

Homeland Response Force (HRF)



<u>MISSION:</u> When directed by the Secretary of Defense, coordinated by the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, and upon consent of the Governor(s) during major or catastrophic CBRN incidents, the HRF and CERFP alerts, recalls and deploys critical command and control and <u>life-</u> <u>saving</u> capabilities within six hours; on order, deploys and conducts command and control, <u>search and extraction, mass casualty</u> <u>decontamination</u>, and <u>medical stabilization</u> in order to save lives and mitigate human suffering; On order, redeploys.

KEY CHARACTERISTICS:

Designed to operate at the local, state, regional and national level

- HRF's are validated by the TAG of each State
- 80% Commercial off the shelf equipment
- HAZMAT Awareness or Operations level certified
- Total of 10 HRF's one per FEMA Region
- All members ICS 100b, 200b, 700a and 800b trained
- BDE C2 Bridges a gap between JFHQ and CBRN support units (CERFP and CST)
- CASE Force Protection for operations and general support
- Communications reach back and incident area interoperable systems
- Each component (capability) can be deployed on an individual basis or as needed basis
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HRF/CERFP Communications Support



- C2-level communications is supported by NG Joint Incident Site Communications Capability (JISCC) Block 3 system assets:
 - Access to commercial Internet, NIPRNET, and SIPRNET data services
 - Access to public/commercial and military telephony services
 - Reach-back access to NG support services
 - Voice/Radio interoperability with other incident-area military and civilian response partner agencies
 - Dedicated wired/wireless local area networks
 - Beyond line of sight High Frequency (HF) radio support
 - Other capabilities Video Teleconference, fax, integration with user expansion packages
- Additional Capabilities and Equipment include:
 - Unit-level tactical radio communications support (e.g., handheld devices, repeaters)
 - Laptop computer devices
 - Shared Situational Awareness (SSA)/
 Common Operating Picture (COP) support





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CBRN Assistance Support Element (CASE)



- Primary Capabilities
 - Maintain integrity of DECON corridor
 - Assist in casualty, and fatalities movements
 - Provide controls at Hot Zone entry and exit points
 - Maintain force protections for uninterrupted CERFP/CBRN TF footprint operations
 - General support assists with riot control

All CASE members trained and certified to the HAZMAT Operations Level (CFR 1910-120 / NFPA 472)





