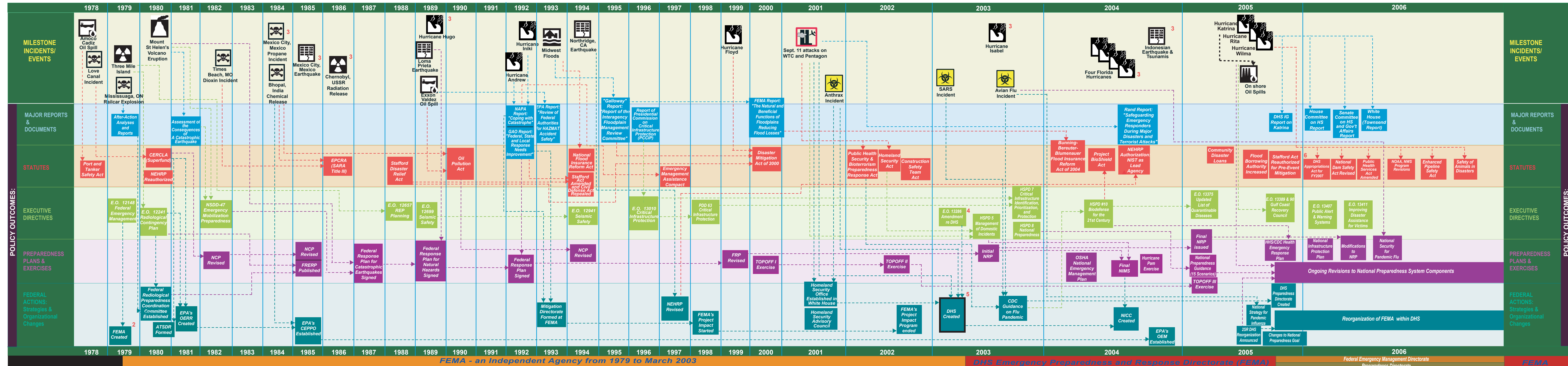


Disaster Time Line: Major Focusing Events and U.S. Outcomes (1978 - 2006)

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FOOTNOTES

¹Information about the authors is available at the project website: <http://www.disaster-timeline.com>.

²FEMA's existence as an independent agency spanned the period of April 1979 to March 2003. Between March 1, 2003 and November 1, 2005, the functions of FEMA were housed in the Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate. The use of the term FEMA was authorized by the Secretary of DHS in August 2003 as an administrative convenience. From November 1, 2005 until March 31, 2007, the functions of FEMA transferred to DHS on March 1, 2003 were housed in two Directorates, each led by an Under Secretary: the Federal Emergency Management Directorate and the Preparedness Directorate. The United States Fire Administration (USFA) was housed during that period in the Preparedness Directorate.

³These were influential events but did not result in direct policy outcomes.

⁴Transferred Stafford Act authority from FEMA to the Secretary of DHS.

⁵FEMA no longer is an independent agency; it is subsumed within DHS.

⁶The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (Title VI) is part of the law.

NOTE: This chart highlights domestic natural disasters and non-terrorism events. For terrorism-related events and outcomes, see the *Terrorism Time Line* at the project website listed above.

LEGEND

- Earthquake
- Flood
- Volcano
- Hurricane
- Radiological incident
- Biological Attack/Incident
- Chemical Attack/Incident
- Sept. 11 attacks on WTC and Pentagon
- Oil incident on water
- Oil incident on land
- Influence or Determinant

ABBREVIATIONS

2SR	Second Stage Review	EHRA	Earthquake Hazards	HAZMAT	Hazardous Material	NEPA	National Environmental	OSHA	Occupational Safety &
ATSDR	Agency for Toxic	HHS	Health Services	HHS	Department of Health and	NICCC	National Integration	PHS	Public Health Service
	Substances and Disease	HHS	Human Services	HSOC	Homeland Security	NIMS	National Incident	PPCCIP	Presidential Commission
	Registry	HHS	Operations Center	HHS	Operations Center	NIST	National Institute of	R&D	Research and Development
CEPPO	Chemical Emergency	HHS	Homeland Security	HHS	Homeland Security	NIST	National Institute of	REP	Radiological Emergency
	Preparedness and	HHS	Operations Center	HHS	Operations Center	NIST	National Institute of	SARS	Severe Acute Respiratory
	Prevention Office, EPA	HHS	Inspector General	HHS	Inspector General	NIST	National Institute of	SARS	Superfund Amendments
CDC	Centers for Disease Control	HHS	Inspector General	HHS	Inspector General	NIST	National Institute of	SARS	& Reauthorization Act
	and Prevention	HHS	Metro Medical Strike Teams	HHS	Metro Medical Strike Teams	NIST	National Institute of	SARS	Severe Acute Respiratory
		HHS	National Academy of	HHS	National Academy of	NIST	National Institute of	SARS	Syndrome
CERCLA	Comprehensive	HHS	National Administration	HHS	National Administration	NIST	National Institute of	TOPOFF	Top Officials
	Environmental	HHS	Public Administration	HHS	Public Administration	NIST	National Institute of	WTC	World Trade Center
	Response,	HHS	National Oil & Hazardous	HHS	National Oil & Hazardous	NIST	National Institute of		
	Compensation &	HHS	Substance Pollution	HHS	Substance Pollution	NIST	National Institute of		
	Liability Act (Superfund)	HHS	Contingency Plan	HHS	Contingency Plan	NIST	National Institute of		
DHS	Department of Homeland	HHS	National Earthquake	HHS	National Earthquake	NIST	National Institute of		
	Security	HHS	Hazards Reduction	HHS	Hazards Reduction	NIST	National Institute of		
DHUD	Department of Housing and	HHS	Program	HHS	Program	NIST	National Institute of		
	Urban Development	HHS		HHS		NIST	National Institute of		

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