

Sec. 2.

20 V.S.A. § 41 is amended to read

§ 41. STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Department of Public Safety's Vermont Emergency Management 4 Division, in collaboration with the **Whole Community*** ~~Chief Recovery Officer and in consultation with regional planning commissions, the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, and Vermont's long-term recovery groups,~~ shall create, and republish as needed, but not less than every five years, a comprehensive State Emergency Management Plan. The Plan shall:

(1) detail response systems during all-hazards events, including communications, **emergency notification systems**, coordination among State, local, private, and volunteer entities, and the deployment of State and federal resources. ~~The Plan shall also;~~

(2) detail the State's emergency preparedness measures and goals, including those for the prevention of, protection against, mitigation of, and recovery from all-hazards events. ~~The Plan shall;~~

(3) include templates and guidance for regional emergency management and for local emergency plans that support municipalities in their respective emergency management planning, **training, public outreach during disasters including older Vermonters and individuals with disabilities, and response during all hazard incidents; and**

***Whole Community includes: Individuals and families, including those with access and functional needs, Businesses, Faith-based and community organizations, Nonprofit groups, Schools and academia, Media outlets, and all levels of government, including state, local, tribal, territorial, and federal partners**

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~~(4) provide a framework for municipalities to develop and implement:~~

~~(A) emergency parking plans for areas within a municipality affected by an all-hazard event;~~

~~(B) municipal plans and systems, developed in collaboration with the Agency of Human Services, to ensure that vulnerable populations, including 3 older Vermonters and individuals with disabilities, within the municipality are 4 contacted and visited to ensure their safety and wellness during an all-hazard 5 event;~~

~~(C) emergency notification systems to provide real-time alerts to 7 residents, which shall utilize multichannel communication systems; and~~

~~(D) training to support the officers and staff that municipalities are 9 required to maintain following an all-hazard event, including individual 10 assistance coordinators and disaster waste coordinators.~~

Sec. 7. ~~20 V.S.A. § 52~~ 20 V.S.A. § 3a is added to read:

§ 3a-52 DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT; ALL-HAZARD AND WEATHER ALERT SYSTEMS FOR MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS

Upon request of a municipal corporation, the Division of Emergency Management, in collaboration with ~~Federal Agencies, State Agencies, and other applicable governmental and non-governmental organizations and regional planning commissions and the Vermont League of Cities and Towns,~~ shall assist the municipal corporation with access to ~~and development of~~ the following:

- (1) a statewide river observation and modeling system that:
 - A. details current river level observations
 - B. model's river flood outlooks
- (2) ~~surface water flood monitoring devices, which shall automatically trigger notification systems for emergency services providers and residents;~~
- ~~(2) alert systems that are integrated with a statewide weather alert system for real-time updates during severe weather events; and~~
- (3) ~~connection to~~ a statewide enhanced weather **forecasting and** alert system that:
 - (A) predicts local and regional conditions using advanced modeling; and
 - (B) issues real-time warnings for **potentially dangerous weather** ~~floodings, blizzards, and ice storms~~ through multiple communication channels.