

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Section 1 - Introduction

1.1 Introduction

The Municipality of Sioux Lookout, which has a population of approximately 5,200, is located near Pelican Lake and Lost Lake at the north end of Highway 72, 67 kilometres northeast of Highway 17. Highway 642, an all-weather secondary road, extends from Sioux Lookout in a southeasterly direction via Alcona and connects with Highway 599 at a point approximately 56 kilometres northeast of Ignace. Highway 516 connects Sioux Lookout to Savant Lake, a distance of approximately 80 kilometres. Highway 664 is an all-weather secondary road extending 8 kilometres south of Sioux Lookout in a westerly direction via Hudson to the First Nation community of Lac Seul.

Rail service is provided by the main East-West line of the Canadian National Railway.

Extensive road transportation and air schedule and charter services are also available.

Principal industries are:

Health and Service Centre to the Northern and Eastern regions

Fishing, Tourism

Construction and Contracting

C.N.R. Divisional Point, Railyard

The Fire Hall in Sioux Lookout (Hall 1) consists of 24 volunteer firefighters. The Fire Hall in Hudson (Hall 2) consists of 8 volunteer firefighters.

The Municipality operates a roads department, a water distribution system including storage tank, a sewer system including a treatment plant, an airport with a lighted and paved runway, and an aviation fuelling station, an arena and a Fitness Centre. Available in Sioux Lookout is a Flight Service Station operated by NAV CAN with a 24-hour air radio, the Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre, located at 1 Meno Ya Win Way, a medical clinic, an air ambulance, Day Care Centres, the Sioux Lookout Hydro-electrical distribution system and many other services and facilities. The Community of Hudson has a water treatment plant and a community hall.

Bell Canada telephone exchange, CBC Radio; CKDR Radio in Dryden (FM 92.7), Q104 Radio, Wawatay Radio and cable service are available in Sioux Lookout.

Government agencies include Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, Transportation (patrol garage), Northern Development and Mines, Community and Social Services, Ministry of Health, Air Ambulance, Ontario Provincial Police and Northwest Patrol. Federal Government Departments include Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, N.A.P.S., Service Canada and Health Canada.

1.2 Definitions

“Emergency Alerting System (EAS)” is the system used to alert all members of the Emergency Control Group implemented by either the CAO or the Mayor.

“Municipal Emergency Control Group (MECG)” is a group of officials responsible for providing the essential services to minimize the effects of the emergency on the Municipality.

“Emergency Operations Centre (EOC)” is the physical facility from which the Emergency Control Group coordinates and directs the response effort of all the responding agencies to an emergency. This facility is located at a predetermined location with an alternate location designated.

“Operations Officer” (CAO) is responsible for running the EOC and coordinating all decisions or directions of the ECG to all responding agencies.

“Emergency Site Manager” is the individual appointed by the Manager of the Emergency Control Group Centre who is responsible for directing and coordinating at the Emergency Operations Centre the actions of all the responding agencies. The individual in this position may vary as the nature of the emergency changes.

“Quorum” of the Emergency Control Group shall consist of those members present at the time of assembling. No meeting shall be postponed or delayed by want of any number to constitute a quorum.

“Emergency Area” may, for the purpose of the Plan, be designated as all or part of the Municipality.

“Information Centre” is the physical facility from which authorized instructions will be issued to the local residents.

“Reporting and Inquiry Centre” is the physical facility which will be established to handle individual requests for information concerning all aspects of the emergency and tracing residents who have been evacuated.

“Media Centre” is the location from which information prepared by the Information Officer and approved by the Emergency Control Group is provided to the media. The centre will also monitor the media’s coverage and provide a location through which emergency site tours, interviews and photo opportunities are coordinated.

“Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC)” coordinates the development, implementation and maintenance of the community’s emergency management program.

1.3 Plural or Feminine Terms

Whenever in this Plan the masculine form of the word is used, it shall pertain to the feminine form of the word, and where the singular form of the word is used, it shall also pertain to the plural form of the word where applicable (i.e. he to she, or he to they) or as the context applies.

1.4 Review and Amendment

The Emergency Control Group shall annually review this Plan by April 30th. Any amendments arising from this review will be prepared by the Emergency Services Manager and circulated to all holders of the Plan.

1.5 Aim

The responsibility for the health and welfare of its people rests with the elected officials of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout. Sioux Lookout must be prepared to the extent of its own capabilities to meet the threat that may arise from emergencies or disasters.

The aim of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout Emergency Plan is to provide the earliest possible coordinated response in order that the following is assured:

- Minimizing the effects of an emergency or disaster on the Municipality of Sioux Lookout and its inhabitants
- The protection and preservation of health and private property
- The restoration of essential services

1.6 Determination of Emergency

This Plan will be implemented as soon as an emergency occurs or is expected, which is considered to be of such magnitude as to warrant its implementation. The emergency will be considered to be of “such magnitude”, if it cannot be dealt with using local resources.

This decision shall be made by the member of the Municipal Emergency Control Group (MECG) who receives the initial warning and/or arrives first on the scene of the emergency. If the MECG member is in doubt, she/he is to proceed to summon the Control Group.

At this time this official will activate the alerting system by calling:

Municipal Office, Clerk’s Department 807-737-2700 (weekdays)

(after hours 807-737-9752 or 807-737-0206) and

Municipal Fire Department at 807-737-2564 weekdays (after hours 807-737-9131)

The member will identify himself/herself and give a brief summary of the emergency and its location, and the location of the Emergency Operations Centre.

Members of the ECG learning of the emergency will immediately report to the Emergency Operations Centre at the Sioux Lookout Fire Hall or Water Pollution Control Plant, having first activated the Emergency Alerting System for the service for which they are responsible.

1.7 Declaration of Emergency

The Mayor or alternate will, on the advice of the members of the Emergency Control Group, officially declare an emergency to exist and may, for the purpose of the Plan, designate all or part of the Municipality as an “EMERGENCY AREA”.

In the event of such a declaration, any of the following actions may be taken:

- a) Evacuation of those buildings within the “EMERGENCY AREA” which are themselves considered dangerous or in which the occupants are considered to be in danger from some other sources;
- b) Dispersal of groups of people not directly connected with the emergency who by their presence are considered to be in danger, or whose presence hinders in any way the efficient functioning

- of the operation,
- c) Discontinuation of any services without reference to any other consumer in the Municipality where, on the advice of the Emergency Control Group, continuation of such a service constitutes a public hazard within the “EMERGENCY AREA”;
 - d) Arrangements for the accommodations and maintenance on a temporary basis, of any residents who are in need of assistance due to displacement as a result of the emergency;
 - e) The calling out and deployment of any municipal equipment and personnel.

In addition to the above, the following actions may be taken:

- a) Requesting the assistance of trained personnel and equipment from local construction firms may be required during emergency operations.
- b) Establishment of an Information Centre for the issuing of authoritative instructions and information to the local residents.
- c) Establishment of a Reporting and Inquiry Centre to handle individual requests for information concerning all aspects of the emergency and tracing residents who have been evacuated or received.

1.8 Authority

The Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act

The *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.9*, as amended, is the primary authority enabling passage of the Plan. Important measures authorized under the legislation which form part of the Plan are:

- Expenditure of monies associated with the formulation and implementation of the Plan
- Authorization for the municipal employees to take appropriate action before formal declaration of an emergency
- Procedures to be taken for safety and/or evacuation of persons in an emergency area
- Designation of a Member of Council who may exercise powers and perform the duties of the Head of Council under the Plan during the absence or inability of the Head of Council to act
- Establishment of committees and designation of employees to be responsible for reviewing the Plan, to train employees in their functions, and to implement the Plan during an emergency
- Authorization to obtain and distribute materials, equipment, and supplies during an emergency
- Authorization to attend such other matters as are considered necessary or advisable for the implementation of the Plan during an emergency

Protection from Liability for Implementation of the Plan

Section 11 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, R.S.O 1990, c.E.9, as amended*, states:

- 1) No action or other proceeding lies or shall be instituted against a member of council, an employee of a municipality, an employee of a local services board, an employee of a district social services administration board, a minister of the Crown, a Crown employee or any other individual acting pursuant to this Act or an order made under this Act for any act done in good faith in the exercise or performance of the intended exercise or performance of any power or duty under this Act or an order under this Act or for neglect or default in the good faith exercise or performance of such a power or duty.

- 2) Subsection (1) does not relieve a municipality of liability for the acts or omissions of a member of council or an employee of the municipality referred to in subsection (1), and the municipality is liable as if subsection (1) had not been enacted and, in the case of a member of council, as if the member were an employee of the municipality.

Public Accessibility to the Plan

Section 10 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.9, as amended*, provides that an emergency plan must be available to the public during regular business hours at the municipal office.

The Municipality of Sioux Lookout Emergency Plan will be made available to the public at the Municipal Office, the Sioux Lookout Library, and the Sioux Lookout Fire Service.

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy

Any personal information collected under the authority of the Plan shall be used solely for the purpose of planning, preparing and responding to emergencies as defined within the Plan and the release of any information under this Plan shall be made in conformity with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.56*, as amended.

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Scripts and Forms

Full Activation Script

SCRIPT - SIOUX LOOKOUT NOTIFICATION

Emergency Operation Centre
(EOC) STAFF
FULL ACTIVATION

1. My name is _____, and I am calling from the Municipality of Sioux Lookout.
2. This is not a test (or this is an exercise message).
 - a. There has been an emergency due to _____.
 - OR
 - b. The Mayor has declared an emergency due to _____.
3. The Municipality of Sioux Lookout is activating the primary/secondary Emergency Operating Centre.
4. Report to the Emergency Operation Centre (at [time] _____ on [date] _____).
5. The Emergency Operation Centre is located at the:
 - a. Sioux Lookout Fire Hall . 39 Fifth Avenue, Sioux Lookout
 - OR
 - b. Water Pollution Control Plant .159 King Street, Sioux Lookout
6. Are you able to respond?
7. What is your estimated time of arrival?
8. My phone number is _____ or you can contact the EOC at [807-737-2564](tel:807-737-2564).

TO ACTIVATE THE PHONE LINES AT EOC. 1-800-465-6833 OR 611

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Declaration of an Emergency Form

I, _____ , _____

(insert name)

(insert title)

of _____ declare that an emergency exists

(insert Municipality)

in the area of _____

(define area using street names and/or boundaries)

in the community of _____

due to _____

(explain the emergency situation)

DATED this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Signature of Head of Council

Name of Head of Council, printed or typed

Upon completion please fax to:

Emergency Management Ontario

1-866-314-0474

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Termination of Declared Emergency Form

Municipality: _____
(Print name of Municipality/Community/First Nation)

I, _____ hereby declare
(Print name of Mayor or Elected Head of Council or First Nation Chief)

a state of local Emergency terminated in accordance with the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act R.S.O. 1990, c E.9 s.4. (1) due to the emergency described herein: *(describe the nature of emergency)*

for an Emergency Area or part thereof described as: *(geographic boundary)*

Signed: _____

Print Name and Title: _____

Dated: _____ at _____ (time)

In the Municipality/First Nation of: _____

NOTE: Fax to EMO Duty Officer @ 416-314-0474

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Section 2 - General Implementation

2.1 Municipal Emergency Control Group Members

All emergency operations will be directed and controlled by a group of officials responsible for providing the essential services to minimize the effects of the emergency on the Municipality. This will be known as the Municipal Emergency Control Group (MECG) and will be made up and alerted as follows:

- i) Head of Council
- ii) Chief Administrative Officer
- iii) Manager of Emergency Services
- iv) Manager of Corporate Services
- v) Treasurer
- vi) Airport Manager

Responsibilities of the Municipal Emergency Control Group

- a) Advise the Mayor, or his alternate, or Council, of any necessary actions that should be taken and that are not covered in the Emergency Plan, to minimize the effects of an emergency or disaster;
- b) be prepared to authorize the expenditure of municipal funds which are required for the preservation of life and health; must ensure a careful, complete record is kept of all money spent as a result of the emergency;
- c) direct the evacuation of buildings, or areas within the emergency site(s), if necessary;
- d) direct the dispersal or removal of persons from the emergency site(s) who are in danger, or whose presence hinders emergency operations;
- e) direct the activation and operation of reception centres to provide temporary accommodation to all residents who are in need of assistance due to displacement as a result of the emergency;
- f) direct and coordinate all municipal departments and volunteer organizations involved;
- g) provide administrative and logistic support to any volunteer organization involved;
- h) take such action as is necessary to minimize the effects of an emergency or disaster on the Municipality of Sioux Lookout and its inhabitants;
- i) maintain a detailed log of all discussions, decisions or actions taken by the Emergency Control Group;
- j) alert Provincial Government agencies as required; and
- k) conduct and participate in a post emergency debriefing, and provide reports as requested by the Operations Officer.

2.2 Resource Group Members

If required, a “Resource Group” may be formed from members of the public and private agencies having specialist knowledge and advice to give. This group, drawn from organizations listed hereunder, may be called upon individually or be asked to deliberate and make recommendations collectively. The support group is responsible for developing their own standard operating procedures and alerting system. The Resource Group is made up of the following:

- i) OPP (Ontario Provincial Police)
- ii) Emergency Information Officer
- iii) Municipal Public Works
- iv) Sioux Lookout Hydro
- v) CNR (Canadian National Railway)
- vi) NWHU (Northwestern Health Unit)
- vii) Meno Ya Win Health Centre
- viii) Northwest EMS (Northwest Emergency Medical Services)
- ix) NAPS (Nishnawbe-Aski Police Service)
- x) ISC (Indigenous Services Canada)
- xi) MNRF (Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry)
- xii) Red Cross
- xiii) MTO (Ministry of Transportation of Ontario)
- xiv) Ontario Hydro Networks

2.3 Emergency Operations Centres and Alternate Sites

- a) The MECG will assemble at:

Sioux Lookout Fire Hall, 39 Fifth Avenue North Sioux Lookout
807-737-2564

Alternative site is:

Water Pollution Control Plant, 159 King Street, Sioux Lookout
807-737-1664

which will be known as the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC).

- b) The Manager of the MECG Centre shall be the CAO.
- c) A quorum of the MECG shall consist of those members present at the time of assembling, and no meeting shall be postponed or delayed by want of any number to constitute a quorum.

2.4 MECG Notification

- a) The CAO, Mayor or alternate is responsible for notifying the MECG
- b) All members of the MECG and others relevant to the emergency will be notified of the emergency.

Action by the MECG Member Receiving the Notification

- a) The MECG member will notify the CAO or Mayor, who will instruct the Emergency Services Manager or alternate that the EAS be implemented in whole or in part.
- b) The Municipal Clerk's Department (weekdays) and Emergency Services Department (weekends and after hours) will contact the MECG and others as required and repeat a brief summary of the emergency and its location to each recipient by email or telephone.

2.5 Emergency Alerting System (EAS)

- a) The MECG is responsible for implementing the Emergency Alerting System (EAS) via the All-Connect SMS Alerting System.
- b) The MECG will notify the Emergency Services Manager or Manager of Corporate Service to issue an emergency alert to all the residence of the Municipality

Action by the Emergency Services Manager or Manager of Corporate Service

- a) The Emergency Services Manager or Manager of Corporate Service will engage the EAS in whole or in part as directed by the MECG.
- b) The Municipal Clerk's Department (weekdays) and Emergency Services Department (weekends and after hours) will update the residents of the Municipality via the SMS Alerting System as directed by the MECG.

PUBLIC BROADCAST MESSAGE FORM

An accident involving (describe type of materials) _____

Has occurred at (describe location) _____

People living in the area bounded by (describe area by street names) _____

Are asked to leave their homes immediately and move away from (location of accident)

The public is asked to stay away from (describe location of accident) _____

Further bulletins will follow on this station

Later bulletins can include a number of locations to which those people without temporary accommodations can report and receive advice and or assistance in finding accommodation.

Radio Contact Phone Numbers

WAWATAY	807-737-4040	
CKDR	Hotline 807-223-4134	807-223-5215 or 807-223-2355
Q104	807-227-9969	1-866-338-9969

2.5 MECG Members' Responsibilities and Functions

Head of Council

In conjunction with the Emergency Control Group the Head of Council shall ensure:

- Assessment of any situation and make the appropriate declaration when an emergency is deemed to exist.
 - Assessment of the nature of the emergency.
 - Designate all or part of the Municipality as an "Emergency Area".
1. Determine when and if the actions set out in this plan are insufficient to control the emergency or if the financial responsibility, jurisdiction or authorities are in question, and thereupon summon the assistance of the appropriate Ministry of the Province of Ontario.
 2. Maintain close liaison with appropriate Ministry of authorities and O.P.P. officials in the area.
 3. Order the evacuation of the area surrounding the emergency site if considered necessary, in accordance with the provisions of By-law No. 39.04.
 4. Confer with Provincial Ministries or their field representatives and leaders of the evacuation communities as are required.
 5. In consultation with the Public Information Officer and the CAO, approve news releases and public announcements.
 6. Keep council updated regarding the situation and actions being taken to resolve the emergency.
 7. Terminate the emergency at the appropriate time and ensure all concerned have been notified.

Chief Administrative Officer

1. Implement Emergency Alerting System.
2. Serve as chair of the Emergency Operations Centre – in accordance with the provisions of By-law No 39.04 – and maintain log.
3. Chair the meetings of the Municipal Emergency Control Group.
4. Organize and supervise all activities within the Emergency Operations Centre.
5. Ensure that all necessary administration in connection with the emergency is carried out.
6. Serve as chief advisor to the Mayor.
7. Provide immediate and continuing information on the developing emergency situations in the Municipality to the Emergency Planning Officer, Thunder Bay area, Emergency Measures Organization, telephone 1.866.314.0472 - 24 hours.
8. Designate a site manager.
9. Maintain close liaison with all supporting agencies, as required.
10. Request service stations and grocery stores to be open during the alert period.
11. Arrange business meeting of the community control group.
12. With assistance from MECG, establish assembly points for persons requiring transportation and

for persons having their own transportation.

13. Maintain liaison with, and direct all coordinators of components of the reception plan.
14. Coordinate and direct all aspects of evacuee reception.
15. Coordinate and direct all aspects of the return of evacuees to their respective homes.
16. Coordinate and direct all aspects of the emergency.
17. Prepare a post-emergency report for submission to City Council.

Manager of Emergency Services

1. Provide the Emergency Control Group with information and advice on emergency service matters.
2. Participate in decision making, determining priorities, and issuing operational directives for the resolution of the emergency.
3. Provide equipment and manpower to assist in operations as deemed necessary.
4. Provide resuscitation and extrication equipment and trained manpower when and where required.
5. Activate the mutual aid system if it is deemed necessary.
6. Coordinate assistance with other municipal, regional, provincial, or federal departments and agencies.
7. Assist with search and rescue of trapped or injured people as required.
8. Implement the evacuation warning when instructed to do so.
9. Provide increased fire protection as appropriate of the potentially affected area throughout the emergency period with the assistance of additional volunteers and municipal employees.
10. Provide fire protection as required.
11. Assist with crowd control.

Manager of Corporate Services

1. Act as Scribe for the emergency by maintaining an ongoing record of Emergency Operation Activities and taking and preparing notes of daily brief meetings.
2. Receive documentation provided or generated by others.
3. Ensure that timely and correct information is displayed or available within the Emergency Operations Centre.
4. Operate as support to emergency operations, keeps log.
5. Carries out duties of the Chief Administrative Officer should he/she be unable or unavailable to carry out his/her duties.
6. Provide for the safety of municipal records.

7. Oversee preparation of public information and instructions for release.
8. Keep municipal staff informed so they can handle inquiries.
9. Alert and warn the public of the emergency keeping them informed of significant developments during the emergency or disaster.
10. Ensure the local residents know the warning signals and evacuation procedures.
11. Arrange a centre for all media to gather.
12. Prepare press release advising of the emergency or disaster with periodic updates on what is happening.
13. Act as spokesperson for the Emergency Control Group during the emergency or disaster and to provide periodic reports on the progress of the emergency or disaster.
14. Provide information on how to prepare for and proceed with the evacuation.
15. Prepare and disseminate information on the emergency or disaster being experienced elsewhere and what role Sioux Lookout will play.
16. Issue announcements deemed necessary, relating to the incident.

Treasurer

1. Receive any invoices related to the emergency.
2. Maintain accurate records and accounts of the financial affairs during the emergency.
3. Tracking timesheets for incident personnel and equipment.
4. Negotiate and monitor contracts.
5. Reimburse expenses.
6. Make costs estimates for alternate response strategies.
7. Monitor sources of funding.
8. Track and report the financial usage rate.

Airport Manager

1. Implement Emergency personnel where needed.
2. Determine if additional equipment will be required.
3. Have inventory of equipment available to the community.
4. Co-ordinate road, air and water operations.
5. Maintain fueling on generator systems.
6. Ensure alternate means of emergency power is available.
7. Maintain an inventory of special equipment and supplies available in the area that may be

required during an emergency.

2.6 Resource Group

Municipal Fire Service

1. Conduct all operations connected with the fighting of fires, including electrical fires, within the Municipality of Sioux Lookout during the emergency.
2. Determine if additional special fire-fighting equipment or supplies will be required, and if so, make the necessary arrangements for procurement, e.g. air packs, special protective clothing, etc.
3. Provide the Emergency Control Group with information and advice on fire service matters.
4. Participate in decision making, determining priorities, and issuing operational directives for the resolution of the emergency.
5. Provide equipment and manpower to assist in operations as deemed necessary.
6. Provide resuscitation and extrication equipment and trained manpower when and where required.
7. Activate the mutual aid system if it is deemed necessary.
8. Coordinate assistance with other municipal, regional, provincial, or federal departments and agencies.
9. Assist with search and rescue of trapped or injured people as required.
10. Implement the evacuation warning when instructed to do so.
11. Provide increased fire protection as appropriate of the potentially affected area throughout the emergency period with the assistance of additional volunteers and municipal employees.
12. Provide fire protection as required.
13. Assist with crowd control.

Police Services (OPP)

1. Secure the emergency area.
2. Control, and if necessary, disperse crowds.
3. Control traffic, where required, to facilitate the movement of emergency vehicles both in and out of the emergency area.
4. Conduct the evacuation of buildings and emergency areas as authorized by the Mayor.
5. Provide the Emergency Control Group with information and advice on law enforcement matters.

6. Participate in decision making, determining priorities, and issuing operational directives for the resolution of the emergency.
7. Ensure the protection of property against looting within the emergency area.
8. Patrol a reasonable distance outside the boundaries of the municipal areas to warn and evacuate and prevent vandalism and looting.
9. With the Municipality and Ministry of Natural Resources, determine evacuation route or routes.
10. Patrol assembly areas and safeguard vital resources, supplies and utilities.
11. Ensure evacuation routes are kept clear of immobilized vehicles and incoming traffic.
12. Ensure evacuation of unorganized area as required.
13. Control traffic, where required, to facilitate movement of private vehicles of evacuees in order to alleviate congestion, avoid accidents and provide for smooth and orderly arrival within the Municipality.
14. Assist other services as required.

Emergency Information Officer

1. Oversee preparation of public information and instructions for release.
2. Keep municipal staff informed so they can handle inquiries.
3. Alert and warn the public of the emergency keeping them informed of significant developments during the emergency or disaster.
4. Ensure the local residents know the warning signals and evacuation procedures.
5. Arrange a centre for all media to gather.
6. Prepare press release advising of the emergency or disaster with periodic updates on what is happening.
7. Act as spokesperson for the Emergency Control Group during the emergency or disaster and to provide periodic reports on the progress of the emergency or disaster.
8. Provide information on how to prepare for and proceed with the evacuation.
9. Prepare and disseminate information on the emergency or disaster being experienced elsewhere and what role Sioux Lookout will play.
10. Issue announcements deemed necessary, relating to the incident.

Public Works Department

1. Provide barricades and flashers at the site of the incident on receipt of the “Emergency Alert”.
2. Provide municipal vehicles and equipment, together with operators as required.

3. Provide the Emergency Control Group with information and advice on engineering and transit matters.
4. Participate in decision making, determining priorities, and issuing operational directives through the Operations Officer for the resolution of the emergency.
5. Direct and coordinate all Public Works operations in accordance with the Plan and directions issued by the Emergency Control Group.
6. Organize and procure equipment for operations, if required on the advisement of the ECG.
7. Arrange for demolition of unsafe buildings and evacuation operations where required.
8. Mark off evacuation route or routes.
9. Assist with traffic control and emergency operations by clearing emergency routes, assisting the police in closing and opening roadways, marking obstacles, installing emergency road signs, and other actions as required.
10. Ensure the route to the reception centre is suitably marked and safe for vehicle traffic.
11. Coordinate staff to provide garbage removal, maintenance and cleaning of facilities on advisement of the ECG.

Communications Officer

1. Ensure adequate primary communications and back up of communications in support of emergency or disaster operations.
2. Establish and supervise the Emergency Operations Centre Message Control Board.
3. Establish static and mobile communications posts as required.
4. Ensure all equipment is charged and functioning properly.
5. Ensure logs are maintained of all actions taken including all in and out messages.

Volunteer Coordinator

1. Engage volunteers as required to assist with evacuation proceedings, keep log.
2. Coordinate volunteers so as to use available resources in the most effective manner to assist with the emergency.
3. Engage available volunteer resources (groups, individuals) to assist in reception operations as required.
4. Respond to requests from the ECG for volunteers as quickly and efficiently as possible.

Manager of Recreation and Culture

The Recreation and Culture Manager or his/her designate shall perform duties and responsibilities described in the Municipality of Sioux Lookout Emergency Plan, and in particular, with regard to the Reception Plan:

1. Arrange for the opening, operation, direction, and supervision of the Reception Centre with the MCEG
2. Liaise with the Medical Officer of Health or Health Unit Representative on areas of mutual concern regarding operations and good health practices in Reception Centre
3. Liaise with the Public Information Officer to share information with respect to evacuation and Reception Centre services
4. Request the Public Information Officer to advise the media/public on location of the Reception Centre
5. Provide adequate signage within the Reception Centre
6. Ensure that staff is available to clean and maintain the building
7. If evacuees are to be kept at the Reception Centre for more than 8 hours, ensure that a relief shift is available to provide assistance to evacuees on a 24 hour basis

Sioux Lookout Hydro

1. Provide alternate electrical power supply where necessary and practicable, e.g. generators, temporary power lines, etc.
2. On the advice of the Emergency Control Group, the Mayor may direct the electrical power be disconnected to any consumer or area where this is considered necessary in the interest of public safety.
3. Assist with evacuation arrangements as required.
4. Keep evacuation route or routes clear of downed power lines or other electrical hazards as required.
5. Repair any downed power lines, as required, so as to ensure public safety, and to ensure route or routes into the Municipality remain free and clear of hazards.

Canadian National Railway

1. Provide transportation as available in evacuation.
2. Provide current updates to Emergency Operations Centre in the event of a hazardous spill.

3. Assist with reception arrangements as required.
4. Provide equipment and manpower as available and as required.
5. Ensure rail lines are clear of congestion and obstructions to ensure smooth passage and avoid accidents.
6. Assist with clearing tracks and clean up as soon as possible.
7. Repair tracks, if needed, as quickly as possible.

Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

1. Advise the Municipality of a possible need to evacuate or receive. (Give preliminary alert of evacuation or reception).
2. Give evacuation notice when/as required.
3. Provide current updates to Emergency Operations Centre in the event of an evacuation or reception.
4. Conduct all operations connected with fighting forest fires, as required.
5. Determine if additional special fighting equipment or supplies will be required, and if so, make the necessary arrangement procurement, e.g. special protective clothing, etc.
6. Request the Municipal Fire Department for assistance as required.
7. Cancel evacuation notice as soon as possible.
8. In conjunction with the Municipality and the O.P.P., determine evacuation route or routes.
9. Assist with transportation of evacuees to ensure safe arrival.

Red Cross

If requested, Red Cross shall provide registration and inquiry services and assist at Reception Centre(s) as required. Red Cross is also able to provide first aid services at evacuation centres and other locations as required. It shall also maintain a detailed log of all actions taken and provide reports as requested by the CAO.

Medical Officer of Health or Northwest Health Unit Representative

1. Arrange for dissemination of special instructions to the public on matters concerning public health through the Information Officer.
2. Arrange for a mass immunization when required.
3. Provide the Emergency Control Group with information and advice on matters pertaining to public and/or environmental health.

4. Participate in decision making, determining priorities, and issuing operational directives for the resolution of the emergency, as requested by the Emergency Control Group.
5. Inspect accommodations where cooking, dishwashing and personal hygiene facilities are combined in order that precautions can be taken to ensure sanitary conditions.
6. Notify hospitals as required.
7. Northwestern Health Unit to:
 - a. Alert the Medical Officer of Health to any health problems that may arise.
 - b. Liaison with hygiene and health services.
8. Advise on and enforce health standards.
9. Inspect evacuation centre.

Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre

1. Coordinate medical services as required.
2. Coordinate ambulance services and hospitals as required.
3. Coordinate the involvement of the Federal Health Ministries.

Northwest EMS - Sioux Lookout Ambulance

1. Liaise with police, fire and other agencies active at the site of the emergency.
2. Provide the Emergency Control Group with information and advice on health matters.
3. Participate in decision making, determining priorities, and issuing operational directives for the resolution of the emergency, as requested by the Emergency Control Group.
4. Ensure triage and treatment of patients at the emergency site.
5. Assess the need and initial request for on-site medical teams from hospitals; assist if required the police or other emergency services in providing transportation to the scene for these medical teams through the ECG.
6. Liaise with hospitals for the efficient distribution of casualties.
7. Assess the need and initial request through the ECG for special emergency health service resources at the emergency site (i.e., ambulance, buses, support units, paramedics, ambulance helicopters, etc.).
8. Provide the main radio and telephone communications link among emergency health services, and notifying and request assistance of the Ontario Ministry of Health, Emergency Health Services Branch.
9. Liaise through the CEO and Medical Coordinator for information regarding invalids or disabled

citizens that may reside in an area to be evacuated and may require ambulance transportation.

10. Assist with the organization and transport of persons in health care facilities, homes for the aged, nursing homes and rest homes, which are to be evacuated, as required by the ECG.
11. When required, assist the Emergency Site Coordinator as appointed by the CAO in fulfilling their responsibilities.

Nishnawbe-Aski Police Service

1. Assist with reception.
2. Provide use of hangar for reception.

Indigenous Services Canada

1. On-site administrative and liaison team support as required.
2. Assist with the coordination of reception, maintenance and rehabilitation of First Nations evacuees.
3. Supply additional bedding, mattresses, fans and other emergency supplies as required.
4. Provide authorization for the purchase of legitimate expenditures to the receiving municipality during the evacuation.
5. Liaise with First Nation community and Municipal leaders during the evacuation.

Registration, Inquiry and Transportation Coordinator

1. Arrange a reporting and inquiry service to provide specific information for people who may be affected by the emergency. Establish registration and inquiry service and maintain an up.to. date record of evacuation information and keep log.
2. Provide “reception” of incoming evacuees.
3. The Registry and Inquiry service will maintain accurate records of who has arrived in town and where they have been given accommodations, in order that relatives, friends, etc. can locate them. Advise where people can call to get information on evacuees (including telephone numbers to call) and when information is available.
4. Notify the Red Cross for possible assistance in helping with an evacuation or reception.
5. Coordinate, assemble and dispatch transportation so as to use available resources in the most effective manner. (Coordinate transportation so as to use available resources in the most effective manner to assist with the emergency).
6. Provide and allocate suitable transportation for the general evacuation as required.

7. Provide transportation to the Meno Ya Win Health Centre sites for evacuation purposes.
8. Accommodate requests for transportation as quickly and as accurately as possible.
9. Maintain an inventory of local transportation facilities.
10. Provide all necessary transportation, make all necessary arrangements for vehicle assembly areas and provide local emergency transportation if required.
11. Coordinate all aspects of acquisition and scheduling of transportation for the purpose of transporting persons and/or supplies as required.

Food and Shelter Coordinator

1. Arrange for food, accommodation, personal supplies and clothing for any person in need due to an emergency situation, when authorized by the Mayor.
2. Arrange for the provision of food and supplies to the Emergency Control Group and other officials and volunteers within the Municipality working on the emergency operation.
3. Arrange for congregate lodging (if required) in schools, churches and other accommodations.
4. Arrange for the bulk purchase and preparation of food.
5. Enlist the aid of clergy as personal services managers. They will provide personal guidance on the basis of particular needs of individuals and families.
6. Enlist in the aid of service agencies as required through the ECG.
7. Arrange for the opening, operation, direction and supervision of sufficient support centres required to provide immediate emergency support services including but not limited to food, clothing and shelter.
8. Maintain a record of expenditures and materials, obtain receipts and forward to the Municipal Treasurer. The evacuating community will be responsible for the cost of reception.
9. Arrange for laundry service for the evacuees.
10. Contact hospital for laundering of towels.

Section 3 - Evacuation Plan

3.1 General

The Municipality of Sioux Lookout, with a residential population of approximately 5,200, is located in a forested area about 45 miles north of the Dinorwic Junction of Highways 17 and 72. In the event the Municipality of Sioux Lookout and surrounding area is endangered by a critical situation, it may be necessary to evacuate.

3.2 Introduction

There are two types of evacuation:

- 1) Precautionary and
- 2) Mandatory

Precautionary Evacuation: Occurs when it is recommended to evacuate within a certain parameter usually a building or a block until the initial situation is contained.

Mandatory Evacuation: Takes place when it is determined by the MECG that there is an absolute need to evacuate an area, usually on a large scale, possibly for a long period of time – i.e. more than 24 hours.

For the purpose of this evacuation plan, the definition that shall set the plan, or part of the plan, in motion, shall therefore be Mandatory Evacuation.

Evacuation may result in tremendous psychological effect on those persons directly affected. Adequate communication with the people involved is essential and shall include explaining that an evacuation is pending, what they shall be required to do and when they shall be required to react if an evacuation is issued. The economic effect of closing down industry even a short period of time is enormous and can be measured in the millions of dollars in lost revenue. A decision to evacuate should only be made when absolutely necessary.

First response services alone cannot be expected to deal with a large-scale evacuation and relocation of residents. An effective response will require participation and cooperation between municipal services, industry, and volunteer services as outlined in the Municipality of Sioux Lookout Emergency Plan.

3.3 Potential Community Hazards

All of the following are considered potential community hazards within the Municipality of Sioux Lookout and surrounding areas and are not listed in any particular order of risk, but may require mandatory evacuation.

- Windstorm, tornado
- Road, highway or rail incident involving dangerous goods spill, for and/or explosion
- Snow/ice storm with power outage
- Heavy rain, flooding
- Rupture of vessel or piping containing propane, chlorine or other volatile material under pressure
- Falling aircraft
- Forest fire

- Building or structure collapse

3.4 Aim

To establish a plan of action for all tasks envisaged in the evacuation of all or specific segments of the population of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout and surrounding area, utilizing those resources immediately available.

3.5 Emergency Alerting System

Follow the procedures outlined in Section 2, Implementation of Alerting System.

3.6 Implementation

The Sioux Lookout Emergency Plan:

- Provides details of a state of readiness to be instituted by the Municipality when advice is received in the appropriate manner that the evacuation of Sioux Lookout may become necessary; and
- Outlines the procedure by which the Mayor will effect an evacuation of the Municipality; and
- Will be implemented when evacuation is considered necessary by the appropriate authorities through the sequence of Declaration of Evacuation Notice.

3.7 Reception of Communities and Reception Centres

If evacuation of the Municipality if necessary, the reception communities are as follows:

- City of Dryden
 - Via Highways 72 South and 17 West; or
 - Via Hudson down Goodie Lake Road to Kathlyn Lake Road to Highway 72
- Township of Ignace
 - Via Highways 642 North and 516 South, or
 - Via Highways 72 South and 17 East
- City of Thunder Bay
 - Via Highways 72 South and 17 East or
 - Via Highway 642 North and 516 South and 17 East
- City of Kenora
 - Via Highways 72 South and 17 West

The ECG will, at the time of emergency, determine assembly points in the Municipality and reception centres of destinations. This information will be included in the Evacuation Notice.

The receiving community or communities selected should be alerted by the Mayor as early as possible in order that their reception program may be activated prior to the arrival of the evacuees.

3.8 Warning

Alert Stage

- Announcement over media, CKDR Radio, Q104 Radio, Wawatay Radio and Television channels, and loud speakers on emergency vehicles, police cars and ambulances.

Evacuation

- Announcement over media as above
- Intermittent sounding of the municipal siren and sirens of emergency vehicles, police cars and fire trucks.
- Mobile public address as available
- Door to door notification may be required.

3.9 Steps for Activation of the Evacuation Plan

This plan will be activated as soon as it becomes apparent that due to an emergency of such magnitude as to warrant its implementation, evacuation and relocation of people is necessary.

Should a major incident occur within the Municipality of Sioux Lookout, a member of the ECG, on the advice of the first response agency, will activate the Municipality of Sioux Lookout Emergency Plan. This official will then ensure that all members of the ECG are alerted and instructed to report to the EOC. If the need to evacuate and relocate residents of the affected area is apparent, the provisions of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout Emergency Plan will be implemented. In such events, the Mayor shall declare a state of emergency before a mandatory evacuation is carried out.

The OPP will have the primary responsibility for implementation of evacuation consistent with their operating procedures. All other services and agencies will be prepared to support the police evacuation activities.

The exception to the above is where an evacuation site is under the management of a department other than the police service. In this instance, the site manager has the responsibility for evacuation of people within the danger area.

If the evacuation of any residents of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout is necessary, the following locations will be used as registration areas:

- Centre – Recreation Complex
- North – Sioux Lookout Golf and Curling Club
- South – Lamplighter Hotel

3.10 Evacuation Operations and General Responsibilities

Once the decision has been made to evacuate an area of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout, the ECG shall determine the following:

- Boundaries of area to be evacuated
- Main evacuation route(s) to be used, and identify necessary traffic control points

- Assembly areas to be used
- Location of facilities within the evacuation area to be notified, and how notification will be carried out
- Time of the evacuation start, and if necessary, who will be evacuated first – stages of evacuation

The ECG shall proceed with the following:

- Alert of the evacuation order to all concerned including the Province of Ontario
- Preparation of media release for immediate broadcast to the public
- if necessary appointment of a site manager to direct the evacuation and relocation

Schools located within the area to be evacuated shall remain under the control of their respective school boards. Both the public and separate school board have their own evacuation procedures that cover evacuation, transport and relocation of the entire school population. All such school evacuations should however be coordinated with the ECG.

In the event of a mandatory evacuation, students shall not be sent home. All students and staff will be evacuated to a designated reception centre. Parents or guardians wishing to remove their child from school during an evacuation may do so from the reception centre by making a request in person to school officials.

Designated essential municipal and in some cases industrial facilities cannot be fully evacuated and minimal staff must remain on the job. There are other essential services within the community that cannot be left unattended. These positions will be rotated as often as feasible and will only be abandoned under immediate life threatening circumstances. Essential positions would be those associated with traffic, engineering, water treatment plant, hydro, telephone, and emergency services.

The residents of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout who have been relocated to temporary shelters will require a wide range of support services. The Recreation and Culture Department has the primary responsibility for the provision of such services assisted by other municipal department and volunteer agencies such as the Canadian Red Cross.

3.11 Request for Assistance from Provincial Government

When an emergency evacuation order is in effect, the Mayor of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout, with the advice of the ECG may request assistance from the Provincial Government through Emergency Management Ontario:

Phone: 1-866-314-0472 24 hour

3.12 Evacuation Procedures

Households

For safety of your family and property, please make the following arrangements.

Preparation

- Shut off appliances
- Take a two-day supply of food, clothing, drugs, including prescription drugs, toiletry articles, and insect repellent
- Take one blanket per person
- For infants and children, take infant formula in a thermos, candies and toys
- Ensure your car has ample fuel and oil if travel is by road
- Ensure pets are basically free or in a yard with adequate food and water – do not lock pets in the house or car
- Secure premises

Evacuation

Without transportation

- Families remain together as a group
- Proceed to designated assembly points as announced in Evacuation Notice
- When you arrive at assembly point, register names of persons in your family or group

With transportation

- Proceed to designated check points as announced in Evacuation Notice
- Report names of persons in vehicle at checkpoints
- Follow prescribed route of evacuation given at checkpoint
- Report to designated reception centre in reception community

Business, Industry, Offices, Stores

If designated emergency service to remain open, provide for staff and procedures for making that service available on request from the Emergency Response Group.

Preparation

- Implement emergency procedures to disperse staff and secure premises

Evacuation

- Close and secure premises and disperse staff.

Hospitals

Preparation

Implement own emergency plan

- Advise ECG of transportation needs

Evacuation

- Proceed to designated checkpoints
- Report names of persons in vehicles
- Follow prescribed evacuation routes
- Report to designated reception centre in reception community

Schools and Daycares

Preparation

- Implement own emergency plan
- Identify transportation needs

Evacuation

- Disperse children to their homes, if possible
- Otherwise
 - Proceed to designated checkpoints
 - Report names of persons in vehicles
 - Follow prescribed evacuation routes
 - Report to designated reception centre in reception community

Senior Citizens. Patricia Plaza, Sioux Towers and Cole Terrace

Preparation

- Secure your apartments
- Take a two-day supply of food, clothing, drugs, toiletry articles and insect repellent
- Take one blanket per person
- Transportation will be allocated by the ECG

Evacuation

- Assemble for pick up from Patricia Plaza, Sioux Towers and Cole Terrace

Social Services Facilities

- Private Group Homes – implement own plan
- Family Resource Centre – implement own plan

Tourist Accommodations

It is preferred that visitors be dispatched prior to any impending evacuation order and accordingly, the following procedures should be implemented at the pre-warning stage.

Preparation

- Guests – follow household procedures as they apply
- Operator - follow business establishment procedures as they apply

Evacuation

- Guests
 - Report to tourist operator on departure
 - Proceed to designated check points as announced in Evacuation Notice
 - Report names of persons in vehicle at check points
 - Follow prescribed evacuation routes at check point
 - Report to designated reception centre in reception community
- Operator
 - Report tourist departures to check point
 - Proceed according to business or household procedures

3.13 Reception Centre

Remain at the Reception Centre in the Reception Community until further instruction for return to Sioux Lookout or evacuation from the Centre. Such evacuation will be according to the Reception Centre's plan and in order of re-entry as outlined in re-entry section on next page.

3.14 Cancellation of Emergency

Cancellation of the emergency will be made by the appropriate authority

3.15 Food Stores and Services Stations Open for Stage 1 Alert Period

Arrangements have been made with the managers of food stores and service stations to remain open during the Stage 1 alert period. An emergency public information service has been established at the Municipal Office, telephone 807-737-2700

Fresh Market	807-737-1630
Drayton Cash and Carry	807-737-3632
DJ's Gas Bar	807-737-1315
Mascotto's Marina	807-737-1770
Wellington Centre	807-737-4030
Five Mile Corner	807-737-1654
Morgan Esso Card Lock	807-737-2250
Petro Canada Card Lock	807-737-3676

3.16 Order of Re-entry

ORDER OF RE-ENTRY		CONDITIONS PRIOR TO NEXT ORDER OF RE-ENTRY
Service Personnel – Primary		Services up and running
	Police	Policing
	Fire Department	Fire and Emergency services
	Public Utilities	Electrical, water, sewer, communications
	Ambulance – Land and Air	Ambulance – Land and Air
Service Personnel – Secondary		
	Municipal	Highways
	Medical	Hospitals and Clinics
	Medical	Northwestern Health Unit
Business Personnel – Primary		
	Food – Retail	Food
	Service Stations / Garages. Retail	Fuel and Service Stations
Business Personnel – Secondary		
	Other retail	General Commercial
	Other services	All other
Other – Primary		
	Families	
	Other able-bodied	
Other – Secondary		
	Senior Citizens	
	Hospital Patients	
	Tourists	

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Section 4 - Other Emergency Plan Procedures

Radioactive Material Accident

This type of emergency could be caused by one of the following:

- Damage to a container carrying a radioactive source in transit by air, road, or rail
- Loss of radioactive material by fire, accident or theft
- Distribution of radioactive material by malfunctioning of a nuclear furnace
- Crash of a defence aircraft suspected by carrying a nuclear device

Transportation Accidents – No Fire Involved

In a road/rail accident where fire is not involved, the first indication that radioactive materials are being carried will come from the driver/conductor, if he is conscious and aware that such materials are present, or from the placard affixed to the vehicle/rail car. Placards will read “RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL” or “DANGEROUS RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL”.

Having regard to his duties at the scene of an accident, the responding Police Officer will, as soon as possible:

- Identify the LABEL – Radioactive White . I, Radioactive Yellow – II, or Radioactive Yellow – III
- Identify the PACKAGE.
- Identify the CONSIGNOR or CONSIGNEE.
- Identify the LOCATION and extent of DAMAGE.
- Pass the above information to the Ontario Provincial Police Headquarters immediately.
- Until the arrival of an official with a radiation measuring instrument, keep all persons from the scene.
- Rescue the injured as soon as possible and notify the ambulance/hospital of the possibility of contamination.
- Damaged packages, spilled contents, or contaminated equipment should not be moved (to minimize the spread of contamination). Approach the package only if it is an urgent necessity and minimize the time, maximize the distance.

- Approach from upwind and use protective outer clothing and dust mask. Avoid inhalation, ingestion or contact with radioactive material.
- Prevent persons and equipment from moving through suspected contaminated areas until such areas are declared safe by an official qualified in radiation detection. Persons who may be contaminated should remove outer clothing, wash exposed skin areas, and must remain at the scene until checked for radiation by a qualified person.

Transportation Accidents – Fire Involved

In an accident where FIRE is involved and the Sioux Lookout and Hudson Fire Department arrive at the scene before the Ontario Provincial Police, the Fire Department will:

- Combat the fire, minimizing exposure, inhalation, smoke and contact with the area.
- Identify the LABEL – Radioactive White – I, Radioactive Yellow, II or Radioactive Yellow – III)
- Identify the PACKAGE.
- Identify the CONSIGNOR and CONSIGNEE.
- Identify the LOCATION and the extent of DAMAGE.
- Pass the above information to the Ontario Provincial Police Headquarters immediately.
- Keep all persons from the scene until qualified personnel arrive with instrumentation equipment capable of measuring radioactive activity.
- Rescue the injured as quickly as possible and notify the ambulance/hospital of the possibility of contamination.
- Damaged packages, spilled contents, or contaminated equipment should not be moved (to minimize the spread of contamination). Approach the package only if it is an urgent necessity and minimize the time, maximize the distance.
- Approach from upwind and use protective outer clothing and dust mask. Avoid inhalation or contact with radioactive material.
- Prevent persons and equipment from moving through suspected contaminated areas until such areas are declared safe by an official qualified in radiation detection. Persons who may be contaminated should remove outer clothing, wash exposed skin areas, and must remain at the scene until checked for radiation by qualified personnel.
- Upon the arrival of the Police, pass all details of the shipment to them.

Building Fires

Radioactive materials are frequently used in some types of industrial plants, hospitals and universities and their use is increasing. It is recommended that the Fire Department maintain details of the types of materials used and their locations within the Municipality. In the event of a fire considered to have radioactive materials involved, the Fire Department will:

- Pass the details of the materials involved to the Ontario Provincial Police who will, in turn, contact the Ontario Ministry of Labour, Special Studies and Services Branch, Toronto.
- Combat the fire, minimizing exposure, inhalation, smoke and contact with the area.
- Rescue the injured as soon as possible and notify the ambulance/hospital of the possibility of contamination.

Action by Ontario Provincial Police

On receiving information that radioactive materials are involved in an accident, the Ontario Provincial Police will:

- Ensure that a Fire Pumper reports to the scene as standby.
- Contact the nearest qualified radiological detection officer – refer to directory.
- Notify the shipper.

Survey of Radioactive Materials, Fire Departments Area of Responsibility

Surveys are required to establish what radioactive sources are being used by industries, hospitals, and other places of business, where they are located in the building, and quantities used.

Further considerations are:

- Will the radioactive element combine with smoke or gases
- If the element combines, what area will it cover, room size, ventilation
- What are the hazards; internal or external
- Will the monitoring equipment detect the element in an emergency situation
- Disposal problems

General Procedures at Fires or Emergencies Involving Radioactive Materials

- Apparatus and equipment parked upwind so as to avoid contamination
- Personnel not to enter a radioactive area unless fully dressed to conduct a rescue of injured as an on-the-spot decision
- Until the area is monitored, personnel attempt only to confine the fires
- Personnel entering the hazard area utilize respiratory equipment and protective clothing
- The area of radioactive material be cordoned off and personnel and equipment not re-enter the “clean” area until decontamination has been carried out
- Use a fine spray hose to minimize disturbances of radioactive materials and run-off

- Report any cuts or abrasions immediately to receive treatment.
- No eating or smoking in the area of radioactive contamination or while a person is contaminated
- Decontamination:
 - Wash down all clothing prior to removal
 - Thorough wash of personnel upon returning to station – do not scrub with vigour
 - Clothing, towels, etc., laundered several times and monitored prior to being stored

Radioactive Transport

The majority of carriers of radioactive materials indicate the cargo when quantities warrant. However, in the event of an accident, the label may have been destroyed and the driver incapacitated. In this case, the only clue that you have is the presence of heavily packaged or lead packages. Until these suspicious packages have been monitored, treat them as dangerous and observe all precautions as for radioactive materials.

Fire in Cargo Trucks Carrying Radioactive Materials

- Take advantage of any shielding.
- Fight from upwind with a fine spray. If this causes violent reactions, discontinue the use of water. If no other property is involved, allow fire to burn out or it can be towed to a safer location
- Guard the area until cleared by the Special Studies and Services Branch of the Ministry of Labour

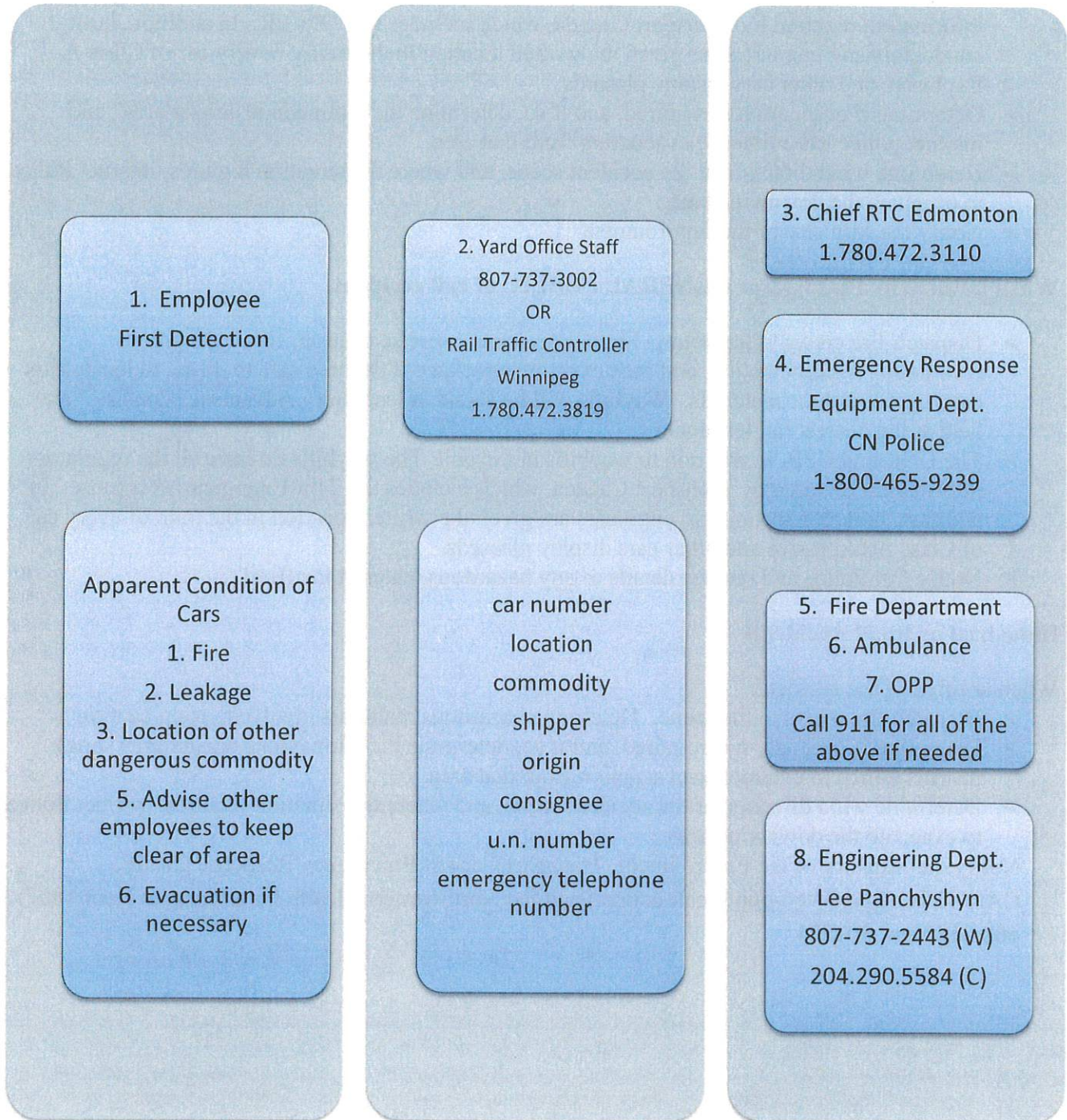
Decontamination

Decontamination is carried out by completing the following:

- treating the surface so as to remove the contaminating agent, or reducing it to a safe level
- aging and sealing
- removal and storage
- shielding.

Sioux Lookout C.N. Rail Emergency Response Schematic

1-800-465-9239 24 hour emergency number



Rail Accidents

When notified by RAIL DISPATCH CENTRE or RAIL STAFF of rail accident

- Request details of any hazardous materials involved
- Dispatch fire crews to the scene. Fire crews are to exercise caution, check dangerous commodity documentation, and then examine wreckage if deemed safe to do so, to locate cars carrying hazardous materials. Waybills will be found in lead unit. Advanced “Consists” are held at the nearest rail terminal.
- The CNR and CPR, in addition to waybills in the unit. The waybills do have all the regulatory information required by Transport Canada, which includes the 24hr ER. In addition, both conductors and engineers are given the written location in the train of every car of Class A Explosive and other cars display placards.
- Determine if evacuation is required, and if so, determine the “immediate danger area” and instruct police to commence evacuation from that area.
- Determine wind direction at the accident scene, and where the situation requires, instruct Police to evacuate the downwind area.
- Notify the Ministry of the Environment.

When notified by POLICE or GENERAL PUBLIC of rail accident

- Dispatch fire crews to the scene. Fire crews are to exercise caution, check dangerous commodity documentation, and then examine wreckage if deemed safe to do so, to locate cars carrying hazardous materials. Waybills will be found in lead unit. Advanced “Consists” are held at the nearest rail terminal.
- The CNR and CPR, in addition to waybills in the unit. The waybills do have all the regulatory information required by Transport Canada, which includes the 24hr Emergency Response. In addition, both conductors and engineers are given the written location in the train of every car of Class A Explosive and other cars display placards.
- Notify CN Police and request details of any hazardous material involved.

Industrial or Road Accidents

When notified of the accident:

- Dispatch fire crews to the scene. Determine hazardous materials involved, using caution
- Determine if evacuation is required, and if so, determine the “immediate danger area” and instruct police to commence evacuation from that area.
- Determine wind direction at the accident scene, and where the situation requires, instruct Police to evacuate the downwind area.

Notify the Ministry of the Environment, Transport Canada Emergency Response Centre, CANUTEC [1-613-966-6666](tel:1-613-966-6666) (call collect) and the Northwestern Health Unit, Thomas Nabb (807) 468-3147 ext. 301224.

Evacuation by the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP)

Instructions for the evacuation of an area will come from the Fire Department. Where details of the accidents are reported to the Police by any means other than the Fire Department, pass all available information to the Fire Department. The following instructions are additional to those responses normally made by the Police to the scene of an accident.

Duties of the Officer in Charge

The Officer in Charge will:

- Ensure details of the area to be evacuated are recorded.
- Direct the evacuation using the Police Evacuation Procedures.
- Arrange, with the Fire Department, the location to set up a Command Post using a Police vehicle for this purpose.
- As soon as possible after receiving the initial warning from the Fire Department, will warn the following of the hazardous materials accident:
 - Ambulance Service – giving an indication of number of casualties already incurred or expected. This information will assist the hospitals in the implementation of their disaster plan.
 - Notify the Radio Broadcast Stations and have them tape and broadcast continuously the evacuation message as outlined in Appendix D.

First Officer at the Scene

Officers detailed to an accident involving a vehicle carrying a hazardous commodity, gasoline, propane, chemicals or other hazardous material, are to exercise extreme caution on arrival.

Headquarters is to be notified immediately and:

- Contact the Officer in Charge from the Fire Service
- Determine magnitude of emergency crowd control necessary to safeguard citizens in the immediate area, and possible evacuation, if necessary.
- Notify Officer in Charge if:
 - It is necessary to evacuate the area
 - Immediate evacuation is ordered by the Officer in Charge from the Fire Service
- Assume command of all Police responsibilities until arrival of a Senior Officer.

Senior Officer

Upon arrival at the scene will:

- Take charge of Police responsibilities
- Set up a Command Post as near to the area as safety will permit
- Establish close liaison with the Fire Chief, and all other emergency services involved

Section 5 - Public Education

Update Sheet

Use Chart Below to Record New Names, Phone Numbers, Email and Information for Yearly Updates

Name	Organization	Phone Numbers	Email

Emergency Plan Distribution List

MUNICIPALITY OF SIOUX LOOKOUT	
Members of Council	Electronic
Members of MECG	Paper & Electronic
Member of the EMPC	Paper and/or Electronic
Public Library	Paper (no appendices)
Municipal Office	Paper (no appendices)
Publish on Municipal Website	Electronic (no appendices)
HEALTH SERVICE	
Administrator, Meno Ya Win Health Centre	Electronic
Medical Officer of Health, Northwestern Health Unit – Kenora	Electronic
Sioux Lookout Ambulance	Electronic
Ministry of Health	Electronic
Sioux Lookout Air Ambulance	Electronic
MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
District Manager – Sioux lookout	Electronic
Fire Management Base – Sioux Lookout	Electronic
ONTARIO PROVINCIAL POLICE	
District Superintendent – Kenora	Electronic
Detachment Commander – Sioux Lookout	Electronic
FEDERAL	
Indigenous Services Canada	Electronic

EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION	
Emergency Measures Coordinator Thunder Bay	Electronic
RECEPTION COMMUNITIES	
City Clerk, Dryden	Electronic (no appendices)
Township Clerk, Ignace	Electronic (no appendices)
City Clerk, Thunder Bay	Electronic (no appendices)
City Clerk, Kenora	Electronic (no appendices)
SCHOOLS	
Sacred Heart School	Electronic (no appendices)
Sioux North High School	Electronic (no appendices)
Sioux Mountain Public School	Electronic (no appendices)
Cornerstone Christian School	Electronic (no appendices)
Pelican Falls First Nations High School	Electronic (no appendices)
Norah Love Day Care	Electronic (no appendices)
Sioux Lookout Hudson Association for Community Living	Electronic (no appendices)
SIOUX LOOKOUT HYDRO	
Sioux Lookout Hydro, CEO	Electronic (no appendices)
CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY	
Chris Allen, Terminal Supervisor	Electronic (no appendices)
Steve Santelli, Sr. Dangerous Goods Officer	Electronic (no appendices)
CANADIAN RED CROSS	Electronic

Emergency Evacuation Procedures for the Public

Familiarize yourself with the SHORTEST ROUTE to RENDEZVOUS AREA.

Rendezvous Area

- Sioux Lookout Recreation Centre.

Warning

If emergency is called:

- Turn on radio to CKDR(FM 97.1) and Q104 (FM 104.5)
- Report to registration booth at the Rendezvous Area
- In case of a gas evacuation, evacuation areas will be decided by wind direction

Do Not

- Panic
- Attempt to locate pets before leaving
- Attempt to travel to school or place of employment to locate family. School buses are alerted to convey students out of danger area
- Speed or violate traffic rules
- Drive through chlorine or any gas

In Case of a Gas Alarm if Unable to Escape

- Close all vents, windows, doors, fans, etc.
- Seal doors, windows, etc., with towels wet down with a solution of washing or baking soda
- Breath through cloth dampened with washing or baking soda solution
- Stay inside; the highest part of the building
- Turn on radio to local radio station

Each school, institution, factory, office, and household is responsible for its own building evacuation plan. Please know your procedures.

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