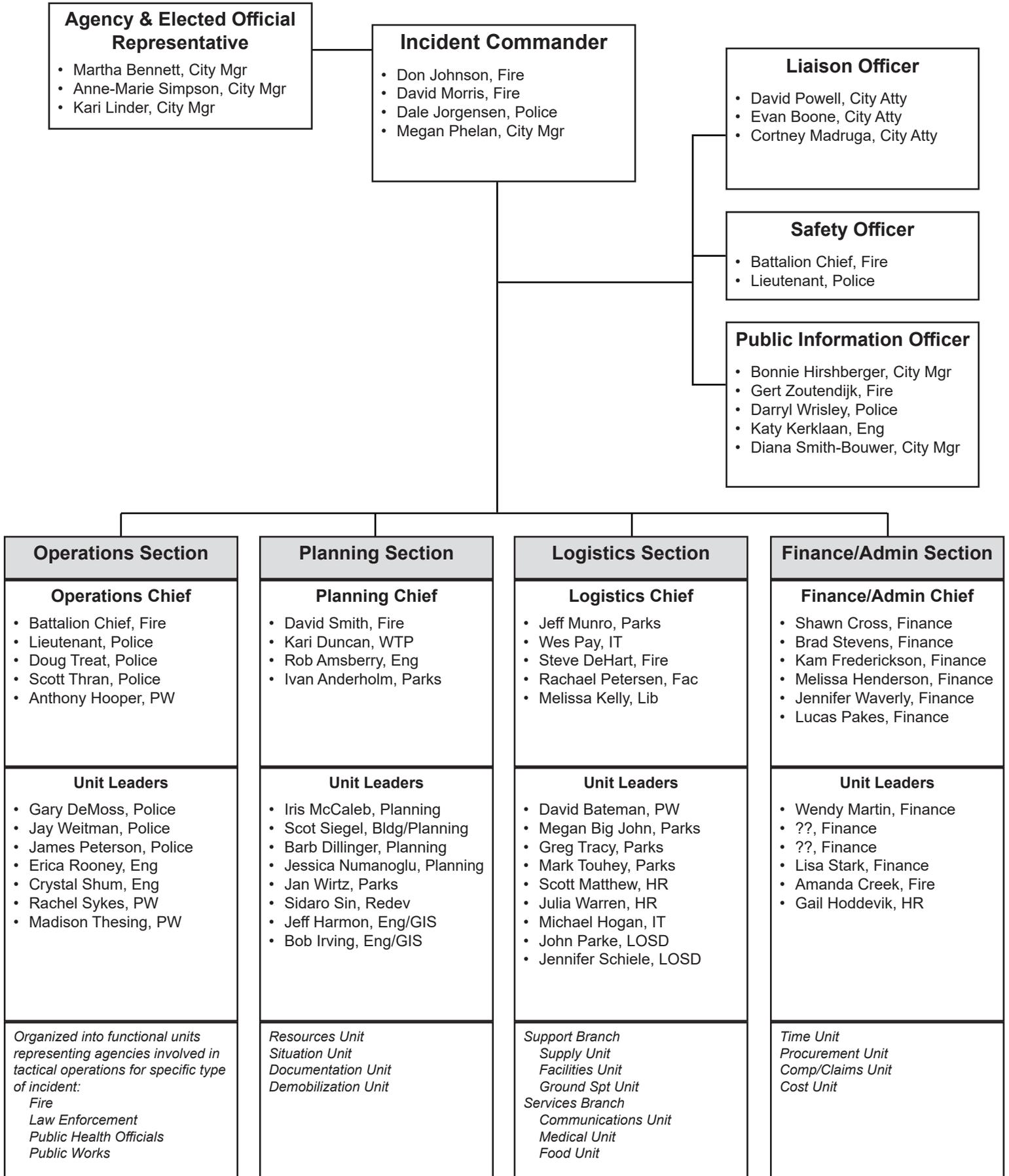


INCIDENT ORGANIZATION



Command Staff

Incident Commander

The IC is responsible for the operations of the EOC when it is activated and has overall responsibility for accomplishing the EOC mission. In general, the IC is responsible for:

- Approving and supporting implementation of an Incident Action Plan (IAP);
- Coordinating activities supporting the incident or event;
- Approving release of information through the PIO; and
- Performing the duties of the following command staff if no one is assigned to the position:
 - Safety Officer
 - PIO
 - Liaison Officer

Safety Officer

The Safety Officer is generally responsible for:

- Identifying initial hazards, determining personal protective equipment requirements, and defining decontamination areas;
- Implementing site control measures;
- Monitoring and assessing the health and safety of response personnel and support staff (including EOC staff);
- Preparing and implementing a site Health and Safety Plan and updating the IC regarding safety issues or concerns, as necessary; and
- Exercising emergency authority to prevent or stop unsafe acts.

Public Information Officer

A lead PIO will most likely coordinate and manage a larger public information network representing local, County, regional, and State agencies; tribal entities; political officials; and other emergency management stakeholders. The PIO's duties include:

- Developing and coordinating release of information to incident personnel, media, and the general public;
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- Coordinating information sharing among the public information network through the use of a Joint Information System (JIS) and, if applicable, establishing and staffing a Joint Information Center (JIC);
- Implementing information clearance processes with the IC or Emergency Manager; and
- Conducting and/or managing media briefings and implementing media-monitoring activities.

Liaison Officer

Specific liaison roles may be incorporated into the command structure established at the City and/or County EOC, depending on the type of emergency incident that has occurred. Liaisons represent entities and organizations such as hospitals, school districts, tribes, public works/utility companies, and volunteer services such as the American Red Cross. Responsibilities typically associated with a liaison role include:

- Serving as the contact point for local government officials, agency or tribal representatives, and stakeholders;
- Coordinating information and incident updates among interagency contacts, including the public information network; and
- Providing resource status updates and limitations among personnel, capabilities, equipment, and facilities to the IC, government officials, and stakeholders.

General Staff

Operations Chief

The Operations Chief position is typically filled by the lead agency managing response activities for a specific type of incident. The Operations section is organized into functional units representing agencies involved in tactical operations. The following agencies are typically included in the Operations Section:

- Fire (emergencies dealing with fire, earthquake with rescue, or hazardous materials);
- Law Enforcement (incident(s) involving civil disorder/disturbance, significant security/public safety concerns, transportation-related accidents, and/or criminal investigations);
- Public Health Officials (contamination issues, disease outbreaks, and/or emergency incidents posing threats to human, animal, and environmental health); and
- Public Works (incidents resulting in major utility disruptions, damage to critical infrastructure, and building collapse).

Private entities, companies, and NGOs may also support the Operations section.

The Operations Chief is responsible for:

- Providing organizational support and directing implementation of unit operational plans and field response activities;
- Developing and coordinating tactical operations to carry out the IAP;
- Managing and coordinating various liaisons representing community response partners and stakeholders;
- Directing IAP tactical implementation; and
- Requesting resources needed to support the IAP.

Planning Chief

The Planning section is responsible for forecasting future needs and events of the response effort while ensuring implementation of appropriate procedures and processes. This section is typically supported by four primary units: Resources, Situation, Documentation, and Demobilization. The Planning Chief is responsible for:

- Collecting, evaluating, and distributing information regarding the incident and providing a status summary;
- Preparing and disseminating the IAP;
- Conducting planning meetings and developing alternatives for tactical operations; and
- Maintaining resource status.

Logistics Chief

The Logistics section is typically supported by the units responsible for Supply, Food, Communications, Medical, Facilities, and Ground Support. Depending on the incident's type and size, these units can be divided into two branches: Service and Support. The Logistics Chief is responsible for:

- Providing and managing resources to meet the needs of incident personnel;
- Managing various coordinators of particular resources, such as transportation-related equipment, EOC staff support services, supplies, facilities, and personnel;
- Estimating future support and resource requirements; and
- Assisting with development and preparation of the IAP.

Finance/Administration

The Finance/Administration section is specific to the incident type and severity of resulting impacts. In some instances, agencies may not require assistance, or only a specific function of the section may be needed that can be staffed by a technical specialist in the Planning section. Potential units assigned to this section include: Compensation/Claims, Procurement, Cost, and Time. The Finance and Administration Chief is responsible for:

- Monitoring costs related to the incident;
- Maintaining accounting, procurement, and personnel time records; and
- Conducting cost analyses.