

## **SECTION 6**

### **FIRE**

#### Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this section is to identify those agencies that would provide a system of coordinating fire services. This system will include all levels of fire operations.

#### Situation and Assumptions

##### Situations

Fire prevention and fire fighting are the primary responsibilities of local fire departments in Sangamon County. However, these fire departments are regularly called upon to fulfill many other roles promoting the health and safety of residents in the districts they serve; such as aid calls (for emergency medical services, first aid and assistance), alarm calls for monitoring devices, hazardous materials calls and calls for severe weather impacts. All fire departments serving Sangamon County, except Waverly Fire Department, are members of MABAS Division 48.

##### Assumptions

First response to any fire incident in Sangamon County will be accomplished by individual fire departments. If additional personnel or equipment are needed to cope with a major fire incident, a mutual aid system will be used. Additional specialized equipment and teams may be obtained through the statewide MABAS mutual aid system.

#### Concept of Operations

The Incident Commander is responsible for the overall management of an incident, including determining incident objectives and strategies and establishing the immediate priorities.

When the nature of a major event clearly does not involve law enforcement matters or matters of public health, the fire chief with jurisdiction will take incident command. Hence, the Incident Commander for such event will be the fire chief, or his alternate, at the Command Post.

Fire operations requiring a single fire department will be handled in their usual way. Major emergencies or disaster situations requiring mutual aid response will be dispatched through the SCCDS at the request of the Command Post at the disaster site.

## Organization and Responsibilities

The responsibility for providing fire services rests within the various fire departments of Sangamon County. These fire departments are headed by a fire chief and his command staff. Firefighters are composed of paid, paid on-call and volunteer personnel of these various fire departments providing service to their city, village or local fire protection districts.

In the event additional manpower and equipment are needed in a major emergency or disaster, the Incident Commander may request mutual aid assistance through the SCCDS. Fire personnel responding as a result of mutual aid will report to serve under direction of the Incident Commander.

The Springfield Fire Department (SFD) trains and equips several specialized teams that are available for mutual aid across Sangamon County that can be mobilized directly by SCCDS. These include its state supported and deployable Hazardous Materials Team and Technical Rescue Team.

## Direction and Control

The Command Post will be the direction and control point for all major decisions concerning fire operations. Field operations will be coordinated by the fire chief and his command staff at or near the incident site.

Coordination of responding mutual aid fire services will be through the Command Post and relayed to the scene. If a Staging Area is established, the Incident commander will designate a Staging Officer to assist with direction and control matters.

## Continuity of Government

The line of succession shall be as established for each fire department/district within Sangamon County (Chief, Asst. Chief, etc.). For SFD, the line of succession is:

1. Fire Chief
2. Division Chief of Operations
3. Division Chief of Training
4. Division Chief of Fire Safety
5. Division Chief of Technical Services
6. Deputy Division Chief of Operations
7. Deputy Division Chief of Fire Safety

In the absence of the Fire Chief, an Acting Fire is named for SFD. Usually, this is the Division Chief of Operations, but is dependent on availability. An Acting Fire Chief will always be a minimum of a Division Chief.

## Appendices

1. Fire Departments Serving Sangamon County
2. Fire Protection Districts Served by SFD Through Contract

APPENDIX 1

FIRE DEPARTMENTS SERVING SANGAMON COUNTY

(1) Athens-Fancy Prairie	400 E. Hargrave St., Athens IL 62613	636-8221
(2) Auburn	117 W. Jackson, Auburn IL 62615	438-3121
(3) Buffalo	114 S. Wells Street, Buffalo IL 62515	364-4441
(4) Chatham	#1 Fireman Square, Chatham IL 62629	483-2121
(5) Dawson	109 N. Lewis Street, Dawson IL 62520	364-5975
(6) Divernon	133 S. State St., Divernon IL 62530	628-3341
(7) Illiopolis	428 Mary Street, Illiopolis IL 62539	486-7691
(8) Loami	110 S. Main Street, Loami IL 62661	624-6131
(9) Mechanicsburg	404 W. Main St., Mechanicsburg IL 62545	364-4831
(10) New Berlin-Island Grove	101 S. Oak Street, New Berlin IL 62670	488-6338
(11) Pawnee	711 8th Street, Pawnee IL 62558	625-3131
(12) Pleasant Plains	611 Buckeye Street, Pleasant Plains IL 62677	626-1131
(13) Riverton	710 Riverton Road, Riverton IL 62563	629-8107
(14) Rochester	700 E. Main St., Rochester IL 62563	498-7121
(15) Sherman	2215 E. Andrew Road, Sherman IL 62684	496-2213
(16) Springfield	825 E. Capitol Ave., Springfield IL 62701	788-8474
(17) Virden	317 N. Springfield Street, Virden IL 62690	965-3645
(18) Waverly	160 S. Prospect Street, Waverly IL 62692	435-2341
(19) Williamsville	9850 S. Williamsville Rd., Williamsville IL 62693	566-3311

## APPENDIX 2

### FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS SERVED BY SFD THROUGH CONTRACTS

- (1) Curran
- (2) East Side
- (3) Lake Springfield
- (4) North Side
- (5) South Lawn
- (6) South Oak Knolls
- (7) South Side
- (8) Western
- (9) Woodside