

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.

Sectors / Areas of Interest under DEP

Critical Infrastructure Sectors:



Water

Wastewater



Dams





Chemical & Hazardous Materials



Petroleum

Nuclear



DEP Areas of Interest:



Shellfish Areas



State Parks



Solid & **Hazardous Waste**



Radiological

Responses since 07/12/2023 RRT Meeting

- 23-07-26-1004-25 Mystery Oil Spill (UST), Somerville, Somerset
- 23-08-07-1234-54 Rt 33 Unknown Drum Spill (Corrosive), Howell, Monmouth
- 23-09-09-1732-54 Burlington Coat Factory UST Spill, Montville, Morris
- 23-09-26-1444-36 Truck Fire/Diesel Spill, Manalapan, Monmouth
- 23-10-19-1017-44 Johanna Foods Ammonia Release, Raritan, Hunterdon
- 23-10-25-0852-05 Messinas Garlic Oil Spill, Franklin, Warren
- 23-10-31-1216-21 Maersk Visby Furfuryl Alcohol Spill, Port Newark Container Terminal, Essex
- 23-11-03-1618-11 VA Hospital Laboratory Unknown Air Release, East Orange, Essex





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