JACKSON COUNTY, IOWA

RESOLUTION NO# 376-04-29-08

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND IMPLEMENTING
THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)

WHEREAS, Homeland Security Presidential Directive / HSPD-5, 28 Feb 2003 established the National Incident Management System (NIMS); and

WHEREAS, the NIMS establishes a single, comprehensive approach to domestic incident management to ensure that all levels of government across the Nation have the capability to work efficiently and effectively together using a national approach to domestic incident management; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS provides a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, and local governments to work together to prepare for and respond to, and recover from domestic incidents regardless of the cause, size or complexity; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS provides for interoperability and compatibility among Federal, State and local capabilities and includes a core set of concepts, principles, terminology and technologies covering the incident command system, unified command, training, management of resources and reporting; and

WHEREAS, beginning October 1, 2004 all Federal departments and agencies shall make adoption of the NIMS a requirement, to the extent provided by law, for providing Federal preparedness assistance through grants, contracts or other activities to local governments;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that Jackson County, Iowa and its emergency related departments hereby resolve to:

1. Adopt the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as its system of preparing for and responding to disaster incidents;

2. Support and participate in Jackson County's multi-agency coordination system by using the County's Emergency Operations Center (EOC); Mobile Incident Command Post, and/or 911 Communications/Dispatch Center as need arises;

3. Support and participate in Jackson County's multi-agency public information system (i.e., Joint Information System and Joint Information Center) to communicate emergency information to the public;

4. Develop an internal process to direct federal preparedness funding to locally implement the National Incident Management System (i.e., NIMS);

5. Revise county emergency plans, policies, mutual aid agreements, and associated documents to ensure the use of NIMS and ICS concepts and terminology in emergency planning and response activities;

6. Join the Iowa Mutual Aid Compact and other mutual aid agreements as appropriate;

7. Direct that appropriate county officers and employees be trained in the use of NIMS and ICS concepts, practices, and procedures;

8. Conduct, or participate in, an annual exercise (i.e., tabletop, functional or full-scale) incorporating National Incident Management System, Incident Command System, Multiple Agency Coordination System (MACS), and Joint Information System (JIS) concepts and practices;

9. Classify and inventory local resources according to federally prescribed standards; and

10. Utilize plain language when involved in an emergency event involving two or more emergency response agencies.
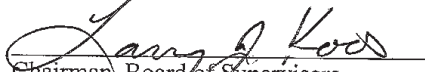
ADOPTED this 29th day of April, 2008, by a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: _____3_____

NAYS: _____∅_____

ABSENT: _____∅_____

APPROVED BY:

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Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Jackson County Board of Supervisors

ATTESTED TO BY:

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Joell Deppe
Jackson County Auditor