

IDAHO BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

The Idaho Bureau of Land Management (BLM) conducts various activities, which may provide assistance to emergency response personnel. For general hazardous materials incident support contact:

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The BLM HazMat Technical Response Team (HTRT) are trained and qualified to perform the following activities in Level C or Level D personal protective equipment, unless otherwise agreed upon:

1. Participate in the hazardous materials program on public lands in Idaho, consistent with the requirements of RCRA, as amended, and CERCLA, as amended, and all applicable State and Federal Regulations.
2. Participate in the State of Idaho's Hazardous Materials Incident Command and Response Support Plan.
3. Provide personnel (HTRT) experienced and trained in evaluating and responding to contamination issues, using personal protection equipment, preparing work plans, safety and health plans, collecting evidence, participating in medical monitoring, and providing Hazardous Materials training.
4. Provide assistance in performing site evaluations, preliminary assessments, site inspections, removal and remediation planning.
5. Provide assistance in performing air, soil, sediment and water sampling.
6. Provide assistance as support personnel during emergency situations (i.e. hazard characterization, decontamination, resource information, science and technical support).

Call out Procedures

The BLM's HTRT can be called into action calling StateComm **1-800-632-8000** or **208-846-7610**.

Command

The BLM's HTRT was designed to investigate and evaluate a site usually after the emergency stage is completed. The team operates under the direction of a team leader. As a support unit, the team operates under the direct authority of the on-scene Incident Commander.