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Mary Fields welcomed everyone to the conference call. During the call, questions should be e-mailed to Gerri Husband at: ghusband@dhs.in.gov and they would be addressed later in the call or sent to the appropriate person for a response.

**Planning and Grants Management Division:**
Mary Fields:
- The IN Homeland Security Foundation grant will open sometime in 2012. No date yet.

**Training and Exercise Division:**
Ashlee Grisel:
- Introduction to EM and Damage Assessment courses for February are FULL.
- **Upcoming Courses**
  - MGT 322 Preparedness for Food and Agricultural Incidents (March 6-7, 2012)
  - HSEEP (March 27-29, 2012)
  - Management for EM (April 10-12, 2012)
  - Debris Management (May 15-17, 2012)

**Field Services Division**
Jenna Rossio:
2012 District Training Courses

**February**
- 1-2: ICS 300 next week at the Bloomington Public Safety Training Facility this course is full.
ICS 400 next week is filling quickly at Bloomington Public Safety Training Facility is still available.

March
- 13-17: At the Point of the Sphere course
- 15-16: Scenario Based Executive level
- 20-23: All Hazards Planning Section Chief course
- 27-March 2: All Hazards Incident Commander Course

March
- 5-9: All-Hazards Public Information Officer
- 6-7: Scenario Based Executive Level Training at the Vanderburgh County EMA
- 12-13: All-Hazards Liaison Officer
- 12-13: ICS 300 at the Northeast Public Safety Academy
- 14-15: ICS 400 at the Northeast Public Safety Academy
- 19-22: All Hazards Safety Officer at the Fishers Fire Department
- 26-28: All-Hazards Division Group Supervisor

April
- 2-3: Ambulance Strike Team Med. Task Force Leader
- 12-13: Dist. Response Task Force Mobilization & Deployment

All of these courses have been posted to the IDHS training calendar, and please continue to check the calendar for additional courses. Please contact Jenna Rossio, District Training Coordinator, with any questions. Phone: 317-234-7730 jrossio@dhs.in.gov

Additional Info: Jenna Rossio is now in charge of the ICS courses and contact info is on the website. New procedure information will be sent out today. NIMS section will be updated as soon as possible. If you have questions please contact Jenna Rossio. Switzerland County suggested all courses be placed in one area, Amy Lindsey responded that all courses would be cross-referenced in the future.

Randy Collins:
- Encouraged all to participate in the Point of the Sphere course

Chip Sunier:
- February 11 & 15, Ice Rescue Awareness class is full on 2/11.

Bill Update
George Thompson:
- SB 255 – sponsored by Sen. Wyss and Sen. Arnold the bill addresses LEPC Funds and State Disaster Relief Fund. The Emergency Response commission would gain the authority to allocate funds to the LEPC that does the required inspections. The State Disaster Relief Fund seeks authority for the executive director to grant variances to some of the rules that apply to the state disaster relief fund. This would be used to accept documentation not referenced in the rule. The bill would permit the executive director to grant funds to individuals that missed filing paperwork by a day. This bill has passed the senate.
- SB 260 State Wide Arson Investigation Assistance Fund, the funding would transfer to the Regional Fire Safety training fund, also the bill would amend elevator licenses so not all licenses expire on the same date.
- SB 371 – EMS Issues, this bill would revise certification for EMS to standardize the levels for licensing in accordance with national levels. Adjust certification for emergency medical dispatch agency.
- SB 273 relates to the State Fair stage equipment collapse, it would institute state regulation of outdoor stages.

Public Information Office
John Erickson:
- Great Central US Shakeout Feb. 7, 11:15 a.m. (EDT)
IDHS is encouraging all counties to participate and to include businesses. To register at http://www.shakeout.org for information about Indiana’s activities, Specific media events are planned throughout the state.

- Winter weather/tornado preparedness information go to: getprepared.in.gov for questions, email pio@dhs.in.gov.
- Super Bowl Joint Information Center will be located at IDHS EOC. State EOC will be moved to another location.
- Basic PIO Course Feb. 22 in Knox County In the process to schedule 10 district courses.

Other
Jennifer Tobey:
- EMAI – Jennifer will be president for the remainder of the year. If you have questions or concerns please feel free to contact her.

The next EMA Conference call will be held on **February 29, 2012** at 2:00P.M. Please remember to call in at 1:55 from a land line if at all possible to avoid extra noise.