

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Emergency Management

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Mission

NJDEP Emergency Management consists of programs committed **24/7/365** to ensure the safety of the people of New Jersey and protect the environment during **all-hazard** emergency situations by supporting the network of DEP responders and working closely with federal, state, county, and local partners.

Responsibilities

- Function as the NJDEP's Emergency Management Coordinator and primary point of contact for NJESF-3 and NJESF-10 to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management (NJOEM) and other agencies (county, state, and federal) for all threats and hazards.
- Coordinate the DEP's internal network of program-level Emergency Response Coordinators to provide subject matter expertise when needed.
- Oversee the DEP Communications Center, which handles the intake and referral for the DEP Hotline, as well as the radio dispatch and support for DEP law enforcement and other program users.
- **Deploy field responders (boots-on-the-ground)** to assess and remediate incidents that impact public health and the environment; provide state-level on scene coordination for all-hazard emergencies.
- Coordinate planning, response, and recovery activities for the DEP at the State Emergency Operations Center and DEP Emergency Operations Center.

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Sectors / Areas of Interest under DEP

Critical Infrastructure Sectors:



Water



Wastewater



Dams



Chemical & Hazardous Materials



Petroleum



Nuclear

DEP Areas of Interest:



Beaches



Shellfish Areas



State Parks



Solid & Hazardous Waste



Radiological

Recent Responses - 2023

- 23-02-02-0815-28 Buckeye Port Reading Terminal Tank Roof Collapse, Woodbridge, Middlesex
- 23-02-09-1404-21 Compounders Marl Road Drums, Howell, Monmouth
- 23-02-16-0804-28 Chemours Difluoroethylene Release, Pennsville, Salem
- 23-03-10-0414-48 Covanta Recycling Acetylene Tank Fire, Camden, Camden
- 23-03-25-0300-41 Trinseo Acrylic Polymer Spill, Delaware River, Bristol, PA
- 23-04-11-1723-26 Reliable Paper Recycling Facility 7-Alarm Fire, Jersey City, Hudson
- 23-05-09-1308-03 Valtris Chlorine Release, Swedesboro, Gloucester
- 23-05-12-0721-05 Chemours Vinylidene Fluoride Release, Pennsville, Salem
- 23-05-18-0423-39 4-Alarm Warehouse Fire, Hamilton, Mercer
- April/May/June 2023 Multiple NJ Wildfires
- June 2023 Air Quality Alerts resulting from Canadian Wildfires
- 23-06-14-0057-08 7-Alarm Warehouse Fire, South River, Middlesex
- 23-07-06-0023-38 Port Newark Vessel Fire, Port Newark, Essex

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