

Regional Emergency Communication System for the General Public

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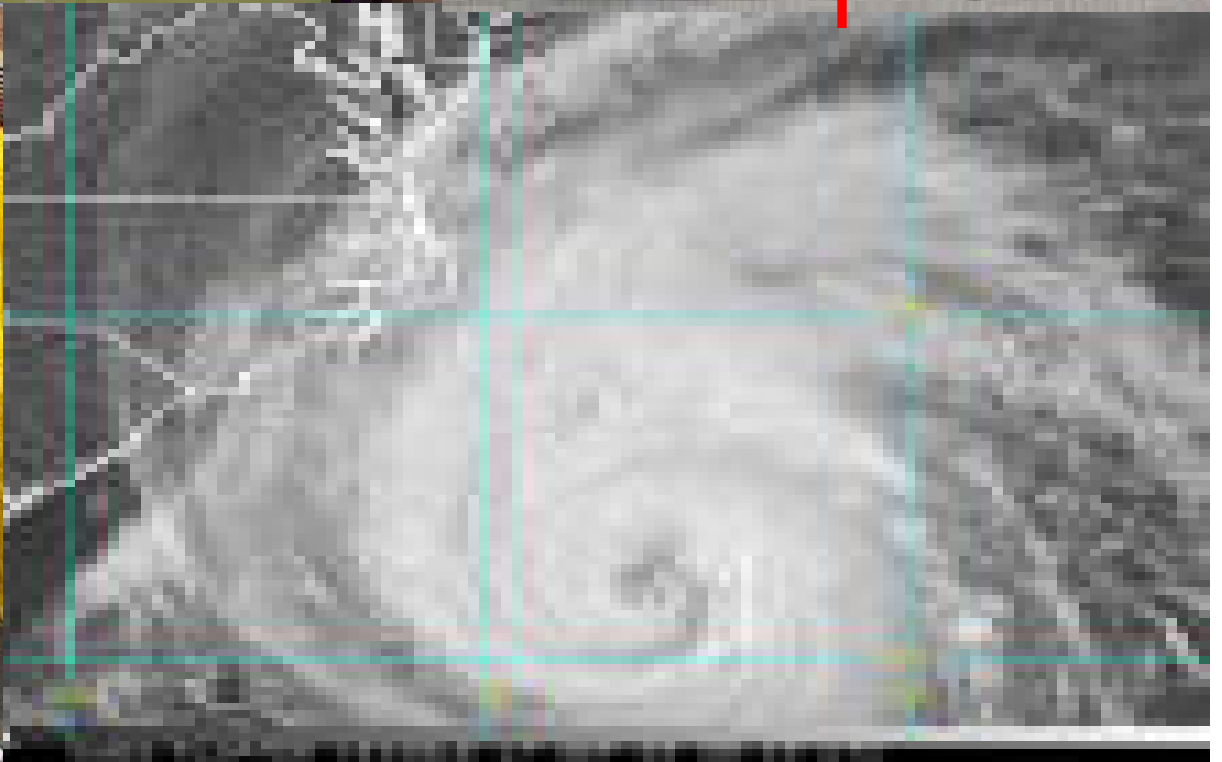
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Regional Communication Challenges

- Emergencies overlap jurisdictions
- Governments are obliged to provide direction to the community
- Governments want control over information
- Varied technologies in use
- Community wants information now
- Media have limitations

Set-Up the Hub

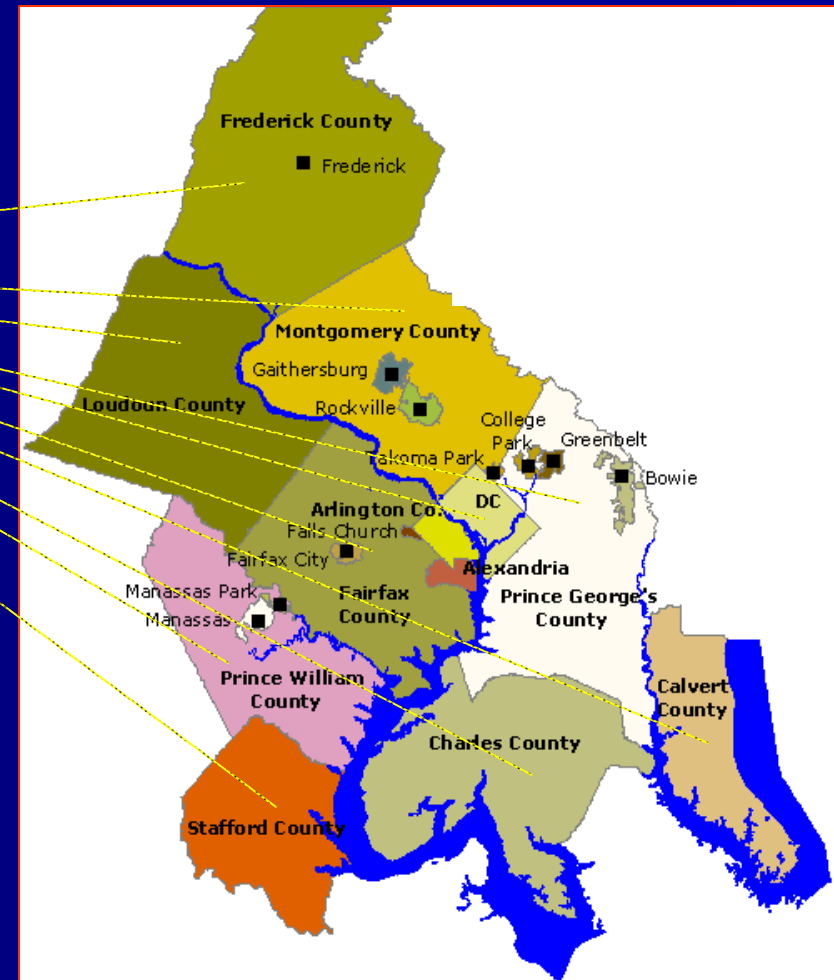
- Regional Emergency Communication "**Hub**"

Central phone system

- Manage calls
- Direct to correct jurisdiction

Central web system

- Direct links to jurisdictions and targeted sites



How To Make It Happen

- Coordinate and improve existing resources
- Develop policy for procedures implementation
- Develop communication system

Next Steps

- COG take ownership of project
 - Set up website and telephone number
 - Implement a public education plan
- Local jurisdictions will maintain website and telephone information

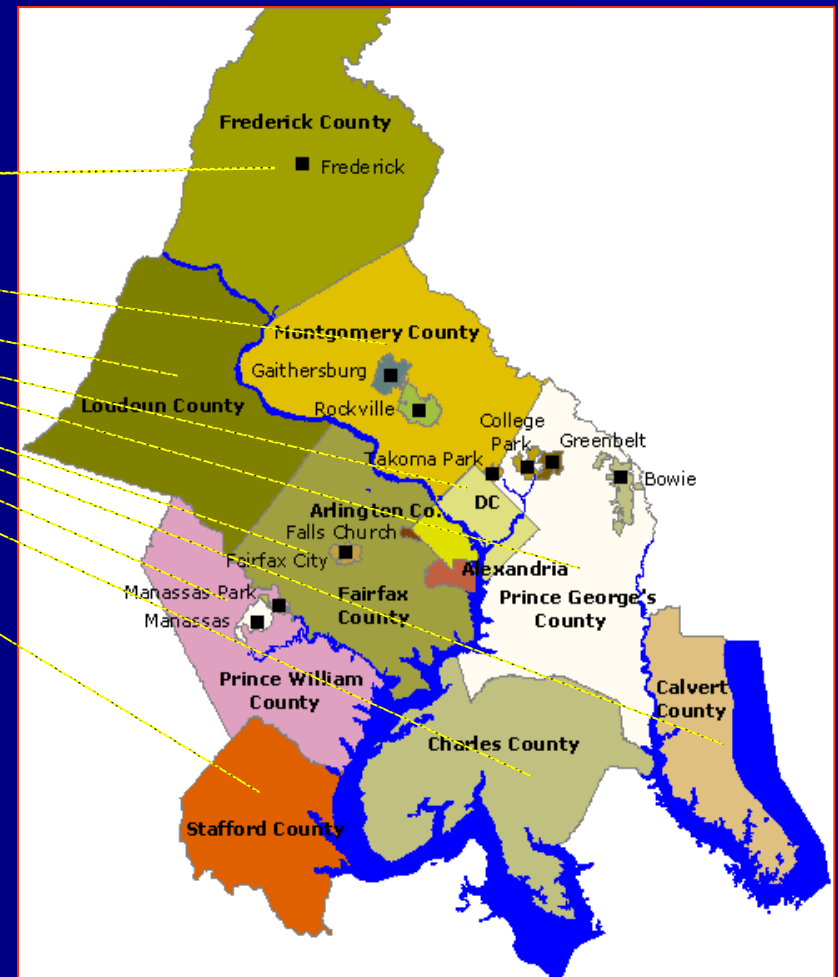
Improved Regional Communication

- Real time – Real information
- Community empowerment and partnerships
- Coordination of existing systems
- Reinforces Homeland Security initiatives

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- Easily implemented
- Proactive, prepared and ready!



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