



Northern Virginia Evacuation Plan

- Arlington County
- City of Alexandria
- City of Fairfax
- Fairfax County
- City of Falls Church

- Loudoun County
- City of Manassas
- City of Manassas Park
- Prince William County
- Stafford County

Briefing Purpose

**Describe the Northern Virginia
(NoVA) Evacuation Plan**

Planning Team

- **Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)**
- **Virginia State Police (VSP)**
- **Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)**
- **Northern Virginia Regional Commission**
- **OEM, Arlington**
- **OEM, Fairfax**
- **National Park Service (NPS) /U. S. Park Police**

Plan Scope

- **Broad guidance**
 - not detailed
- **Orients on NoVA but supports NCR**
- **First 72 hours**
- **Includes:**
 - Road movement
 - Law enforcement and traffic control
 - Public transportation
 - Walkouts
 - Public information

The National Capital Region

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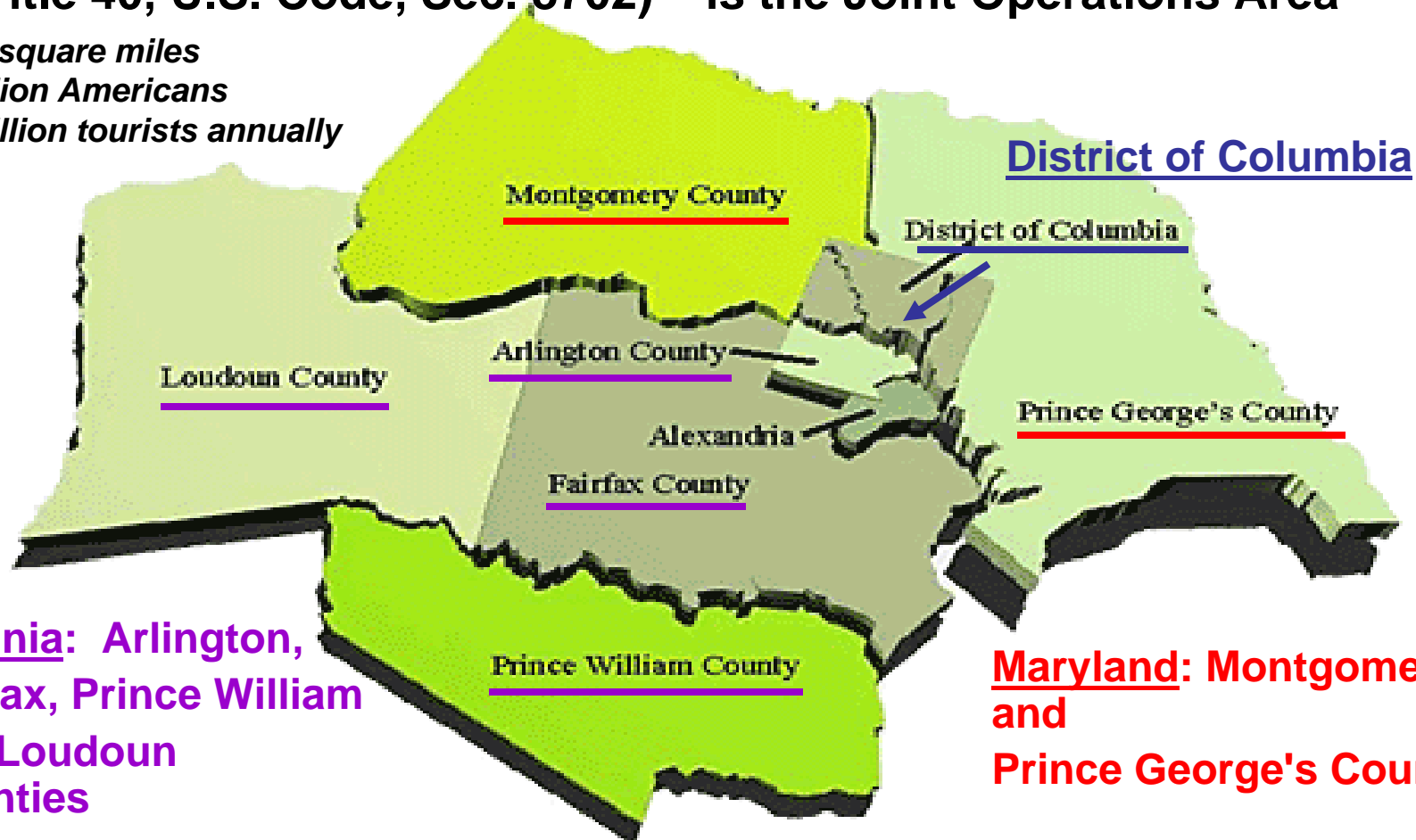


- **Multi-jurisdictional: two States, the District of Columbia, 3 Branches of Federal Government, 231 Federal Dept & Agencies; 340,000 Federal Workers, and 12 local jurisdictions**
- **The NCR encompasses 2,500 square miles, has over 5 million Americans, and over 20 million visitors annually**
- **Political and military “center of gravity” ~ Senior Civ & Mil Leadership**
- **High density of political and military officials ~ target rich environment**
- **Host to huge foreign gov't, cultural, media and business contingent**
- **Two major airports (More than 1,000 daily domestic non stop flight and over 500 international flight weekly); 2nd largest rail transit system; 4th Largest metro area; Gross Regional Product of 288.3 billion (4th Nationally)**

The National Capital Region

The NCR -- as described in the National Capital Planning Act of 1952 (Title 40, U.S. Code, Sec. 8702) – is the Joint Operations Area

- 2500 square miles
- 5 million Americans
- 20 million tourists annually



Virginia: Arlington, Fairfax, Prince William and Loudoun Counties

Maryland: Montgomery and Prince George's Counties

... “and all cities in MD and VA in the geographic area bounded by the outer boundaries of the NCR counties”

VDEM Region VII

- Highest terrorism threat in Virginia and in the United States
- 40% of Virginia's population and 70% of the tax base
- 2 Million people in NOVA / 4 Million in the National Capital Region
- Threats = Pentagon, CIA, FDIC, Installations, Airports, Railroads (VRE & Metro)

Plan Purposes

- **Provide the basic framework for operational plan**
- **Plan that can be implemented now**
- **Synchronizes VDEM Region VII state agency support**
- **Synchronizes local plan in support of regional effort**
- **Can be incorporated into the National Capital Region (NCR) Evacuation Plan**

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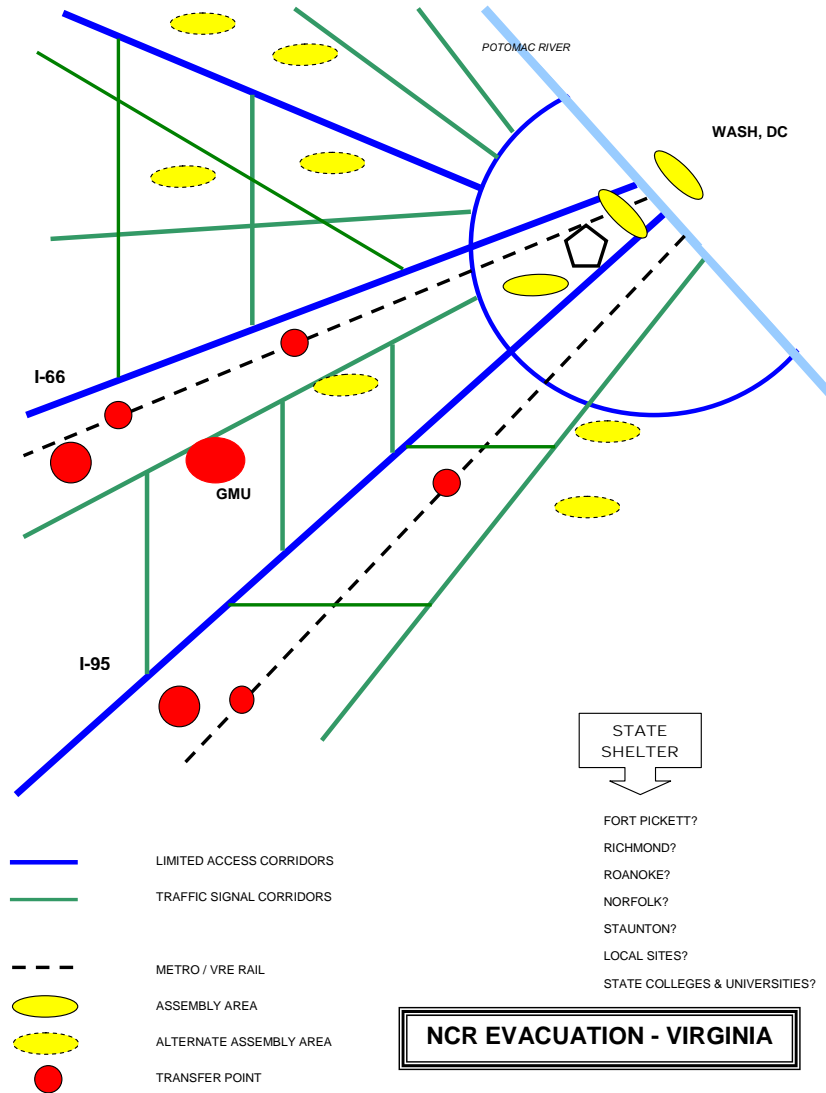
- *KISS – Keep it Simple*
- **Flexible**
- **All Hazards**
- **No Notice Event**
- **Multiple Events**
- **Immediate & Spontaneous Evacuation**
- **Large number of commuters use Public Transportation**
- **Federal Plans will remain unknown and will likely disrupt movements**
- **No Contra flow**

Key Concepts

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- **Incident Command at Local Levels**
- **Quick decision needed**
- **Public Information is Critical**
- **NoVA localities overwhelmed with:**
 - Movement of people
 - Mutual support/sheltering for NoVA localities
- **Use of State Shelters first**
- **Shelter-in-place**

Concept



NCR EVACUATION - VIRGINIA

Concept of Operations

- **Flexible response...change**
- **All hazards approach**
- **Execution of the Plan approved by the Governor**
 - **request to execute to VEOC**
- **Will occur in stages**

Concept of Operations

(continued)

- **Assembly Areas / Transfer Points (AA / TP)**
- **Re-route inbound traffic**
- **Close:**
 - **I-395 inbound** (Beltway to DC)
 - **I-66 inbound** (Beltway to DC)
 - **GWMP & Memorial Bridge**
- **Normal public transportation routes in effect**
- **Airports closed initially**
- **Airports/Water = follow-on responders, equipment, logistics**
- **U. S. Coast Guard close waterways**

Enhancements to Evacuation

- **No HOV restrictions**
- **No tolls**
- **Traffic Signal Plan**
- **Express trains**
- **Buses for Walkouts**
- **In-bound First Responder & bus routes**
- **Divert Interstate traffic around NoVA/DC**

Limited Access Corridors

VSP & VDOT = Primary Responsibility

- **Rail lines**
- **I-95 / I-395**
- **I-66**
- **State Route 267 (Dulles Toll Road)**
- **I-495 (Beltway)**
- **George Washington Memorial Parkway (GWMP)**
 - *National Park Service/U. S. Park Police*

Traffic Signal Corridors

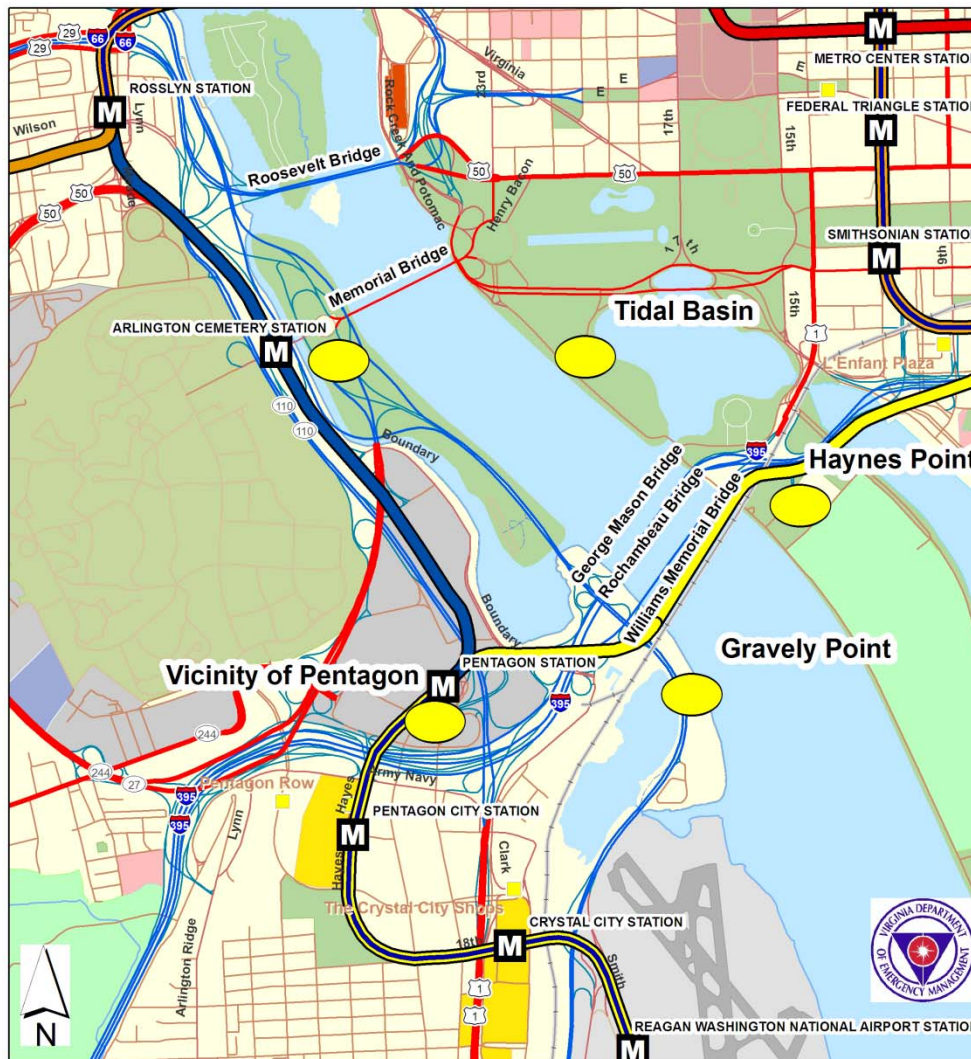
Local jurisdictions = Primary Responsibility







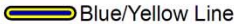

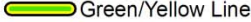

VDOT = Support

- **Routes:**

1	20	55	208	230	243	420	7100
2	27	110	211	231	244	522	7900
3	28	120	213	234	245	611	
7	29	123	215	235	287	613	
9	33	193	218	236	299	620	
15	48	205	228	237	309	644	
17	50	206	229	241	402	3000	

- **Routes continue beyond Region VII**
- **Routes run through several local jurisdictions**
- **Neighborhood Roads**



-  Assembly Areas
-  Blue Line
-  Green Line
-  Orange Line
-  Red Line
-  Yellow Line
-  Blue/Yellow Line
-  Blue/Orange Line
-  Green/Yellow Line
-  WMATA Stations





NOVA Evacuation Plan

Assembly Areas Along the Potomac River

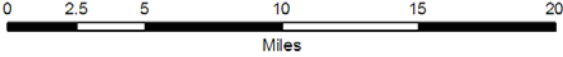




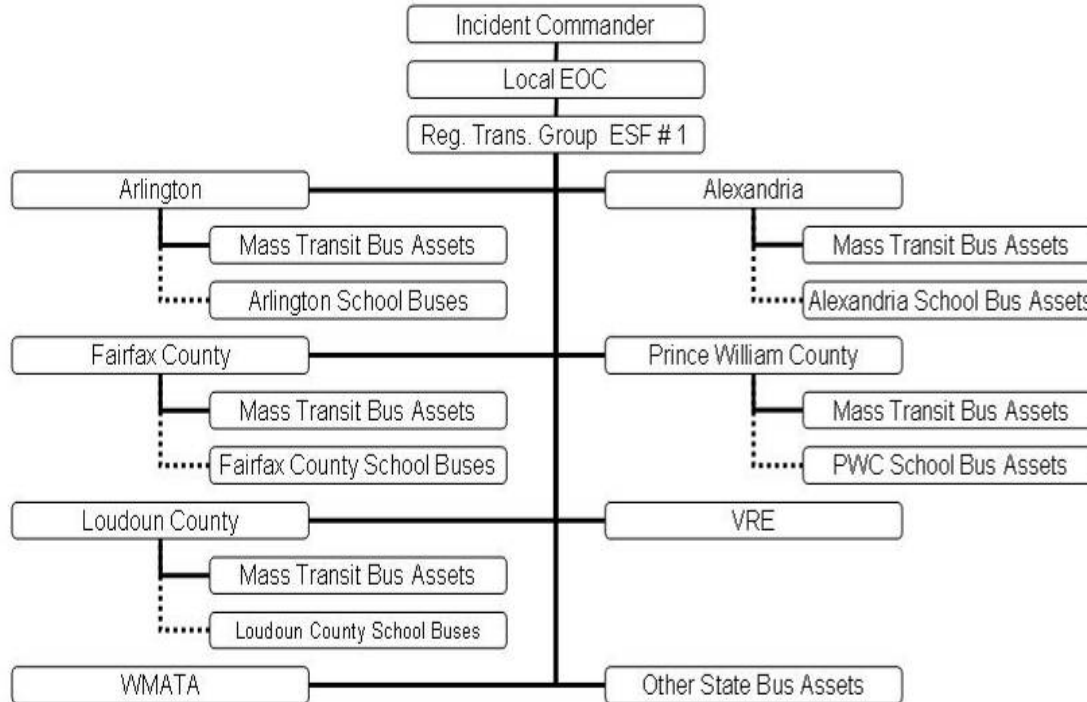
Legend

-  Assembly Areas
-  Local Transfer Points - WMATA
-  Local Transfer Points - VRE
-  State Transfer Points

**NOVA Evacuation Plan
Assembly Areas & Transfer Points**



Regional Transportation Group ESF # 1 Organization



Relationships with Other Plans

- **Federal**
 - Shelter-in-place
 - Staggered release of Federal employees
 - One Federal agency providing direction & control of all other Federal agencies
- **State**
- **Regional (VA & DC)**
 - Shelters filled to capacity
 - Requests for shelter support
 - Provision of support:
 - Staffing, administration, funding, logistics
- **Local**

Roles & Responsibilities

(Local Jurisdictions)

- **Support NoVA and NCR Evacuations**
- **Develop/implement local plans**
- **Incident Command/EOC**
- **Manage/support Traffic Signal Plan**
- **Provide comfort**
- **Support to First Responders**
- **Provide local buses for evacuee movement**
- **Operate Assembly Areas & Transfer Points**
- **Provide representatives to ESF's (Transportation/JIC)**
- **Provide mutual support to other NoVA jurisdictions**

Sequence of Plans

