



Land Use Permit

Conservation Commission

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Submittal Date: May 28, 2024

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Number of people: 40 Number of cars: 10-12 on site in parking area

What location do you wish to use (please circle)? **Bumble Bee Park** George and Lucy Yapp Conservation Land
Hartwell Reserve Long Lake Park Mill Hill Newtown Hill Oak Hill Mary Shepherd Conservation Land

Other: **Oak Hill parking area and access road to water tower. Request closure of Oak Hill Rd parking area to the public during the event**

Please indicate on an attached map the primary area to be used

No water or sanitary facilities are available at any location

Gate to property (if any) is to be kept locked. A Key will be given to the person signing the permit. A \$10.00 key deposit will be returned at the end of the use period (LELW will unlock gate)

Please have this permit signed by representatives of the Littleton Police and Fire Departments so we may be assured they have knowledge of your proposed use (if required by Conservation Commission)..


Signature: Police Department


Signature: Fire Department

Will an open fire be used: Yes ___ No ******* ___ If yes, has a fire permit been obtained

Remarks: _____

Signature: Conservation Commission/Date

Signature: Applicant/Date

Cc: land steward _____

NOTE that if there are any changes to the approved Land Use, they must be pre-approved by the Conservation Commission or Conservation Department staff



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Period of use/date and time: Aug 17, 2024

Please submit application at least two weeks in advance of use

Brief explanation of use (attach additional information if necessary): Community Emergency Response Team / Littleton Volunteer Corps joint emergency response training exercise.

Permit Holder: Please post this page on the entrance kiosk or similar location at least 48 hours before your use

At recent planning meetings of the LVC, Rehab was identified as a priority area for training. This training would include an exercise. In addition it is possible, in certain situations, that such operations would require the assistance of mutual aid. It is also identified that there is a need for additional outreach to other area teams for the purpose of improving our ability to seamlessly work with other teams.

This is a working draft, overview document subject to regular updates and modification

General areas to address

Overall disaster response preparedness

General Rehab support operations for first responders and events. ICS

CERT Team rehab is defined by FEMA as firefighter rehabilitation is the process of providing rest, rehydration, nourishment and medical evaluation to those involved in extended or extreme incident scene operations

Multi CERT team involvement (Mutual Aid) and coordination

Non typical situation or scenario with logistical challenges

Integration within an ongoing larger scale operation (simulated)

Objectives

Reinforce the fundamentals of basic REHAB in incident or event support

Examples where Rehab support may be needed:

First responder operations, extended

Search and rescue operations

Disaster operations support

Short term emergency evacuation shelter support

Large scale outdoor public event support

Development and execution of an Incident Action Plan within ICS

An incident action plan would be developed that addresses the inclusion of mutual aid and logistical challenges presented by an emergency situation with limited vehicular access

Utilize and coordinate with other area CERT teams on a mutual aid basis

Incident/ exercise proposed date: Aug 17 2024 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Location: Site of the Oak Hill water tower, tower access road, Conservation entrance parking lot on Oak Hill Road

Scenario:

Late June event. Weather is sunny at 85 degrees moderate humidity and 10 MPH variable wind primarily from the northeast

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A small plane crashes (simulated /on paper) in a wooded area (Oak Hill) with resultant fire and two victims. Initial First responder efforts are focused on access and conducting a rescue operation (simulated/ on paper). As a result a wildland fire initially grows unchecked and encompasses a large area. Mutual aid resources are brought in to assist both in rescue and fire control. 70 first responders and other authorities expected to be on scene for extended operations. A need for conducting rehab operations at a location off road is identified by Command. CERT is activated to support rehab ops.

The CERT operation will be multifaceted due to the need to establish a point of rehab or mobile rehab off road with somewhat challenging terrain and access that prevents typical vehicular based rehab operations such as what is provided by DFS, Rehab 5, Boston Sparks rehab units.

- Base of operations and logistics
- Remote rehab area on Oak hill (possibly at the water tower site)
- Supply and personnel transport
- Integration with EMS, mutual aid CERT and others

Note CERT teams near Littleton will be integrated into operations in a manner that is beneficial to those teams in training and planning that may affect their jurisdiction. Other CERT teams will be asked to provide volunteers who will role play as first responders

Additional notes:

- A fundamental rehab refresher training opportunity should be provided prior to the event
- A pre incident briefing event should be planned
 - This would include how to address access & transportation issues
- Independent observers should be on hand to develop feedback comments
- An independent safety officer will be necessary

Resources to be mobilized to the forward area:

- Bottled water & electrolyte drinks
- Ice
- Sweat towels
- First aid supplies
- Light snacks
- Folding chairs
- Pop up tents
- Table
- Support equipment such as lights, radios, maps

- EMS (LFD) intervention team
- AED's

Logistical Support Resources

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UTV to transport equip and personnel from Street
UTV to serve as mobile rehab support

Passenger van for role players and response teams

Tents, chairs, coolers, towels, "hero wipes" (sweat towels), first aid supplies

Radios

A regional cache may also be needed (MEMA?)

Bottled water, Ice, Snacks

Pre Exercise checklist

Rehab refresher training
Pre incident briefing

Emergency Management Director approval (preliminarily approved May 2024. To be reviewed by new Chief/EMD after June 3)

Water Department permission/approval to use water tower site on Oak Hill and Whitcomb Ave site

Conservation Commission approval

Close parking lot at Oak Hill Entrance

Note: there will be very limited impact to open lands other than parking lot & access road/trail. Trails could remain open but no public parking at oak hill entrance

Police Dept assistance at parking area

No parking signage
Officer on site at the parking lot

Staging / participant parking area near site

Pepsi ?
VFW ?
LWD Whitcomb Ave site

Transport Van

Littleton elder and human services
Others as needed and identified

UTV /ATV

Littleton
Ayer
Boxboro

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**Volunteers to role play as firefighters needing rehab (no more than 20)
Littleton Rotary
CERT teams not involved as mutual aid in the operation**

Standby EMS crew (Fire Dept)

Key positions

Drill coordinator

**Assistant coordinator
Coordinator for role player volunteers
Logistics coordinator
After action/ Hot wash coordinator**

Safety Officer

Liaison officer (if needed)

Observers

**MEMA
FD Command level Officer
Other observers**