

Resolution No.:	<u>17-938</u>
Introduced:	<u>October 1, 2013</u>
Adopted:	<u>November 19, 2013</u>

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: 2013 Emergency Operations Plan

Background

1. The Maryland Code, Public Safety Article, §14-101 et. seq, requires each political subdivision to establish a local organization for the Office of Emergency Management with a Director appointed by the Governor on recommendation of the County Executive; develop and maintain a plan for disaster preparedness; and conduct disaster operations.
2. To comply with State and federal requirements, the County has maintained an Emergency Operations Plan for more than 19 years. The Executive has revised and re-issued the plan as necessary to comply with new requirements and to include current practices.
3. On July 9, 2013, the Council received the Executive's transmittal of the 2013 Montgomery County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). This plan is a multi-discipline, all-hazards plan that establishes a single, comprehensive framework for the management of major emergencies and disasters within the County. It incorporates the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the County standard for incident management, reflects other changes resulting from the adoption of the National Response Framework in 2008, and has been developed to comply with NIMS and Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP) standards.
4. In 1998, the Council adopted Resolution 13-1475 approving the then current EOP and requiring that future revisions of the Emergency Operations Plan must be approved by Council resolution before they are submitted to the State. The Council has continued to require Council approval of revisions of the plan since that time.
5. The Public Safety Committee reviewed the 2013 EOP on November 7, 2013, and recommended approval with changes.
6. The 2013 EOP replaces and supersedes the 2009 EOP, which the Council approved by Resolution 16-1204 in December 2009.


Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

The Montgomery County Emergency Operations Plan, 2013, is approved. A copy of the Plan is on file in the Council's Office of Legislative Information Services.

Each future revision of the Emergency Operations Plan must be approved by Council resolution before it is submitted to the State.

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council