

## **IDAHO STATE POLICE**

The nature of a hazardous materials incident requires that response be provided by multiple jurisdictions within the state. The mutual cooperation and support of all agencies is vital to the successful outcome of any such event.

The Idaho State Police (ISP) has the statutory duty, pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2901 (5), to (a) enforce all the penal and regulatory laws of the state; (b) require the persons using the highways to do so carefully; and (c) protect the physical portions of the highways and enforce laws promoting highway safety. Additionally, Idaho Code Section 67-2901 (5) (d) charges the ISP with the enforcement of the motor carrier safety and hazardous materials rules.

A member of the ISP is frequently the first law enforcement officer to arrive at the scene of a hazardous material incident on the highways of the State of Idaho. Upon notification of any hazardous material incident, ISP will respond according to its established procedure(s). ISP will provide a Transportation Enforcement Coordinator (TEC).

The Transportation Enforcement Coordinator (TEC), appointed by the Incident Commander, is responsible for overseeing the investigation of the accident/incident relative to enforcement of transportation regulations. The TEC must possess the capability and authority to enforce the code of federal regulations and applicable state laws and rules that govern the transportation of hazardous materials. Providing support to the Incident Commander, the TEC's primary concerns include protection of the accident/incident scene, obtaining information and collecting evidence necessary to support civil and/or criminal proceedings.

The Law Enforcement Coordinator (LEC), appointed by the Incident Commander, is responsible for assisting and coordinating law enforcement issues with the local jurisdictions and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The LEC will be responsible to coordinate crime scene control, evidence, witness information, and other associated crime scene actions as would be appropriate. The LEC will normally come from ISP Investigations. When the FBI arrives on scene the LEC will work with them and continue to coordinate the law enforcement activities between all jurisdictions.

Idaho Code Title 39-7105, the Hazardous Substance Emergency Response Act identifies the ISP as the Local Emergency Response Authority (LERA) unless the local jurisdiction appoints one. Where designated, or by default, the ISP will conduct the duties of the LERA as identified under Idaho Code. ISP will assist other LERA's with these responsibilities when requested.

The ISP employs six (6) Hazardous Materials Specialists, and fourteen (14) Commercial Vehicle Safety (CVS) Specialists who are specially trained in motor carrier enforcement including hazardous materials and radioactive material response. ISP supervisors with the rank of Sergeant through Major are trained to the OSHA Operations level and Incident Command 400 level. All patrol officers are trained to the OSHA Operations level and Incident Command 200 level.

In the event the Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security (BHS) is not available, the ISP will perform as Communications Moderator for radiological incidents.

A telephone call to any ISP District office can initiate the ISP response. Verification of a hazardous materials incident will immediately be relayed to ISP Headquarters Staff in Meridian 208-884-7200. The appropriate response plans, local and/or state-wide, would be initiated.

NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FOR RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS OR DANGEROUS CHEMICALS

- I. Incident Occurs
- II. Regional Communications Center Notified
  - a. Officer(s) are dispatched to the scene;
  - b. Officer(s) determines if hazardous materials (chemical or radiological) are involved.
- III. If the officer at the scene determines that hazardous materials are involved he/she will advise the ISP Regional Communications Center as appropriate.
- IV. The ISP Regional Communications Center will notify StateComm 800-632-8000 and other ISP Regional Communications Centers as appropriate.
- V. StateComm will notify the appropriate agencies to initiate a classification conference call.
- VI. The Regional Communications Centers will follow current ISP hazardous material response policy for appropriate notification of Idaho State Police personnel.

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| ISP Headquarters Meridian (8 – 5 Mon. through Fri.) | 884-7200       |
| ISP District 1 Coeur d'Alene (24 Hr.)               | 209-8730       |
| ISP District 2 Lewiston (24 Hr.)                    | 209-8730       |
| ISP District 3 Boise (24 Hr.)                       | 846-7550       |
| ISP District 4 Jerome (24 Hr.)                      | 736-3060       |
| ISP District 5 Pocatello (24 Hr.)                   | 236-6066       |
| ISP District 6 Idaho Falls (24 Hr.)                 | 525-7277       |
| Toll Free Regional Communications Center, Boise     | 1-800-233-1212 |
| Toll Free Cellular                                  | * ISP          |

**Staff Headquarters Administration**

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| Colonel (Director of the Idaho State Police)      | 884-7200 |
| Lt. Colonel (Deputy Director)                     | 884-7200 |
| Major's (Enforcement Operations Commanders)       | 884-7200 |
| Captain [Commercial Vehicle Safety (CVS) Manager] | 884-7220 |
| Lieutenant (CVS, Deputy Commander)                | 884-7220 |