

Intrastate Mutual Aid Subcommittee
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Honorable John Bel Edwards
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Dear Governor Edwards:

In accordance with L.R.S. 29:739, I am pleased to submit this report on the 2016 activities of the Intrastate Mutual Aid Subcommittee (IMAS). The Intrastate Mutual Aid Compact (IMAC) establishes a system of mutual aid between parishes for the response to, and recovery from, emergencies that exceed a single parish's resources.

The subcommittee endeavors this year have resulted in the creation of situational boards within WebEOC dedicated to assigning, tracking, and updating IMAC missions. The subcommittee is further endeavoring to enhance and streamline the mission boards to make them more intuitive and available to a wider group of authorized participants.

The subcommittee is working toward identifying a standard by which Emergency Medical Services (EMS) from the various parishes would adhere to when assisting outside of their regular jurisdiction. This standard will be verified, articulated, and integrated into the IMAC Boards within WebEOC as a requirement for cross jurisdictional assistance.

The subcommittee discussed fostering the development of mission ready packages (MRPs) within parishes based upon likely emergency scenarios as well as historical precedence of events. This action would assist in preparedness as well as response between parishes using IMAC.

Upon accomplishing some of the enhancements mentioned above, IMAC may well be able to supplant Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs) as a more standardized tool for mutual assistance. No single city or parish can maintain every resource that may be required in response to an incident; by effective planning and collaboration between parishes, we will be better prepared to meet future challenges. We appreciate your continued support of our efforts.

Respectfully,

Terry Guidry
Chairman
Intrastate Mutual Aid Subcommittee