2018 Emergency Management Report
Emergency Management Office is responsible for development and updates to the County’s Emergency Operations plans, Hazmat or Strategic Plan, Off-Site plans for facilities with extremely hazardous substances, and Hazard Mitigation Plan to name a few.

This planning includes such things as preparation for storms, flooding, evacuation, hazmat spills, fires, updating Local and County leadership contacts, communication systems and redundancy, Warning systems, Health and Medical call lists, Law enforcement integration into events and even radiological concerns.

The office also has to test these plans through a series of drills and exercises. This is driven not only by the need to test plans, but also by what local response groups are looking to test.
Emergency Management Office requirements and duties.

- Currently the EM office controls most of the input into our notification system. This includes entering and removing users and testing the system internally.
- The EM office is required to collect damage information and prepare it to be forwarded to the State and Federal responders if requested.
- The EM is the Coordinator of information and minute/agenda preparer for the Local Planning Committee. This Committee acts separately from the Emergence Services Committee and is charged with the approval of Off Site Plans and the Strategic Plan with attachments for the county. They are also the lead when it comes to billing responsible parties for spills and cleanup.
- 2017 Tornado reimbursements from WI Disaster Fund now complete, with the final check delivered last week.
Other groups and Committees EM Director is involved with on the County and Regions behalf.

- Wisconsin Emergency Management Association Regional Rep NW Board Member.
- Plan of Work Workgroup, as the regional rep. This committee works with the state to create the POW or contract for work performance between the State and the Counties.
- Homeland Security Advisory Committee Workgroup. Provide input to the state on how HS funds should be spent.
- Disaster Assessment Workgroup. Computerizing disaster assessment, done on paper in the past.

- Thomas Hall/Director Rusk County Emergency Management