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## *Iowa Silver Jackets Flood Risk Management Team Charter*



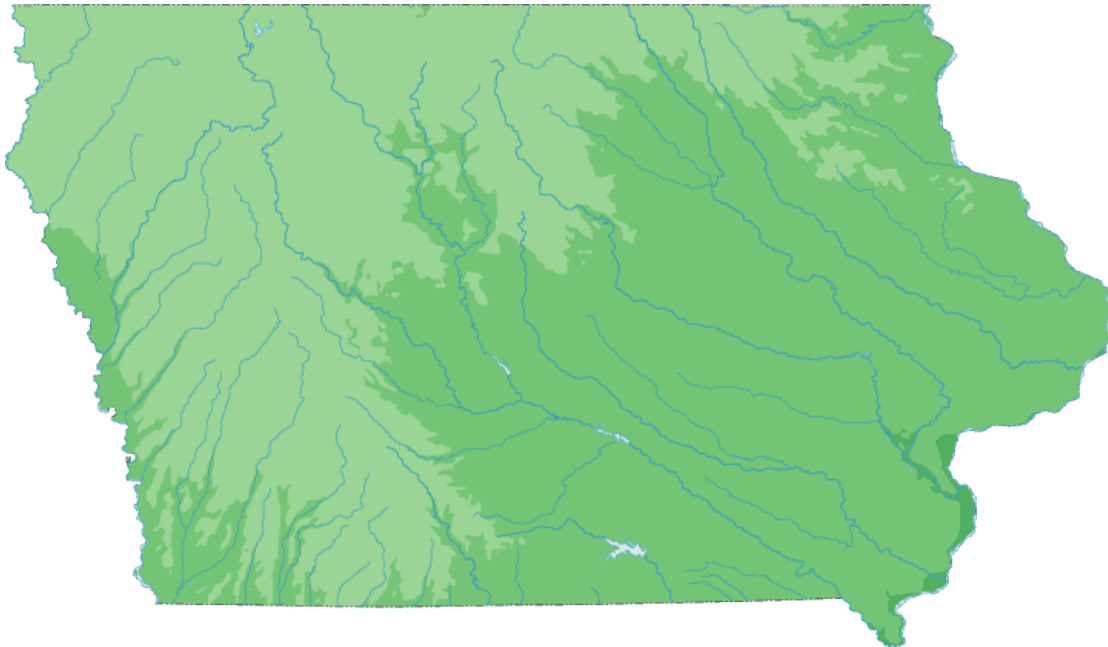
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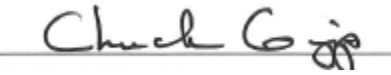
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### State Signatories



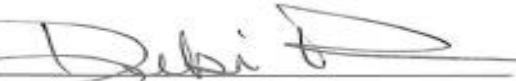
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Iowa of Homeland Security and  
Emergency Management Department

Date: 2/30/15



Mr. Chuck Gipp, Director  
Iowa Department of Natural Resources

Date: 7/22/2015



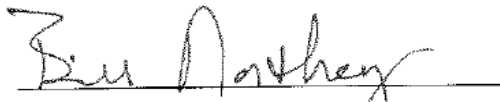
Ms. Debi Durham, Director  
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Mr. Paul Trombino III, Director  
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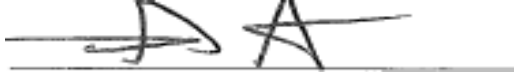
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Mr. Bill Northey, Secretary  
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Date: 9/23/15

### Federal Signatories



COL Craig S. Baumgartner, Commander  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Rock Island District

Date: 7 Oct 15



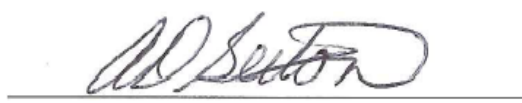
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Omaha District

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COL Daniel C. Koprowski, Commander  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
St. Paul District

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COL Andrew D. Sexton, Commander  
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Ms. Beth Freeman, Regional Administrator  
Department of Homeland Security  
Federal Emergency Management Agency,  
Region VII

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Mr. Jay Mar, Iowa State Conservationist  
Natural Resources Conservation Service

Date: 7/1/15



Mr. Christopher Strager, Central Region, Director  
NOAA - National Weather Service

Date: 7/24/15



Mr. Kevin Richards, Center Director  
USGS - Iowa Water Science Center

Date: 8/14/15

## Other Signatories



Dr. Witold F. Krajewski, Director  
Iowa Flood Center, University of Iowa

Date: 21 July 2015



Mr. Adrian Holmes, P.E., CFM  
Iowa Floodplain and Stormwater Management Association

Date: 7/21/2015

*Iowa Silver Jackets*  
**Interagency Flood Risk Management Team Charter**

This interagency team charter establishes a collaborative process for the Silver Jackets Interagency Flood Risk Management Team for the State of Iowa. This charter will be reviewed and may be revised at any time by the consent of the core agencies.

**VISION STATEMENT**

*Intergovernmental partnerships that foster and contribute to comprehensive and sustainable management of flood risk throughout the state of Iowa.*

**MISSION STATEMENT**

Iowa Silver Jackets Interagency Flood Risk Management Team will:

- influence the development and implementation of watershed initiatives;
- work to mitigate the threat, vulnerability and consequences of flooding throughout the State of Iowa;
- create a mechanism to collaboratively recommend and implement flood risk management solutions;
- share available flood risk management and other water related resources and information among agencies;
- increase and improve flood risk communication and outreach;
- promote wise stewardship of the taxpayers' investments in flood risk management;
- develop more comprehensive regional flood risk management strategies through participation in the Regional Interagency Flood Risk Management Team;
- inform the Federal- and State-level agency directors during response and recovery activities; and
- integrate mitigation into recovery actions within the National Disaster Recovery Framework, Infrastructure Recovery Support Function, as appropriate.

**GOALS**

- Ensure interagency agreements and protocols are in place to foster continuous pre- and post-disaster collaboration
- Regularly schedule meetings to examine solutions for flood risk management and other water related issues
- Develop and maintain a common information matrix of State and Federal programs which identifies limitations and opportunities for flood risk management
- Provide a multi-agency technical resource gateway for state and local agencies
- Develop and execute a unified action plan for implementing high priority actions identified in the State's hazard mitigation plan
- Develop and encourage the implementation of a joint outreach program to deliver a unified flood risk message

- Jointly provide specific input to agencies on barriers that their existing programs, policies or processes present to effective flood risk management
- Share information on past and future projects and initiatives through a regular electronic newsletter, blog, website and social media
- Prioritize current and future initiatives individually and collectively

## **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Other State and Federal agencies may choose to participate in this initiative; however; the following core agencies will be involved at all times:

- Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department
- Iowa Department of Natural Resources
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- National Weather Service
- U.S. Geological Survey

The Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department is the coordinating State agency.

Core agencies are expected to be represented at all formal meetings of the team. Signatory agencies are welcome to attend all formal meetings and will be kept abreast of team activities. Signatory agencies and other organizations as warranted may participate on task forces assembled by the team for the accomplishment of specifically defined tasks, studies or events. The results of task force work may or may not be directly attributed to the team, as determined by the signatories at a formal meeting.

## **MEETINGS**

With the support of all team members, the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department will coordinate and facilitate team meetings. Meeting agendas will be determined by the core agencies with input invited from all signatory agencies. Meeting summaries shall be provided to the signatory agencies.

## **DECISIONS**

Decisions during meetings will be accomplished through participatory, collaborative discussion of all signatories present resulting in the consent of all.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

All commitments and participation by each Federal or State agency or organization in the actions and activities covered by this Charter is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds and budget priorities. Nothing in this Charter, in and of itself, or any decisions made by the team, obligates the parties to expend appropriations or to enter into any contract, assistance agreement, interagency agreement or other financial obligation.