

PEI EMO Event Checklist – Evacuation

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A. General

Evacuation plans are dynamic and can be adjusted based on the specific circumstances and nature of the emergency. Local authorities, emergency management agencies and the province play a critical role in formulating and executing effective evacuation plans to ensure the safety and well-being of residents. The specific individuals or organizations that make this decision can vary depending on the jurisdiction and nature of emergency.

The call for an evacuation can be the result of various emergencies not limited to a structure fire in a large building threatening nearby building(s), forest fire, hazardous materials spill or leak, such as oil spill and ammonia leak, police emergency. The primary reason to evacuate a building or an area is to ensure the public are safe. The decision to evacuate is normally made by the local authority or Incident Commander at the scene.

PEI EMO will monitor and be prepared to assist in the coordination of the following activities:

- Provide assistance to municipalities, unincorporated areas, and utilities;
- Issue emergency communications including the use of the Alert Ready system and social media, local TV and Radio broadcasts to keep citizens informed;
- Arrange for police to conduct evacuation and secure evacuated areas;
- Support Municipal reception centres and overnight shelters as well as support Social Development and Seniors and Canadian Red Cross to establish similar services in unincorporated areas. Canadian Red Cross can provide first aid, clothing, feeding, and registration services for reunification of families such as out of province visitors;
- Working with the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure to assist in establishing routes for evacuees and for emergency vehicles and critical workers out of impacted areas;
- Direct Department of Education to coordinate with school boards for use of busses for transportation if required;
- Working with the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure to ensure specialized equipment is available in order to establish routes for emergency vehicles and critical workers if required;
- Request PEI Humane Society or other animal care centres to assist in the sheltering of pets;
- Direct the Department of Agriculture to provide emergency feeding, moving and/or evacuation of livestock and/or poultry;
- Direct Department of Transportation and Infrastructure to obtain resources such as [generators](#) and portable toilets from business to support emergency services at reception centres if required;
- Provide advice to the Minister responsible for Emergency Management on declaring a state of emergency should mandatory evacuations be required or there is a need to prohibit people from being within evacuated areas to ensure public safety;
- During a provincial state of emergency the Fire Marshall's Office would direct and coordinate fire departments and the RCMP commanding officer would direct and

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coordinate policing agencies.

- Direct provincial resources capable of providing mental health and health supports including emergency filling of prescriptions, to support impacted residents;
- Be prepared to request support from International Emergency Management Group partners, other Canadian Provinces and Territories;
- Be prepared to request support for federal resources through Public Safety Canada.

B. Lead Agencies

Site Lead:	Municipality having jurisdiction (if area is incorporated)
Provincial Lead:	PEI EMO for coordination of Provincial Government Depts
Federal Lead:	Public Safety Canada for coordination of federal requests
Other Primary Provincial Departments:	Social Development and Seniors Transportation and Infrastructure Justice and Public Safety Health and Wellness Health PEI Education and Early Years Housing, Land and Communities Others as required
Other Agencies:	Canadian Red Cross Municipal Police Services RCMP PEI NGO Council Other agencies for Recovery

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C. Considerations

Area affected _____

Municipal or unincorporated area _____

of people requiring evacuation _____

Designated Reception Centre _____

Services being offered _____

Designated transportation route _____

Effective time _____

Health services required _____

Other services _____

Road closures/conditions Yes (where) _____ No

Will livestock/poultry require evacuation Yes (what) _____ No

Disruption of utilities Yes (what) _____ No

Co-ordinate public information Yes No

Is a public advisory required Yes No

NGO Agencies required (list) _____

D. Alert Ready

PEI EMO Time _____

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E. Online Resources

- Weather Links:
 - [Spot WX](#)
 - [Environment Canada Collaboration Weather Modeling](#)
 - [Intellicast](#)
 - [Windy](#)
 - [Cocorahs Precipitation Levels](#)
 - [Maritime Coastal Flood Risk Map](#)

F. Notes