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	City Public Works/Utilities Director	N - 2
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**WEAPONS OF MASS
DESTRUCTION (WMD)
ANNEX N**

I. PURPOSE

To prevent and/or respond to an incident of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) within any jurisdiction of Boulder County, Colorado.

II. GENERAL INFORMATION

WMD incidents utilize Biological, Nuclear, Incendiary, Chemical, and/or Explosive (BNICE) warfare agents, with the intent to kill people (and sometimes animals and plants) and create mass casualties.

Prevention of a WMD incident is our first and foremost goal. We will work with the FBI to exchange information and take appropriate law enforcement action to prevent a WMD incident. To this end, all law enforcement, fire, and paramedic first responders will be provided training to recognize potential WMD devices.

Remember, if a biological agent is used, it may not be detected for several days, especially if an individual or group does not claim responsibility for the act.

The guidelines in this WMD Annex are a response to a known, or perceived, WMD incident.

There are a variety of ways in which a WMD incident may occur. An incident will be situation specific. Therefore, first responders must analyze the available information for their specific incident and respond accordingly.

An appropriate response will depend upon the following variables:

1. What type of WMD device was used? Biological, Nuclear, or Chemical?
2. How was the substance disbursed? Powder, solid, gas, or liquid form? Was there an explosion? Is there a fire? Was it placed in water? Is there an aerosol device?
3. What is the location? Inside or outside? If inside, how large is the building? If outside, is there a major event occurring, such as a C. U. football game, Bolder Boulder, etc.? If outside, does traffic need to be immediately diverted?

4. How many people are potentially affected? Are potential victims calm, or is there chaos?
5. What is the weather? Temperature? Wind? Is there snow or rain, or is it clear?
6. What resources are needed immediately? Bomb Team? Hazmat Team? Mutual Aid? Implement the MACS Plan? Establish the Emergency Operations Center?

III. RESPONSIBILITIES

All Directors and Heads of City/County Departments and Agencies will:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

The City Manager/Chair of the Board of County Commissioners as the Chief Executives are responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Emergency Management Director (or designee) will:

____ Notify the Colorado Office of Emergency Management (OEM) of an actual, or potential, WMD incident.

____ Implement the MACS plan and coordinate the Emergency Operations Center.

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Law Enforcement Officers will be responsible for:

____ The initial response and assessment. A supervisor shall respond to any possible incidents of WMD and, establish Incident Command with a Fire supervisor.

____ Taking precautions to protect themselves by wearing masks, gloves, and jackets. Stay upwind of the device.

____ Being aware that additional devices may be present.

____ Detaining any potential suspects.

____ Consulting with Hazmat members (or Bomb Team members) to determine an incident action plan.

____ Requesting Communications to notify

the Office of Emergency Management, as well as make necessary staff pages. The MACS Plan and Emergency Operations Center may be activated.

- _____ Requesting mutual aid.
- _____ Securing the crime scene and establishing a perimeter, including traffic control.
- _____ Removing potential victims from the immediate scene, and releasing them only after they are decontaminated and interviewed.
- _____ Conducting area evacuations.
- _____ Explaining the situation to a Detective Supervisor.
- _____ Explaining the situation to a Press Information Officer (PIO).
- _____ Managing any WMD crime scene until the FBI arrives. The FBI will be the lead agency in a criminal investigation. Local officers will assist the FBI in any way possible.

Ambulance Paramedics will be responsible for:

- _____ Working with the Fire Department to conduct paramedic duties.

Refer to the current Medical Emergency Response Plan Annex G.

Fire Department Personnel will be responsible for:

- _____ The initial response and assessment. A supervisor shall respond to any possible incidents of WMD and establish a Command Center with a Police supervisor.
- _____ Taking precautions to protect themselves by wearing masks, gloves, and jackets. Stay up-wind of the device.
- _____ Being aware that additional devices may be present.
- _____ Consulting with hazmat members to determine a plan of action.

The Hazardous Material (Hazmat) Team will be responsible for:

- _____ Providing information to law enforcement, fire, and paramedic first responders about the possible WMD substance.

- _____ Using specialized instruments to test the WMD substance.

- _____ The collection of a WMD substance.

- _____ The mobile decontamination of potential victims.

- _____ Collection and disposal of contaminated clothing.

Refer to the Hazardous Material Incidents Annex H.

A Law Enforcement Communications Center will be responsible for:

- _____ Documenting any possible suspect information from an initial caller about a WMD incident, via tape recording the conversation and CAD information.
- _____ Notifying officers immediately if there is any information to identify the caller's location.
- _____ Notification of the Office of Emergency Management.
- _____ Making necessary staff pages.
- _____ Allocating and managing communication frequencies and resources among user agencies.
- _____ Maintaining coordinated communications for emergency activities with the Emergency Operations Center.

City Public Works/Utilities Director will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Boulder County Transportation Director will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Boulder County Road Maintenance Supervisors will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Boulder City/County Planning Directors will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Boulder County Health Department Director will be

responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

The Boulder County Health Department has a separate Emergency Response Plan, which was issued on June 26, 2001. Refer to that plan.

Boulder County Mental Health will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Medical Personnel will provide:

Refer to the Medical Emergency Response Plan Annex G.

County Social Services and City Human Services Directors will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Boulder County Assessor will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Boulder City/ County Attorney will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Boulder County Coroner will be responsible for:

_____ Working with DMORT personnel to advise the City Manager/Board of County Commissioners and the Health Department on matters pertaining to disposition, handling, and identification of deceased.

_____ Collection and safe storage of the deceased. Making arrangements for additional refrigerated storage trucks, if necessary.

_____ Identification and cremation of the deceased. (Where and when.)

_____ Providing information concerning the deceased.

City and County Finance Directors will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Telecommunications will provide:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

County Emergency Board (CEB) will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

Rural Fire Districts will be responsible for:

Refer to the section for Fire Fighters and the Basic Plan.

Superintendents of Schools will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

The American Red Cross will be responsible for:

Refer to the Basic Plan.

The Red Cross does not have immediate access to clothing for the decontamination process. Refer to the Salvation Army for immediate access to clothing.

Refer to the Shelter Plan Annex J for information on emergency housing.

C. U. Language Laboratory will:

_____ If necessary, provide personnel to give language services to the non-English speaking population.

Victim Advocates will provide:

_____ Support to victims and assist them through the emergency process.

Boulder County Humane Society will:

_____ Work with the Department of Agriculture to decontaminate animals, which can be saved.

_____ Make arrangements to dispose of deceased animals.

Other Emergency Support Agencies will:

Refer to the Basic Plan.