



Albany County Sheriff's Office Critical Incident Emergency Management Unit

February 2024

Critical Incident/Emergency Management Unit

This is the monthly newsletter for the Albany County Sheriff's Office Critical Incident Emergency Management Unit. **If you have events that you would like posted in this newsletter please email them to the Fire Coordinator's office.**



Firefighter Gross decontamination

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Recruitment and Retention



R&R car at Ravana Breakfast

We would like to thank all the Departments that participated in our stop DWI Super Bowl campaign.

Volunteer Firefighter 10% property Tax credit

Just a reminder if you qualify for the 10% property tax credit and your local taxing entities have approved it, in order to receive it the appropriate forms must be submitted to your assessor's office by March 1, 2024.

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FIREFIGHTERNATION
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Recent Study Uncovers Discrepancies in Firefighter Decontamination Practices

10.11.2023

ESO (ESO Solutions, Inc.) has released findings focusing on on-scene decontamination procedures following firefighting related exposures, using data from one of the largest fire records management databases in the country. The findings are based on more than 2,509 firefighters involved in an incident with exposure to smoke or combustion byproducts between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021.

“At ESO, we are deeply concerned by the alarming number of firefighter fatalities attributed to fire exposures. It is disheartening to witness firefighters commit their lives to selfless service, only to reach retirement and, within a mere four months, receive the devastating diagnosis of cancer,” said Bill Gardner, ESO Senior Director of Fire Programs. “That’s why we have placed an emphasis on understanding the gravity of the situation.”

“Our results suggest that far too few firefighters are documenting and/or performing decontamination on-scene following exposure to fire products, with almost one in five exposed firefighters having no decontamination procedures documented,” continued Bill Gardner.

Key findings include:

Documented Fire Exposures: Among the 31,281 firefighters included in the study, 8% documented fire-related exposures. 82% of firefighters with exposures documented at least one on-scene decontamination procedure.

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Low Compliance with Best Practices: However, only 4% of those with exposures documented all on-scene decontamination procedures defined as best practice.

Rural Disparity: The odds of documenting any decontamination procedure were significantly lower for firefighters responding to rural area fires compared to those working in urban areas.

Common Decontamination Procedures: The most common type of decontamination procedure reported was cleaning the neck, face, arms, and exposed areas with wet wipes, accounting for 65% of incidents.

Gear Handling Following Exposure: 10% of firefighters in this study documented placing their bagged gear in the cab following exposure during a fire incident, a practice that was specifically identified as one to be avoided by the Lavender Report update.

Limitations: It is possible that incomplete documentation practices may have masked the actual performance of decontamination procedures, yet signals an area that warrants further attention for firefighter health and safety.

“In presenting this data, we aim to inform leadership on the need to complete accurate documentation of exposure and decontamination procedures. We know that best practices such as wet brushing gear with soap, cleaning neck, face, arms, and exposed areas using wet wipes, as well as having gear bagged and placed outside of the cab can greatly reduce firefighters’ risk of cancer,” said Dr. Antonio Fernandez, Principal Research Scientist at ESO. “In addition, documenting exposure and decontamination measures can greatly increase firefighters’ access to necessary resources in the event of a cancer diagnoses due to exposure.”

About the Research:

The research is based on a comprehensive analysis of 655 participating fire agencies and 15,538 unique working fire incidents between January 1, 2021, and December 31, 2021.

To request the research, you can head to <https://www.eso.com/data-and-research/> and request the publication reprint

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Berne Fire Department drilling on Tactical training trailer this month.



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Lightweight Building Construction class. Tour of the new Taylor Apartment building in Troy, NY on 1/22/24 The apartment building is wood construction above the first two floors, including trusses.



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Hazmat Corner



Do You Have Railroad Tracks in Your Response Area?

If so, there will be an important meeting of the fire departments with a representative from NYS DEC. The purpose of the meeting is to update the Geographic Response Plans (GRP's). If you're not familiar with these, you can request a copy of the plans covering your area by sending an email to thomas.remmert@albanycountyny.gov. Copies were distributed to all fire departments when the plans were originally published and again 3 years later at the first update.

These plans were developed several years ago when the transport by rail of Bakken crude oil was quite common. The plans were developed by O'Brien and Gere engineers under contract with NYS DEC. Mr. Scott Stanton from O'Brien and Gere will be at the meeting to review the plans and request information for updates. DEC is again bearing the cost for this.

These plans can be very valuable tools for almost any type of large scale emergency in your response area.

Every fire department with railroad tracks in their coverage area should send a representative to the meeting. In order to accommodate everyone, there will be two meetings. You only need to attend one of the meetings.

Meeting 1: Monday, March 18, 2024 at 7:00PM at Westmere Fire Department, 1741 Western Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. Parking and main entrance are in the rear of the building.

Meeting 2: Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 2:00PM at the Watervliet Arsenal, Building 40, 1 Buffington Street, Watervliet, NY 12189. Note the meeting will follow the Capital Region Hazmat meeting which is at 1:00 PM at the same location. Please do not enter the room until the hazmat meeting is over.

PLEASE RSVP TO: thomas.remmert@albanycountyny.gov.

As we all know, there were train derailments recently in Rensselaer County and at the Montgomery County / Schenectady County line. With the Selkirk rail yard in our county as well as the Port of Albany, there is a significant amount of rail traffic in the county. We need to be prepared. Please make every effort to have someone from your department attend the meetings.

A sample GRP is attached to this newsletter.



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Horsing around



It wasn't a barn burner by any accounts, but there was a brief scare when a fire alarm was pulled at a farm in Westchester County. But no fire was found — turns out, it was just some horse play.

Crews from the Bedford Fire Department responded to a farm on Guard Hill Road Monday morning after a fire alarm was set off. But there was no fire and no person had been near the fire alarm.

The only one close to the alarm? A horse named Jax.

Authorities believe Jax reached out of his stall and bit down on the alarm, setting it off.

The department said he refused to answer any questions at the scene, offering only neighs when asked if he knew anything about it.

Here's hoping he was warned about horsing around in the future.

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Albany County Training

NYS OFPC Modern Fire Behavior

This class will be offered February 27th and 29th at the Delmar Fire Department we would like to encourage everyone who hasn't already attended, to sign up for this class

6-hour course

Target audience: Firefighters who took any version on Firefighter 1 prior to the current version but of course everyone is welcome.

Topics:

Fire Dynamics – What Has Changed? Everything!

Fire Behavior - The Fire Tetrahedron is the same, but the contents of each side have changed dramatically, and why.

Fuel & Compartment - How what's burning, and the room size significantly impacts fire behavior/fire events/fire control, and why.

Fire Events - Why today's fire load readily promotes them much more than yesterday.

PPE & Fire – What you really need to know about PPE as it relates to today's fires.

Ventilation - When it should be performed has changed and why it has changed and what a fire exhaust is telling you.

Fire Attack - How it has changed, and why.

The fire load in structures today is tremendously different from yesterday and subsequently the fire behavior has changed a lot. Correspondingly the tactics used, especially their timing, have changed a lot. Not only will this information be shared but the "why" is addressed with every topic. Terms such as flow path, vent limited fires, fuel limited fires, pyrolysis, surface-to-mass ratio, fire pressure, neutral plane, heat release rate, incomplete combustion, and explosive range will be discussed.

How can you attack a fire if you don't have a thorough and accurate understanding of it?
Yes, a lot has changed.

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NYS AFC 2024 Seminar Series

“Searching – The Offensive and Defensive”

With Lieutenant Michael Scotto, Fire Department City of New York (FDNY)

Three-Hour Seminar

Searching tactics are primarily thought of as an offensive action – moving in, checking behind doors, in closets, and numerous other areas. As we search, our concerns are focused on the search. Defensive tactics involve our escape plans, which are needed as we complete our search, but more importantly under extreme or emergency conditions. To make these tactics work, we must always have our strategy front and center. Both sides of the coin are in play all the time. In this program, students will examine strategy and tactics to gain a more concise understanding of the training necessary for search.



Instructor Mike Scotto:

Mike Scotto served with the Fire Department City of New York (FDNY) from 1979-2021. He was appointed to lieutenant in 1997 and assigned to Tower Ladder 58 in the Bronx. Previous FDNY assignments included Engine 18 in Manhattan and Tower Ladder 157 in Brooklyn. Scotto is a New York state fire instructor, national fire instructor Level I and II, and master exercise practitioner (MEP) certified through the Department of Homeland Security, as well as an Orange County fire instructor.

Registration Fee:

\$35 per person – NYS AFC Individual and Department Members

\$50 per person – Non-Members

Pre-registration is encouraged. On-site registration will be accepted if space permits.

Note: A 3% service fee will be applied if paying by credit card.

2024 Dates and Locations:

Seminar begins at 7:00 p.m. at all sites. Registration area opens at 6:30 p.m.

February 26 – Albany County

Village of Ravena Fire Department • 116 Main Street • Ravena, NY 12143

Online Registration

Creation of an online account will be required for online registration. New for 2024 – group registration is now available for fire departments! Call NYS AFC at (800) 676-3473 to set up a Department account.

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FIRE & LIFE SAFETY EDUCATORS' TRAINING SERIES

For over 40 years, NYSAFC has partnered with the New York State Office of Fire Prevention & Control to co-host the Fire & Life Safety Educators' Conference at the New York State Academy of Fire Science. Featuring workshops and networking activities, this weekend event has brought together public educators in the emergency services field from throughout the Northeast and Canada to learn how they can enhance their programs.

Due to infrastructure updates that will be taking place in 2024 at the fire academy, in lieu of the annual conference, we're taking the show on the road, conducting three one-day conferences across New York state! Join us at the Fire & Life Safety Educators' Training Series in Albany, Erie, and Onondaga Counties.

2024 Dates and Locations:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at all locations.

Albany County – April 27, 2024

Fuller Road Fire Department • 1342 Central Avenue • Albany, NY 12205

Be sure to visit the NYS DHSES OFPC [website](#) for additional public education resources!

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NEW LOCATION!



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SEMINAR

**REGISTRATION @ 7:30 AM
SEMINAR STARTS @ 8:00 AM**

Seminar Cost:
Members \$20 | Non-Members \$55
Pre-Seminar Cost:
Members \$20 | Non-Members \$25

**SATURDAY - SUNDAY
MARCH 2-3, 2024**

**GENEVA FIRE DEPARTMENT
79 GENEVA STREET, GENEVA NY 14456**

Understanding Firefighter Injuries

This session is designed to help Responders, Fire Fighters, EMT's and Paramedics better Manage Firefighter Injuries on the scene of a fire and in route to the hospital. Firefighting is one of the world's most dangerous jobs and accidents in this profession can result in costly losses. The greatest loss being the injury or death of a firefighter! During this session we will explain the two basic factors that motivate accident control efforts. Humane vs. Economics, all departments know and understand what it takes to produce the almost perfect firefighter, but they also realize the cost involved. Because of cost, many departments are out of compliance and allow their firefighters to operate unsafe and unhealthy.

During this session EMS will learn that they are not on the scene just to watch the fire, but instead play one of the major roles of preventing firefighter injuries by keep a close eye on them. We will explain the most common types of injuries, how and why they occur. We will explain the importance of wearing proper firefighting equipment, using the Incident Command System, and the need for rehabilitation on scene.

Presented by: Ken Bouvier - Paramedic, Professional Fire / EMS Speaker

Managing School Bus Incidents

This session is designed to help First Responders, EMT's & Paramedics, Dispatchers, Firefighters and Fire Chiefs better understand how to manage School Bus Incidents. Daily in the United States an average of 480,000 yellow school buses, transport approximately 25 million students to and from school.

During this session we will discuss the frequency of school bus incidents and you will be amazed to learn how often they occur. Using a unique power point presentation, we will also discuss school bus designs, the types of injuries you can expect, how patients are triaged, patient tracking and school bus crash management and how Emergency Management will play a valuable role in assisting law enforcement, fire and EMS.

Presented by: Ken Bouvier - Paramedic, Professional Fire / EMS Speaker

State of the State of EMS

Discussing Issues of EMS in NYS. Question & Answer Portion.

Presented by: The NYS Department of Health

Heat Emergencies in the Pre-Hospital Venue

Illnesses caused by heat are a major cause of preventable death. Most of us realize that there is a progressive severity between heat exhaustion and heat stroke. In the US approximately 175-200 persons die during and average year from heat related problems. This number rises to 1500 during the heat waves. During July of 1995, 91 people in Milwaukee and 465 in Chicago died as a direct result of the heat wave. Please join JEMS Case of the Month Author Paul Werfel on this interactive and stimulating discussion of this EMS issue.

Presented by: Paul A. Werfel - EMT-P

The Fight for Air, The Assessment and Treatment of Asthma and C.O.P.D in the Pre-Hospital Environment

Asthma is a common disorder that affects nearly 10 million Americans and is responsible for 4,000 to 5000 deaths per year. COPD affects some 17 million Americans and is responsible one in every eight deaths and is a significant factor in one in every four deaths in the U.S. In fact, we see so many patients with the above illnesses that we have become somewhat complacent with them. Join JEMS Case of the Month author Paul Werfel in this interactive and stimulating discussion of these illnesses.

Presented by: Paul A. Werfel - EMT-P

Growing Up in Public Safety: A Roadmap for Career Success

Advancement in public safety too often occurs accidentally. We gain experience and assume leadership roles by stumbling and bumbling our way through operational and clinical challenges. However, real success can and should be more strategic. When you envision your next five years in public safety, how do you see yourself? Will you be a supervisor, an officer, or even in a different operational role? The key question, however, is what active steps are you taking to prepare? This class will discuss best practices and proven pathways toward public safety success. We will describe real-world methodologies to open the correct doors and prepare you to seize the opportunities around you. Whether you are paid or volunteer, don't let your career unfold by accident.

By: Dan Batsie, Paramedic

**STOP BY
ONE DAY EARLY
FOR THE
PRE-SEMINAR
WORKSHOP**

Friday, March 1, 2024, at the Geneva Fire Department

Presented by: Dan Batsie, Paramedic
Registration at 7:30 a.m. Pre-Seminar starts at 8:00 a.m.

This one-day workshop will provide 8 hours of BLS Training that an EMT may apply toward the EMT-B "Core" Refresher Training of their NYS CME-Based Recertification Program. These 8 hours may also be applied toward the Mandatory Core Content required by the NREMT, meeting the objectives of the DOT EMT Refresher. This offers an opportunity to get started in meeting the Core requirements or to add on to Core training obtained elsewhere. This workshop will be a well-rounded review, covering only in part several Core subjects. It will not alone meet all of the required Core Refresher Training.

Core Content Topics:

Airway	1.0 Hr.
Cardiology	2.0 Hrs.
Shock & Resuscitation	2.0 Hrs.
Trauma	2.0 Hrs.
Operations	1.0 Hr.

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ALBANY COUNTY FIRE TRAINING SCHEDULE #4-2024 is attached.

<https://www.albanycounty.com/home/showpublisheddocument/45975/638428060967970000>

There is now a link on our website with instructions on how to get an LMS sign-on ID. We recommend that all new members should register as soon as they join so they have access to training opportunities.



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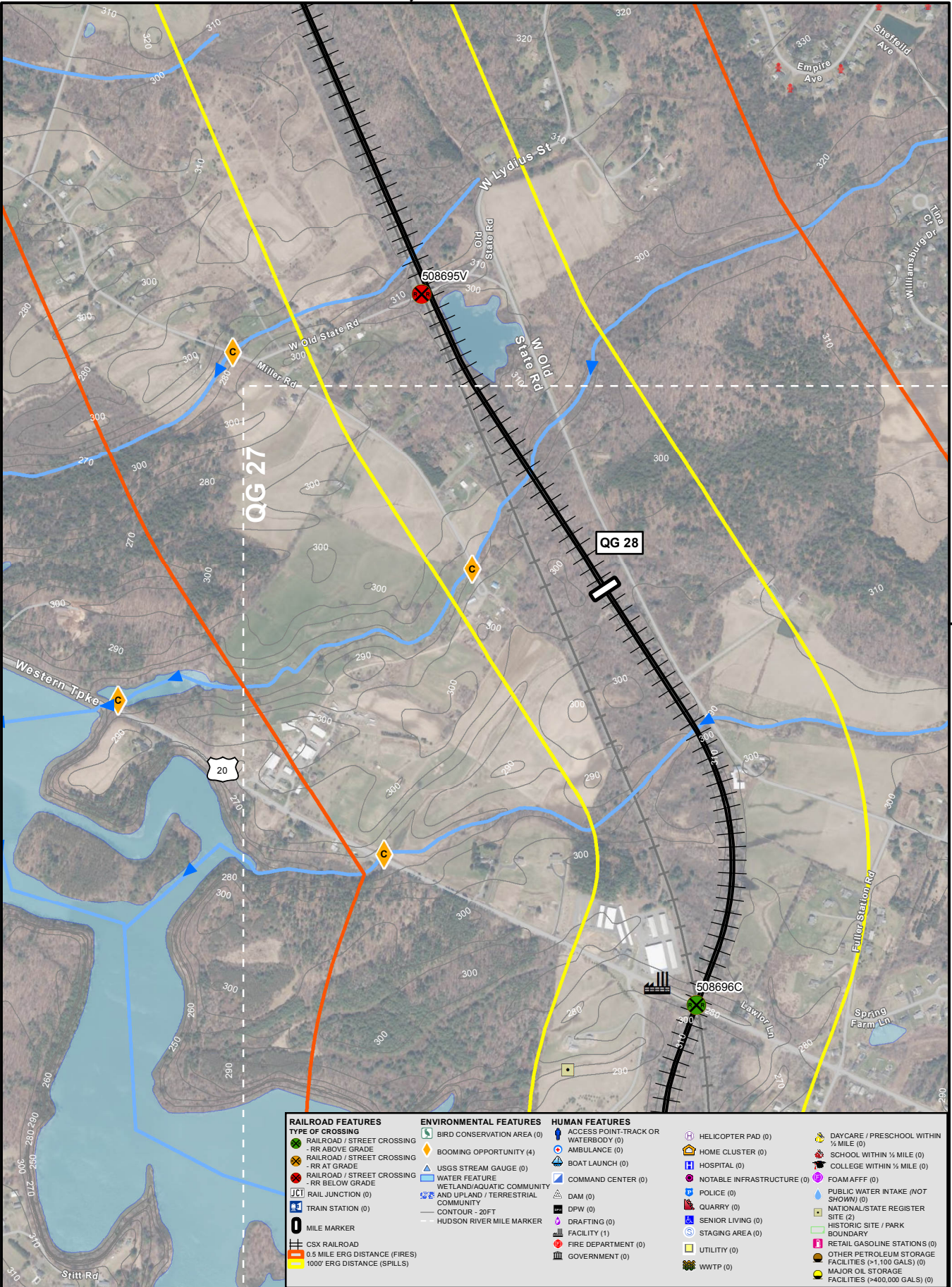
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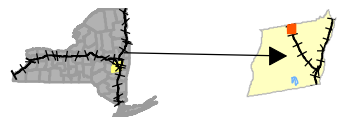
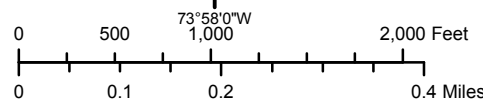
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1 INCH = 1,000 FEET



Railroad Mile QG 28 – Fullers, Albany County

Location: Town of Guilderland, Albany County
Coverage Area: Hamlet of Fullers
Railroad Mile Markers: CSX QG 28.91 to CSX QG 27.18

CONTACT ALL NUMBERS BELOW	
Local Fire  & Police 	911
National Response Center (EPA)	(800) 424-8802
DEC Spill Response	(800) 457-7362
CSX Railroad	(800) 232-0144
Canadian Pacific Railroad	(800) 716-9132
Albany County Emergency Management	(518) 765-2353
State Watch Center	(518) 292-2200
Guilderland Police Department 	(518) 356-1501

FIRE/EXPLOSION:

- IDENTIFY PRODUCT(S).
- NOTIFY POTENTIAL RECEPTORS AND RESPONSE CONTACTS.
- REQUEST STATE WATCH CENTER TO MOBILIZE FOAM ASSETS.
- EVACUATE ½ MILE.
- IF MORE THAN 3 CARS ON FIRE AND NO LIFE SAFETY THREAT, EVACUATE RESPONDERS AND LET IT BURN.
- IF 3 OR FEWER CARS INVOLVED, DOES FIRE THREATEN POPULATIONS OR CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE?
 - ◇ IF SO, FIGHT FIRE USING FOAM AND WATER. ADDITIONAL FOAM FROM STATE WATCH CENTER. UTILIZE HIGH VOLUME DRAFT POINTS IF POSSIBLE.
 - ◇ IF NOT, LET IT BURN. APPLY COOLING WATER TO ADJACENT CARS VIA UNMANNED MONITORS.
- CONSIDER RUNOFF CONTROL MEASURES TO MINIMIZE HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS.

SPILL/LEAK:

- IDENTIFY PRODUCT(S).
- VAPORS— FLAMMABLE OR TOXIC? APPLY FOAM SUPPRESSION?
- SAFELY REMOVE POTENTIAL IGNITION SOURCES.
- NOTIFY RECEPTOR CONTACTS—1,000 FEET DOWNWIND. EVACUATE OR SHELTER IN PLACE AS NECESSARY.
- NOTIFY RESPONSE CONTACTS. RAILROAD AND/OR NYSDEC MOBILIZE SPILL RESPONSE ASSETS.
- EVALUATE FLOW PATH(S). PREVENT FLOW INTO SEWERS/WATERWAYS WITH BOOM/DIKE/BERM.
- IF SPILL REACHES WATERWAYS, NOTIFY DOWNSTREAM RECEPTORS AND DEPLOY BOOM WHERE POSSIBLE.

DERAILMENT/ACCIDENT (NO OBVIOUS FIRE OR LEAK)


- IDENTIFY PRODUCT(S).
- NOTIFY RESPONSE CONTACTS.
- REMOVE POTENTIAL IGNITION SOURCES.
- ESTABLISH SECURE PERIMETER.

GEOGRAPHIC ACCESS

Primary access route: From the east use I-90 to exit 25 for I-890. Continue on I-890 north to exit 9 for Curry Rd. Turn right on Curry Rd, take the third right at the traffic circle for Carman Rd (Rt-146), and turn right onto W Lydius St heading southwest into this GRP area.

Alternative access route: From the east use I-90 to exit 25 for I-890. Continue on I-890 north to exit 9 for Curry Rd. Turn right on Curry Rd, take the third right at the traffic circle for Carman Rd (Rt-146), and turn right onto Western Ave (Rt-20) heading northwest into this GRP area.

RAILROAD ACCESS

Limited access is available in the GRP area. Access from the 84 Lumber  lot is possible. W Old State Rd is closed and does not provide access to the track (crossing 508695V). Access from County Line Rd crossing (508694N) is available north of the GRP area.

NOTIFICATION AND EVACUATION



DOWNWIND CONSIDERATIONS

-  **Lynwood Elementary** (east of GRP; outside ½ mile): 518-355-7930
-  **No daycares located within GRP area.**
-  **84 Lumber:** 518-355-8488




DOWNSTREAM CONSIDERATIONS

-  **Town of Guilderland Superintendent of Water:** 518-785-7082
-  **City of Watervliet Water Filtration Plant:** 518-785-7082
-  **Town of Guilderland NE Industrial Park Water Plant:** 518-861-6510
-  **Town of Guilderland NE Industrial Park Sewer Plant:** 518-861-3656
-  **Town of Guilderland Nott Rd Sewer Plant:** 518-456-2745

ICP / STAGING

-  **Albany County Emergency Management:**
58 Verda Ave, Clarksville, NY 12041
-  **NYS Department of Environment Conservation - Region 4 Office:**
1130 North Westcott Rd, Schenectady, NY 12306


SITE AND SEASONAL CONSIDERATIONS

- The **Watervliet Reservoir**  and associated dam  is located in the geographic area and is a water source for the City of Watervliet. Contact the Superintendent of Water (518-785-7082) for additional information.
- A water filtration plant  is located in the geographic area. Contact the City of Watervliet (518-785-7082) for additional information.
- Waterbodies may be frozen during winter months.
- Notify NYSDEC Spill Hotline (800-457-7362) for any wildlife impacts.

FIRE SUPPRESSION

-  **High Volume Class B Foam Trailer:**
South (10 min) - Northeastern Industrial Park, 2 Van Buren Blvd, Guilderland Center, NY 12085
Southeast (25 min) - 26 Broad Street, Albany NY 12202
East (30 min) - Schuyler Heights Fire Department; 900 1st St, Watervliet, NY 12189
-  **South Schenectady Fire Department:** 518-355-7720
-  **Rotterdam Fire District 2 Fire Department:** 518-355-1341
-  **Pine Grove Fire Department:** 518-355-9430
-  **Carman Fire Department:** 518-355-6425
-  **Fort Hunter Fire District:** 518-355-2434
-  **Guilderland Center Fire District:** 518-861-8871

WATER RESPONSE STRATEGIES

-  **Boom:** Deploy boom at downstream location ahead of oil migration.
- Un-named Tributary: W Old State Rd/ Miller Rd (-73° 58' 23.07", 42° 44' 20.47")
- Un-named Tributary: Miller Rd (-73° 57' 59.77", 42° 44' 04.53")
- Un-named Tributary: Western Ave (-73° 58' 34.66", 42° 43' 55.29")
- Un-named Tributary: Western Ave (-73° 58' 08.71", 42° 43' 43.61")

 **Watervliet Reservoir Dam:** 518-785-7082

BERMING RESOURCES

-  **Guilderland Highway Department:** 518-861-5108
-  **Albany County Department of Public Works:** 518-765-2055
-  **William M Larned & Sons Inc.:** 518-374-6961
-  **Callanan Industries, Inc.:** 518-357-0036



2016
Emergency
Response
Guidance



Strategic and
Tactical
Guidance for
Rail Involving
Crude Oil



ALBANY COUNTY FIRE TRAINING SCHEDULE #4 2024

Pre-Registration Required: Students may register by clicking on the Learning Management System link on the NYS OPFC Home Page ([NYS Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services - OPFC](#))

Registration opens 45 days before the first class


COURSE	LOCATION	DATE	INSTRUCTOR	PREREQUISITES
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Please Note that a training authorization letter is now required for all courses offered by the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control

Firefighter I (BEFO/SCBA Interior Firefighter Operations)	Colonie MTB	December 21st: Orientation: 6:30 pm Chief Officer Must Attend with Student <i>BEFO (W/Hazardous Materials Operations)</i> January 2, 4, 9, 11, 20, 23, 25, 30, February 1, 6, 8, 13, March 2, 7, 14, 19, 21, 26, April 2, 4, 6 SCBA/IFO: April 18, 20, 25, 30, May 2, 7, 18, 30, June 6, 11, 13, 18, 25 Weeknights 1830-2130 Saturday 0800-1700 Instructor - Molesky	At Orientation: Training Authorization Letter	
IN PROGRESS IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 7th Edition Curriculum			Start of SCBA/IFO: Medical Clearance to wear SCBA,	

Battery Emergencies and Electrical Storage Systems	Shaker Road	February 13 1830-2030	Graves	None
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Modern Fire Behavior	Fuller Road	February 17 0900-1600 Includes One hour break for lunch.	Walsh	Firefighter I or Equivalent
Fire Officer 1 Module Series: Fireground Strategies and Tactics for First Arriving Companies	Colonie MTB	February 26, March 2 (0800-1700) March 6	DeGross	Firefighter I or Equivalent
SCBA-Interior Firefighting Operations	Guilderland Tower	February 27: Orientation 1830 March 4, 6, 12,14, 18, 20, 26, 28 April 9, 11, 15, 17, 23, 25, 29 1830-2130	Santabarbara	BEFO w/HMFRO or equivalent
Fire Officer I NEW TO SCHEDULE	Green Island Municipal Center – 19 George St. Green Island, NY, 12183	March 6-8, 11-15 0800-1600 For registration, or further information please contact: Firefighter Johnson Email: caleb.johnson@villageofgreenisland.com Phone: (402) 953-8220	Johnson	Firefighter I or Equivalent
Confined Space Rescue Awareness	Colonie Village	March 11, 13 1930-2130	Gill	None
Modern Fire Behavior	Delmar	February 27 & 29 1830-2130	Shaw	None

Conducting Emergency Escape System Training for Company Officers	Guilderland FD	March 9: 0800-1700	Kerr	Firefighter I or Equivalent
Truck Company Operations	East Berne	March 12, 25, April 1, 8, 24, May 1, 6, 8	Molesky	Firefighter I or Equivalent
Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations	Colonie MTB	April 2 & 4: 1800-2200 April 6: 0800-1600	Molesky	None
SCBA-Interior Firefighting Operations	Selkirk #2/Colonie MTB	April 15: Orientation Selkirk #2 1830 April 18, 22, 25, 29, May 2, 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 23, 30, June 3, 6, 10 1830-2130	Messenger	BEFO w/HMFRO or equivalent
ATV/UTV Class NEW TO SCHEDULE	East Berne FD	April 27 0800-1600 Contact Chief Paul Miller (Albany County Sheriff's Office) to register: 518-720-8034 or 518-320-4213 to Register	Paris	Bring Fire Department Issued ATV/UTV for hands-on session. Class size: 50 for classroom session only. 25 for classroom and hands-on.
Unless changed by instructor or noted above: All evening classes will be held from 19:00-22:00 hours. All Saturday and Sunday classes will be held from 09:00-12:00 hours and 13:00-16:00 hours			 Fire Coordinator Gerald Paris 