2-28 FLOOD CONTROL CHANNEL ACTION PLAN

Related SOP(s), Form(s), Other Resource(s), and Rescinded Special Order(s):

A. Related SOP(s)
   None

B. Form(s)
   None

C. Other Resource(s)
   None

D. Rescinded Special Order(s)
   None

2-28-1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide an action plan for Albuquerque Police Department (Department) personnel in the event of a verified victim within the flood control channels and arroyos of Albuquerque. It is also purpose of this policy to require Department personnel to expedite rescue services to any victim(s) within the flood control channels and arroyos.

2-28-2 Policy

It is the policy of the Albuquerque Police Department to establish an action plan for Department personnel to identify victims trapped in flood control channels and arroyos, and for the Emergency Communications Center (ECC) to coordinate communications with Albuquerque Fire Rescue (AFR) in order to expedite rescue resources for victims through a unified response.

2-28-3 Definitions

None

2-28-4 Rules and Procedures

A. Responsibilities

   1. ECC Personnel Responsibilities
a. ECC Control shall contact the AFR Alarm Room to initiate the Flood Control Channel Action Plan at the first indication of a drowning victim in a flood control channel or an arroyo.
b. An ECC Dispatcher shall dispatch Department personnel to the spotter/prearranged checkpoints.
c. ECC personnel shall secure the frequency for the purpose of coordinating the rescue between personnel involved in the incident.

2. Department personnel who respond to the incident shall:
   a. Confirm whether the victim is trapped in a flood control channel or arroyo based on high water levels;
   b. Act as spotters of the victim’s location and direction of travel in the flood control channel or arroyo, and shall relay this information to the ECC and/or their supervisor; and
   c. Keep community members who are observing the incident away from the flood control channel or arroyo and stop them from attempting an unauthorized rescue.

3. Department personnel who respond to the incident shall not enter the flood control channel or arroyo to initiate a water rescue of the victim.

4. If available, a supervisor shall respond to the AFR prearranged command post location for the purpose of relaying radio information from AFR to Department personnel.

B. Flood Control Action Plan Northeast, Foothills, and/or Southeast Area Command Spotter/Prearranged Check Point Deployment Locations

1. Embudo Channel/Main Channel Plan
   a. Foothills area command spotter/check point location:
      i. Embudo Channel/Eubank Blvd NE.
   b. Northeast area spotter/ check point locations:
      i. Embudo Channel/Moon St NE;
      ii. Embudo Channel/Wyoming Blvd NE; and
      iii. Embudo Channel/Pennsylvania St NE.
   c. Southeast area command spotter/check point locations:
      i. Main Channel (I-40)/Louisiana Blvd NE (overpass);
      ii. Main Channel (I-40)/San Pedro Dr NE;
      iii. Main Channel (I-40)/San Mateo Blvd NE (overpass);
      iv. Main Channel (I-40)/Washington St NE (overpass); and
      v. Main Channel (I-40)/Carlisle Blvd NE (overpass).

2. Hahn Channel Plan
   a. Northeast area command spotter/check point locations:

N/A
i. North Hahn Channel/San Pedro Dr NE;
ii. Hahn Channel/San Pedro Dr NE;
iii. Hahn Channel/San Mateo Blvd NE;
iv. Hahn Channel/Monroe St NE;
v. Hahn Channel/Washington St NE;
vi. Hahn Channel/Morningside S NE; and
vii. Hahn Channel/Carlisle Blvd NE.

N/A

C. Northeast, Foothills, and/or Southeast Supervisor Deployment Locations

1. Embudo/Main Channel Plan
   a. Embudo Channel/Snow Park (9501 Indian School Blvd NE).
   b. North Diversion Main Channel/Menaul Blvd NE.

2. Hahn Channel Plan
   a. Hahn Channel at Montgomery Park on Comanche Blvd NE.