Emergency Operations Plan

North Slope Borough
and
Communities

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NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 27-2008

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE NORTH SLOPE
BOROUGH EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

WHEREAS, the planning for, creation of, and adherence to a plan that
provides guidance in mitigating, preparing for, responding to, and recovering from
emergencies and disasters threatening life or property within the North Slope Borough is
essential to providing for a prompt and effective response to any emergency situation; and

WHEREAS, there is created under NSBMC §2.32.070(A) a Disaster
Assistance Agency within the Department of Administration and Finance; and

WHEREAS, NSBMC §2.32.070(C) states that the Disaster Assistance
Agency shall prepare and maintain a Borough Emergency Plan and keep it current; and

WHEREAS, the North Slope Borough participated jointly in the planning
process with other local agencies within the Borough to prepare an Emergency Plan,
called the Emergency Operations Plan, Volume I; and

WHEREAS, NSBMC §2.32.070(F) states that the basic Emergency Plan,
and all amendments shall be submitted to the Mayor, and the Mayor shall submit the plan
to the Assembly for approval; and

WHEREAS, this Emergency Operations Plan Volume I was approved by
the Mayor on July 10, 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Slope Borough hereby adopts the North Slope Borough
Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Volume I approved by the Mayor as an official
emergency plan; and

That the plan will take effect 30 days following the date of approval of this
resolution.

INTRODUCED: September 9, 2008

ADOPTED: September 9, 2008

C. Eugene Brower, President
Date: 09/09/08
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ATTEST:

Sheila H. Burke
Sheila H. Burke, Borough Clerk
Date: Sept. 9, 2008

Edward S. Itta, NSB Mayor
Date: 9/9/08
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PREAMBLE

The premise of this Emergency Operations Plan is that it will be activated in the event of an impending or actual disaster in one or more North Slope Borough (NSB) communities. In most instances an "emergency" is an event in which a community has some ability to respond. A "disaster" however, is an event that greatly exceeds the response capability of the community. For example, a house fire might be considered an emergency, but a fire spreading to several structures or more could be considered a disaster in many rural communities. Likewise, a two-hour power outage in a village is a commonly occurring emergency. However, the total failure or destruction of a village power plant, particularly during winter months, would be considered a disaster and would require response effort from outside the community.

The procedures outlined in this guideline are for response to DISASTERS. IF YOUR COMMUNITY IS EXPERIENCING AN "EMERGENCY," FOLLOW THE PROCEDURES THAT ARE NORMALLY USED IN YOUR COMMUNITY. When in doubt as to whether your community is experiencing an "emergency" or a "disaster," contact the North Slope Borough Disaster Coordinator's Office (907-852-0248) as outlined in this document. Each community has its own emergency plan and should follow the local plan until local capability is exceeded.
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HOW TO USE THIS
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

While no plan can replace the common sense and good judgment of personnel required to manage a disaster emergency, this Emergency Operations Plan provides a system to manage the preparation for, mitigation of, response to, and recovery from disaster emergencies.

The Emergency Operations Plan is divided into four volumes. Each volume is divided into sections.

VOLUME ONE – ADMINISTRATIVE OVERVIEW

This Volume provides the user with the following information:

- Emergency Management
- Emergency Operations Plan Management
- Geographic and Demographic Characteristics
- Hazard Information and Assessment

VOLUME TWO – EMERGENCY OPERATIONS GUIDE

This Volume is the response or operational portion of the plan. In it can be found specific information and guidelines for those functions and activities that are found to be common to all disaster emergencies. These include:

- Hazard Specific Checklists
- Disaster Declaration and Reporting
- Incident Command System
- Public Information
- Communications
- Alert and Warning
- Evacuation
- Shelter and Feeding
- Health and Medical Services
- Resource Management and Coordination
- Organizing for Special Incidents
- Telephone Call List
- Grant and Financial Management
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VOLUME THREE – EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER GUIDE

This Volume provides guidance in the designing, set-up, and operation of the Borough Emergency Operations Center. Information is included on the following topics:

- Emergency Operations Center-Requirements, Configuration, and Supplies
- Communications Center-Description, Operations, Position Descriptions
- Message Center-Descriptions, Operations, Position Descriptions
- Incident Command Functional Sections Descriptions
- Development of the Incident Action Plan
- Resource Ordering Process
- Organizing for Special Incidents

VOLUME FOUR – COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLANS
(UNDER DEVELOPMENT)

This Volume contains the emergency plans for the following communities:

- City of Anaktuvuk Pass
- City of Atqasuk
- City of Barrow
- City of Kaktovik
- City of Nuiqsut
- City of Point Hope
- City of Wainwright
- Community of Point Lay

VOLUME FIVE – RESOURCE MANUAL
(UNDER DEVELOPMENT)
INSTRUCTIONS TO PLAN HOLDER

It is intended for this Emergency Operations Plan to be placed in binders to facilitate making changes. When any page is revised, or a page is removed or added, the change will be documented on the log below. Only the Disaster Coordinator, who is responsible for the maintenance of this plan, can make official changes to the document. The North Slope Borough Local Emergency Planning Committee should review proposed changes and submit recommendations for changes or additions.

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PLAN REVIEW CYCLE

The Emergency Operations Plan will be reviewed and amended, if necessary:

- whenever the Plan fails in an emergency,
- based upon lessons learned during an exercise or actual disaster, and
- at least once per year.

The Disaster Coordinator, with the assistance of the North Slope Borough Local Emergency Planning Committee will determine if changes to the Plan are necessary. The Disaster Coordinator will be responsible for ensuring that revisions are incorporated into all controlled copies of the Plan.
TRAINING AND EXERCISES

Training and exercises are vital to determine the effectiveness of this Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). These preparedness activities ensure that the operational concepts outlined are sound and that personnel are adequately trained to carry out necessary functions in time of disaster emergencies. In addition, such testing will provide a basis for the updating and revision of this EOP and for the identification of inadequate resources.

Training and exercises will be evaluated by participants and observers and specific elements of the EOP changed as indicated.

North Slope Borough departments, various agencies and organizations, and the Local Emergency Planning Committee will work with the Disaster Coordinator to develop and coordinate the delivery of on-going disaster training and educational programs and to develop and implement annual exercises of this Emergency Operations Plan.

This EOP is designed to be used as a training outline to cover much of the above requirements.
LETTER OF PROMULGATION

Government at all levels has the responsibility to plan for and respond to disaster emergencies resulting from hazards that are known to threaten the jurisdiction. In view of this fact, the North Slope Borough has established a Disaster Coordinator’s Office for regional disaster planning, mitigation, response, and recovery. Disaster emergencies may require the borough to operate in a manner different from normal, day-to-day routines and may seriously over-extend borough resources.

The purpose of the North Slope Borough Emergency Operations Plan is to focus on pre-planning and allow for a graduated or tailored response to a disaster emergency that requires coordination among departments, agencies, and jurisdictions.

This Emergency Operations Plan has been adopted by Resolution of the North Slope Borough Assembly on September 9th, 2008. This plan replaces and supersedes any previous Emergency Operations Plan of the North Slope Borough.

All borough staff should become familiar with this plan and their respective roles and responsibilities during a disaster emergency that affects our communities. All borough staff and citizens should become familiar with family and home emergency planning and preparedness to help in keeping their homes safe and secure.

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Mayor  Date
North Slope Borough  Oct 06, 08

__________________________  _________________________
Clerk  Date
North Slope Borough  Oct 13, 08

ATTEST:
AUTHORITIES

This Emergency Operations Plan is adopted by the North Slope Borough under the following borough, state, and federal authorities:

Borough
- North Slope Borough Assembly Resolution 27-2008

State
- AS 26 Chapter 20 (Civil Defense Act)
- AS 26 Chapter 23 (Alaska Disaster Act)
- AS 29 Chapter 25 (Emergency Ordinances)
- AS 29 Chapter 35 (Emergency Disaster Powers)
- AS 46 Chapter 9 (Hazardous Substance Release Control)
- Joint Federal, State and Local Government Spill Response Plan
- Governor's Executive Order #170

Federal
- PL 81-920 (Civil Defense Act of 1950 as amended)
- PL 93-288 (Disaster Act of 1974)
- PL 96-342 (Improved Civil Defense 1980)
- Title III, Superfund Amendments and Re-authorization Act of 1986
- Presidential Directives 5, 8
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EXCERPT FROM THE NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH CODE OF ORDINANCES

CHAPTER 2.32: CIVIL DEFENSE AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

§ 2.32.010 INTENT AND PURPOSE.

(A) It is the intent and purpose of this chapter to provide for the complete and efficient utilization of the North Slope Borough's personnel, facilities and equipment in the event of natural or man made disasters and disasters resulting from enemy actions, and to provide for the coordination of disaster and civil defense functions of the North Slope Borough with all other public agencies and affected private persons, corporations and organizations.

(B) The North Slope Borough Disaster Coordination Office will be the coordinating agency for all activity in connection with civil defense and other disaster operations; it will be the instrument through which the Borough Mayor may exercise the authority and discharge the responsibilities vested in him by AS Chapter 20 (Civil Defense) and Chapter 23 (Alaska Disaster Act) of Title 26, as amended, and this chapter.

(C) This chapter will not relieve the Borough of the moral responsibilities or authority given to it by law, nor will it adversely affect the work of any volunteer agency organized for relief in disaster emergencies.

(75 Code, § 2.32.010) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.020 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

ATTACK. A direct or indirect assault against the Borough, its government, its environs or of the nation by forces of a hostile nation or the agents thereof, including assault by bombing, radiological, chemical or biological warfare or sabotage.

CIVIL DEFENSE. In its broad meaning is to carry out the basic governmental functions of maintaining the public peace, health and safety during a civil emergency. This shall include plans and preparation for the protection from and relief, recovery and rehabilitation from, the effects of an attack on the Borough by the force of an enemy nation or the agents thereof, and it shall include such activities in connection with a civil emergency as defined herein. It shall not, however, include any activity that is the primary responsibility of the military forces of the United States.

CIVIL DEFENSE FORCES. The employees, equipment and facilities of all Borough and village departments, boards, institutions and commissions; and, in addition, it shall include all volunteer personnel, equipment and facilities contributed by, or obtained from, volunteer persons or agencies.
CIVIL DEFENSE VOLUNTEER. Any person duly registered, identified and appointed by the Disaster Coordination Office and assigned to participate in the civil defense activity.

CIVIL DISORDER. A public disturbance involving:

1. An act or acts of violence by one or more persons, part of an assemblage of four or more persons, which act or acts constitute a clear and present danger of, or result in damage or injury to the property of any other person or to the person of any other individual; or

2. A threat or threats of the commission of an act or acts of violence by one or more persons part of an assemblage of four or more persons having, individually or collectively, the ability of immediate execution of such threat or threats, where the performance of the threatened act or acts of violence would constitute a clear and present danger of, or would result in damage or injury to the property of any other person or to the person of any other individual.

CIVIL EMERGENCY. Means:

1. A civil disorder.

2. A disaster or man-made calamity.

COORDINATOR. The Disaster Coordinator appointed as prescribed in this chapter.

CURFEW. A prohibition against any person walking, running, loitering, standing or operating a vehicle upon any public property, alley, sidewalk, thoroughfare, vehicle parking area or vacant premises within the Borough, except as required for persons officially designated to duty with reference to the civil emergency.

DIRECTOR. The Mayor or his designee alternate duly appointed in accordance with law.

DISASTER. Includes, but is not limited to actual or threatened enemy attack, sabotage, extraordinary fire, flood, storm, earthquake, epidemic or other impending or actual calamity endangering or threatening to endanger health, life, and property of constituted government.

INTOXICATING LIQUOR. Whiskey, brandy, rum, gin, wine, ale, port, beer and all other spirituous, vinous, malt and other fermented or distilled liquors intended or used for human consumption and containing more than 1% alcohol by volume.

REGULATION. Includes plans, programs and other emergency procedures deemed essential to civil defense.
VOLUNTEER. Contributing a service, equipment or facilities to the defense organization without remuneration.
(75 Code, § 2.32.020) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.030 SUCESSION TO OFFICE OF MAYOR.

Should the office of acting Mayor become vacant or should both the Mayor and acting Mayor is absent or unable to perform the duties of the office of the Mayor, the order of interim succession shall be determined as follows:

(A) The President of the Borough Assembly shall assume the office of acting Mayor.

(B) The Assembly member with the longest total period of tenure in office shall assume the office of acting Mayor.

(C) Should more than one Assembly member have the same total period of tenure in office, that Assembly member who received the largest number of votes at the last election at which those Assembly members were elected shall assume the office of acting Mayor.
(75 Code, § 2.32.030) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.040 RESPONSIBILITY OF MAYOR CONCERNING DISASTERS.

(A) The Mayor is responsible for meeting the dangers presented by disasters to the Borough and its people.

(B) The Mayor may issue orders, proclamations and regulations to carry out the purpose of this chapter, and amend or rescind them. These orders, proclamations and regulations have the force of law.

(C) An order, proclamation or regulation issued under this chapter shall be disseminated promptly by means calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public and, unless prevented or impeded by circumstances attendant upon the disaster, a copy will be filed with the Borough Clerk and any city clerks within the jurisdiction.
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(D) A condition of disaster emergency shall be declared by proclamation of the Mayor if he finds that a disaster has occurred or that such an occurrence is imminent or threatened. If the Assembly is not in session when a proclamation is issued, concurrently with the issuance of the proclamation, a special session of the Assembly will be requested to ratify the actions taken under this chapter. The emergency proclaimed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall terminate after seven days from the issuance of a proclamation, or upon issuance of a proclamation or resolution of the Assembly declaring that an emergency no longer exists, whichever occurs first, except that such emergency may be extended for additional periods of time as deemed necessary by resolution of the Assembly. All proclamations issued under this division shall indicate the nature of the disaster, the area or areas threatened or affected and the conditions which have brought it about or which make possible the termination of the disaster emergency. A copy of all proclamations issued under this division shall, if possible, be sent to the Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management for its information.

(E) A proclamation of a disaster emergency activates the disaster response and recovery aspects of the Borough, local and inter-jurisdictional disaster emergency plans and constitutes authority for the deployment and use of any civil defense forces to which the plan or plans apply and for use or distribution of any supplies, equipment, materials and facilities assembled, stockpiled or arranged to be made available under this chapter or any other provision of law relating to disaster emergency response.

(F) During the effective period of a disaster emergency, the Mayor is the Director of all civil defense and other unorganized forces available for emergency duty. The Mayor may delegate or assign direction authority by appropriate orders or regulations.

(G) In addition to any other powers conferred upon the Mayor by law, he may, under this chapter:

1. Suspend the provisions of any regulatory ordinance prescribing procedures for the conduct of Borough business, or the orders or regulations of any Borough department, if compliance with the provisions of the statute, order or regulation would prevent or substantially impede or delay action necessary to cope with the disaster emergency;

2. Use all the resources of the Borough government and of each political subdivision of the Borough as reasonably necessary to cope with the disaster emergency;

3. Transfer personnel or alter the functions of Borough departments and offices or units of them for the purpose of performing or facilitating the performance of disaster emergency services;

4. Subject to any applicable requirements for compensation under § 2.32.090 of this chapter, commandeer or utilize any private property, except for all news media, other than as specifically provided for in this chapter, if he considers them necessary to cope with the disaster emergency;
(5) Direct and compel the relocation of all or part of the population from any stricken or threatened area in the Borough, if he considers relocation necessary for the preservation of life or for other disaster-mitigation purposes;

(6) Prescribe routes, modes of transportation and destinations in connection with necessary relocation;

(7) Control ingress to and egress from a disaster area, the movement of persons within the area and the occupancy of premises in it;

(8) Suspend or limit the sale, dispensing or transportation of alcoholic beverages, firearms, ammunition, explosives and combustibles;

(9) Make provisions for the availability and use of temporary emergency housing;

(10) Impose a curfew upon all or any portion of the Borough thereby requiring all persons in those designated and restricted curfew areas to remove themselves from public property, streets, alleys, sidewalks, thoroughfares, vehicle parking areas or other public places except that physicians, nurses and paramedical personnel performing essential medical services, utility personnel maintaining essential public services, firefighters, members of the news media upon showing of authorized press cards, civil defense volunteers and Borough, village and state-authorized law enforcement officers and personnel may be exempted from such curfew. The curfew may be applicable to any such hours of the day or night as the Mayor deems necessary in the interest of public safety and welfare; and

(11) Allocate, ration or redistribute food, water, fuel, clothing and other items he deems necessary.

(H) The Mayor may obtain vital supplies, equipment and other properties found lacking and needed for the protection of the health, life and property of the people, and bind the borough for the fair value thereof.

(I) The Mayor shall order civil defense forces to the aid of other communities when required in accordance with the statutes of the state and be may request the state or a political subdivision of the state to send aid to the North Slope Borough in case of disaster when conditions in the Borough are beyond the control of local civil defense forces.

(75 Code, § 2.32.040) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.050 VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES.

It is a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed the sum of $500 or by imprisonment for a term not to exceed six months or both, for any person during a proclaimed disaster emergency to willfully:
Administrative Overview

(A) Obstruct, hinder or delay any accredited member of the disaster and civil defense organization in the enforcement of any lawful rule or regulation issued pursuant to this chapter, or in the performance of any duty imposed upon him by virtue of this chapter;

(B) Do any act forbidden by any lawful rule or regulation issued pursuant to this chapter, if that act is of such a nature as to give, or be likely to give assistance to the enemy, or to imperil the lives or property of inhabitants of the Borough, or to prevent, hinder or delay the defense or protection thereof; or

(C) To wear, carry or display, without authority, any means of identification specified by the Disaster Assistance Agency or the Alaska Division of Emergency Services.
(75 Code, § 2.32.050) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.060 DISASTER ASSISTANCE AGENCY; CREATION.

(A) There is created a disaster assistance agency within the Department of Administration and Finance possessing the powers and duties set out in § 2.32.070.

(B) The Mayor shall appoint a Disaster Assistance Coordinator within the Department of Administration and Finance who shall be a person well-versed and trained in planning operations involving the activities of many different agencies which will operate to protect the public health, safety and welfare in the event of danger from enemy action or disaster as defined in this chapter.

(C) The Disaster Assistance Agency, once approved by the Governor, will function as the interjurisdictional disaster agency for all political subdivisions within the North Slope Borough as defined in AS 26.23.060.
(75 Code, § 2.32.060) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83; Am. Ord. 91-08, passed 10-8-91; Am. Ord. 76-2-3, passed 5-06-03)

§ 2.32.070 RESPONSIBILITIES OF DISASTER ASSISTANCE AGENCY.

(A) The Disaster Assistance Agency will be within the Department of Administration and Finance and under the direction of the Mayor. There shall be an executive head of the Disaster Assistance Agency, the Coordinator and such assistants and other employees as are deemed necessary for the proper functions of the Agency. The Coordinator may also be referred to as the Civil Defense Director.

(B) The Coordinator shall be responsible to the Mayor in regard to all phases of the civil defense activity in the Borough under the direction of the Mayor. The Coordinator shall maintain liaison with the state and federal authorities and the authorities of other nearby political subdivisions so as to insure the most effective operation of the emergency preparedness plan.
(C) The Disaster Assistance Agency shall prepare and maintain a Borough emergency plan and keep it current. The plan may include provisions for:

(1) Prevention and minimization of injury and damage caused by disasters;

(2) Prompt and effective response to disasters;

(3) Emergency relief;

(4) Recommendations for zoning, building and other land use controls, safety measures for securing mobile homes and other nonpermanent or semi-permanent structures and other preventive and preparedness measures designed to eliminate, reduce or mitigate disasters or their impact;

(5) Assistance to local officials in designing local emergency action plans and standard operating procedures;

(6) Authorization and procedures for the construction of temporary works designed to protect against or mitigate danger, damage or loss from disaster;

(7) Preparation and distribution to the appropriate local officials of catalogs or extracts listing federal, state, Borough and private assistance programs;

(8) Organization of manpower and chains of command;

(9) Coordination of federal, state and local disaster activities;

(10) Coordination of the Borough emergency plan with the disaster plans of the state government; and

(11) Other matters necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(D) In preparing and maintaining the Borough emergency plan, the Disaster Assistance Agency shall seek the advice and assistance of local government, business, labor, industry, agriculture, civic and volunteer organizations and community leaders.

(E) The borough emergency plan or any part of it may be incorporated in regulations or orders of the Disaster Assistance Agency. Regulations and orders of the Disaster Assistance Agency have the force of the law when properly promulgated by the Mayor in accordance with § 2.32.040.
(F) The basic plan and all amendments shall be submitted to the Mayor. If approved after coordination with all local jurisdictions involved, the Mayor will submit the plan and its amendments to the Assembly for its approval. The plan and any amendments will take effect 30 days from the date of approval unless action is taken by the Assembly disapproving the Mayor’s submission. In the event the plan or an amendment is pending at the time a disaster is proclaimed under the provisions of this chapter, the plan or amendment will be considered approved immediately and will remain effective unless specifically revoked by the Assembly.

(G) The Disaster Assistance Agency shall:

1. Coordinate the recruitment of volunteer personnel and agencies to augment the personnel and facilities of the Borough for civil defense purposes;

2. Develop and coordinate plans for the immediate use of the facilities, equipment, manpower and other resources of the Borough for the purposes of minimizing or preventing damage to persons and property, and protecting and restoring to usefulness governmental services and public utilities necessary for the public health, safety and welfare;

3. Negotiate and conclude agreements with owners or persons in control of buildings or other property for the use of such buildings or other property for civil defense purposes and designating suitable buildings as public shelters;

4. Through public information programs, educate the public as to actions necessary and required for the protection of their persons and property in case of enemy attack or disaster, as defined in § 2.32.020, either impending or present;

5. Conduct public practice alerts and training to insure the efficient operation of civil defense forces and to familiarize residents with civil defense procedures, regulations and operations;

6. Coordinate the activity of all other public and private agencies engaged in civil defense activities;

7. Determine requirements of the Borough and its political subdivisions for food, clothing and other necessities in the event of a disaster emergency:

8. Procure and preposition supplies, medicines, materials and equipment;

9. Adopt standards and requirements for local disaster plans and standing operating procedures;

10. Provide for mobile support units;

11. Determine requirements and standards for local disaster communications;
(12) Make surveys of industries, resources and facilities in the Borough, both public and private, as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter;

(13) Establish a register of persons with types of training and skills important in disaster prevention, preparedness, response and recovery skills;

(14) Establish a resource manual of mobile and construction equipment, temporary housing and other resources available for use in a disaster emergency;

(15) Prepare for issuance by the Mayor, orders, proclamations and regulations, as necessary or appropriate, in coping with disasters;

(16) Develop and carry out procedures and policies to effectively employ disaster relief funds made available by the Mayor’s authority or by special legislative action. These procedures shall include application and documentation disaster victims or applicants, review, verification and funding approval and processing of appeals; and

(17) Do other things necessary or proper for the implementation of this chapter, including assuming such authority and conducting such activity as the Mayor may direct to promote and execute the emergency plan.

("75 Code, § 2.32.070) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83; Am. Ord. 91-08, passed 10-8-91; Am. Ord. 76-2-3, passed 5-06-03)

§ 2.32.080 FINANCING.

(A) It is the intent of the Assembly and the administration, and declared to be the policy of the Borough, that funds to meet disaster emergencies will always be available.

(B) Whenever, and to the extent that money is needed to cope with disaster, the first recourse shall be to funds regularly appropriated to local agencies. If money available from these sources is insufficient, the Mayor may, notwithstanding any limitation imposed by local ordinance, transfer or spend money appropriated for other purposes or, in situations involving natural or manmade disasters, borrow from the state or federal government or other public or private sources for a term not to exceed one year.

(C) Nothing in this section limits the Mayor’s authority to apply for, receive, administer and spend grants, gifts or payments from any source, to aid in disaster prevention, preparedness response or recovery.

(75 Code, § 2.32.080) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.090 COMPENSATION.

(A) No personal services may be compensated by the Borough or any political subdivision or agency of it, except in accordance with Alaska law or local ordinance.
(B) Compensation for property shall be made only if the property was commandeered or otherwise used in coping with a disaster emergency, and its use or destruction was ordered by the Mayor or by a member of the disaster emergency forces of this Borough who is authorized by the Disaster Assistance Agency to issue such an order.

(C) Any person claiming compensation for the use, damage, loss or destruction of property occasioned by action taken under this chapter shall file a claim for that compensation with the Disaster Assistance Agency in the form and manner required by that office.

(D) Unless the amount of compensation resulting from property damaged, lost or destroyed is agreed upon in writing between the claimant and the disaster assistance agency, the amount of compensation shall be calculated in the same manner as compensation due for taking of property under the condemnation laws of the state.

(E) The Borough shall provide for the payment of compensation and death benefits to injured members of the civil defense forces of the Borough or the representatives of the deceased members of those forces in the event those members sustain injuries or are killed while rendering aid under this chapter, provided those members are not already covered by a comparable form of insurance or health benefits plan.

(75 Code, § 2.32.090) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.100 GOVERNMENTAL OR PRIVATE LIABILITY.

(A) This chapter is an exercise by the Borough of its governmental functions for the protection of the public peace, health and safety, and neither the Borough, nor agents and representatives of the Borough, or any individual, receiver, firm, partnership, corporation, association or trustee, or any of the agents thereof, in good faith carrying out, complying with or attempting to comply with any order, rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, shall be liable for any damage sustained to persons or property as the result of the activity.

(B) Any person owning or controlling real estate or other premises who voluntarily and without compensation grants the Borough the right to inspect, designate and use the whole or any part or parts of such real estate or premises for the purpose of sheltering persons during an actual, impending or practice civil emergency or enemy attack shall not be civilly liable for the death of, or injury to, any persons on or about such real estate or premises under such license, privilege or other permission, or for loss of, or damage to, the property of such person.

(75 Code, § 2.32.100) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.110 DISASTER PREVENTION.
(A) In addition to the disaster prevention measures, as included in the Borough and local disaster plans, the Mayor shall consider, on a continuing basis, steps that could be taken to prevent or reduce the harmful consequences of disasters. At his direction, and under any other authority and competence they have, Borough departments, including but not limited to those charged with responsibilities in connection with floodplain management, stream encroachment and flow regulation, weather modification, fire prevention and control, air quality, public works, land use and land use planning and construction standards, shall make studies of disaster prevention-related matters. The Mayor, from time to time, shall make recommendations to the Assembly and other appropriate public and private entities as may facilitate measures for the prevention or reduction of the harmful consequences of disasters.

(B) Appropriate departments, in conjunction with the disaster assistance agency, shall keep land uses and location of other structures and facilities under continuing study, and identify areas which are particularly susceptible to severe land shifting, subsidence, flood or other catastrophic occurrence. The studies under this division shall concentrate on means of reducing or avoiding the dangers caused by this occurrence or the consequences of it.

(C) If the Disaster Assistance Agency believes, on the basis of the studies or other competent evidence and after consultation with the appropriate local planning agencies, that an area is susceptible to a disaster of catastrophic proportions without adequate warning, that existing building standards and land use controls in that area are inadequate and could add substantially to the magnitude of the disaster, and that changes in zoning regulations, other land use regulations, or building requirements are essential in order to further the purpose of this section, it shall specify the essential changes to the Mayor.

(75 Code, § 2.32.110) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.120 LIMITATIONS.

Nothing in this chapter:

(A) Interferes with or allows interference with the course or conduct of a labor dispute, except that actions otherwise authorized by this chapter or other laws may be taken when necessary to forestall or mitigate imminent or existing damage to public health or safety;

(B) Interferes with or allows interference with dissemination of news or comment on public affairs; but any communications facility or organization (including, but not limited to radio, television, wire services and newspapers) may be requested to transmit or print public service messages furnishing information or instructions in connection with a disaster emergency, in a manner which encroaches as little as possible on the normal functions of the news media;
(C) Affects the jurisdiction or responsibilities of police forces, firefighting forces, units of
the Armed Forces of the United States or of any personnel of them when on active duty;
but local disaster emergency plans shall place reliance upon the civil defense forces
available for performance of functions related to disaster emergencies;
or

(D) Limits, modifies or abridges the authority of the Mayor to proclaim martial law, or
exercise any other powers vested in him by law independent of, or in conjunction with
any provision of this chapter.
(75 Code, § 2.32.120) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.130 ADMINISTRATION.

This chapter shall be administered by the Disaster Assistance Agency, which is
responsible to and which may receive delegations of authority from the Mayor.
(75 Code, § 2.32.130) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.140 CIVIL DEFENSE ADVISORY BOARD.

(A) The Mayor may establish and appoint members to a Civil Defense Advisory Board.

(B) This Board will provide advice and assistance in the establishment of a viable
disaster preparedness program within the Borough. Membership of the Board will
include the Mayor, or his designated representative, the disaster assistance coordinator,
a member of the Assembly and members selected from each jurisdiction within the
Borough, the business community and the general public.
(75 Code, § 2.32.140) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)

§ 2.32.150 SUSPENSION OF CONFLICTING ORDERS, RULES, ORDINANCES AND
REGULATIONS.

At all times when the orders, rules and regulations made and promulgated pursuant to
this chapter are in effect, they shall supersede all existing ordinances, orders, rules and
regulations insofar as the latter may be inconsistent therewith.
(75 Code, § 2.32.150) (Ord. 76-2-2, passed 11-15-83)
PLAN PURPOSE AND EXECUTIVE APPROVAL STATEMENT

The purpose of the North Slope Borough Emergency Operations Plan is to describe the management system that will be utilized to manage the mitigation of, preparation for, response to, and recovery from natural and manmade disaster emergencies. It is an all-hazard, all-risk plan using the National Incident Management System Incident Command System (NIMS/ICS) for comprehensive management of disaster emergency relief forces and disaster emergency operations. The North Slope Borough Emergency Operations Plan consists of four volumes:

1. Administrative Overview
2. Emergency Operations Guide
3. Emergency Operations Center Guide
4. Community Emergency Plans (under development)

This document is intended to meet disaster emergency planning requirements of all federal, state, and borough agencies having jurisdiction over such matters. This plan is based on the National Incident Management System (NIMS) recommendations in effect at the time of adoption, State of Alaska guidelines for disaster planning and operations, Federal and State Departments of Homeland Security recommendations and the current Joint Federal, State and Local Contingency Plan for Oil and Hazardous Substances Spills. It is further intended that this document be used as a reference and training aid for municipal, village, industry, and other emergency response personnel to ensure efficient and effective response and management of disaster emergencies.

This Emergency Operations Plan will be activated whenever there is a disaster emergency that could significantly threaten human health, property or the environment, and is determined to exceed local capacity. Further this plan may be used during pre-planned special events as a management tool and to facilitate inter-agency coordination and activities.

Upon declaration of a disaster emergency, the designated person responsible for disaster emergency management is authorized to commit the resources necessary to carry out the provisions of this plan as may be specified in the delegation of authority or disaster declaration.

Mayor, North Slope Borough

Date

Oct. 06, 08