

Southern Exposure 2015: Lessons Learned from FEMA's Perspective

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- First Radiological Emergency Preparedness exercise to include intermediate and long term recovery issues and impacts and resources.
- Used the National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF) doctrine as the structure for approaching the recovery portion of the exercise.
- Used the exercise as an opportunity to familiarize the State, local, Non-Governmental Organizations and Regional Federal Agencies with the concept and structure of the NDRF.

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- Focus on Economic Agricultural impacts and Housing issues
- Representatives from both the Agricultural sector and the housing sector from the Federal agencies, State, local and Non-Profit Organizations.
- Refined the unified command structure to better align policies and protocols to event to include a representative from the Nuclear Power Plant

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- There is a perception that do to potential duplication with the authorities described in the Price Anderson Act, assistance from FEMA's (as outlined in the Robert T. Stafford Act) would be limited.
- Exercise provided an opportunity to clarify the assistance American Nuclear Insurance would provide and helped identify potential gaps between Price Anderson Act and the Stafford Act.
- Also highlighted the need to identify federal remediation lead and funding source.

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Following the success of Southern Exposure 2015 exercise, other industries have express interest in engaging with the Federal Government through planning and exercises to address interim and long term recovery issues.
