



# Lake County Illinois

## Legislation Text

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Resolution to approve the revised Lake County Emergency Operations Plan and accept related memoranda of understanding and agreements.

- Laws of the State of Illinois and Rules and Regulations of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency require each county to have an Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) that is reviewed and revised every two years.
- The Lake County Emergency Management Team worked over the course of last year to revise the County's EOP by simplifying and streamlining, and to the extent possible by aligning the emergency responsibilities of County Departments with their routine day-to-day duties.
- The Lake County EOP includes the written plan, functional and hazard-specific annexes, and a variety of resource documents. Resource documents include contact lists for specific equipment and materials, contact information for public and private organizations, hazard vulnerability assessments, maps, and a variety of memoranda of understanding and mutual aid agreements.
- The Illinois Emergency Management Agency has reviewed and approved the revised draft EOP for Lake County.
- Upon its formal adoption, training and exercising of the revised plan and resource materials will be conducted to evaluate and improve the County's preparedness.
- In support of the EOP, it is appropriate for Lake County to formally document our partnerships through written memoranda of understanding and agreements with related organizations, including the American Red Cross, the Metropolitan Emergency Support Services, the Illinois Emergency Management Mutual Aid System, and the Lake County All-Hazards Incident Management Team.

**WHEREAS**, Lake County maintains and operates an Emergency Management Program that includes a formal written Emergency Operations Plan and supporting documents; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Illinois through its Illinois Emergency Management Agency requires regular review and revision of Emergency Operations Plans and approves modification of such county plans; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Emergency Operations Plan has been revised locally and the revisions have been reviewed and approved by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, Lake County recognizes the importance and mutual beneficence of cooperative agreements with emergency preparedness partners; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the 2008 Revised Lake County Emergency Operations Plan, a related memorandum of understanding with the American Red Cross, a related memorandum of understanding with the Metropolitan Emergency Support Services, a related agreement with the Illinois Emergency Management Mutual Aid System, and a related memorandum of support for the Lake County All-Hazards Incident Management Team are hereby approved and adopted, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairman of this Lake County Board is hereby authorized to sign said documents on behalf of the County.

**DATED** at Waukegan, Illinois, on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D., 2009.