

# Glynn Unified Command – Operation Golden Horizon

## Fact Sheet 2

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### Executive Summary:

Planning efforts are continuing with the focus upon jury selection beginning October 18.

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### Facts

1. ***What is going to be discussed at the town hall meeting on Thursday, October 14 at the Brunswick-Glynn County Library?*** – Members of the Executive Policy Group will be prepared to answer any question that does not compromise the safety or security of citizens and first responders.
2. ***Why is this event not being led by just one agency or person?*** – Because this event crosses multiple jurisdictions and public safety disciplines, the Unified Command structure is required in submission to the following Georgia Code:

O.C.G.A. 38-3-57 (2010)

38-3-57. Establishment of standardized, verifiable, performance based unified incident command system; utilization; training; implementation; funding

(a) The Georgia Emergency Management Agency shall establish and maintain, in collaboration with all appropriate state agencies and volunteer organizations with emergency support function roles and professional organizations that represent local public safety agencies, including the Emergency Management Association of Georgia, the Georgia Association of Police Chiefs, the Georgia Fire Chiefs' Association, and the Georgia Sheriffs' Association, a standardized, verifiable, performance based unified incident command system.

(b) Such system shall be consistent with the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan and shall be utilized in response to emergencies and disasters referenced in the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan, including presidentially declared disasters and states of emergency issued by the Governor.

(c) The Georgia Emergency Management Agency, in cooperation with the Georgia Public Safety Training Center and the Georgia Forestry Commission, shall develop or adopt a course of instruction for use in training and certifying emergency response personnel in unified incident command.

(d) All local public safety and emergency response organizations, including emergency management agencies, law enforcement agencies, fire departments, and emergency medical services, shall implement the standardized unified incident command system provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section by October 1, 2004.

(e) Local agencies that have not established such system by October 1, 2004, shall not be eligible for state reimbursement for any response or recovery related expenses.

3. ***What is this going to cost and who is paying for all of this?*** – The estimated cost for the event is being developed.
4. ***How is the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) involved?*** – According to best practices, all events begin and end locally. In an intentional effort to better prepare local responders for this event, training and planning efforts were performed by GEMA at the request of the Executive Policy Group. While some of that original team engaged in late July returned to their primary offices the last week of September, GEMA remains committed to the effort with a minimum of four staff locally as well as all available staff that can support us remotely.
5. ***How is the Glynn County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) involved?*** – In early planning efforts, there was an understanding that the GCSO would maintain security planning for courtroom, courthouse grounds and specific locations aside from the courthouse within their area of responsibility. To coordinate planning and comply with ICS/NIMS per O.C.G.A. 38-3-57, the GCSO joined as an active participant of the Unified Command with the addition of Incident Commander Justin Juliano. Planning between all participating agencies is now done jointly.
6. ***Who calls in the National Guard? Why would they come?*** – We have no reason to believe that the National Guard will be deployed by Governor Kemp.

## Approval

Approved By: All ICs

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