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Are You Ready for an Emergency?

Suppose a flood overtakes your town, a tornado, a toxic chemical spill, or an epidemic. Would you know how to trigger the various responses needed to minimize short-term damage and stimulate long-term recovery?

The chief elected official (mayor, county board chair, etc.) of each government unit is the responsible authority in such situations.

Attend our **November 14 WisLine** and learn how to:

- declare a state of emergency
- request assistance
- develop and follow an emergency plan
- communicate with first responders, the media and the public.

Can't attend?

Order a Materials Bundle (the printed and audio portions) of a WisLine program at this link:

<http://www.uwex.edu/lgc/materials> .

We cannot actually send you the materials until after the WisLine occurs (because the audio portion is recorded at the live WisLine) but you may pre-order.

WisLines Coming Up

Current Issues Series:

Nov. 14: **Emergency Government Overview: Are You Ready?**

Dec. 12: **The Many Roads to County Strategic Planning.** Benefit your county board, departments, and citizens by doing strategic planning – real-life case histories from three Wisconsin counties serve as examples.

Conducting Local Elections Series:

Nov. 21: **Getting Candidates on the Spring Ballot.** Spring filing deadlines, nomination papers, and related topics.

Nov. 30: **Caucus Procedures for Towns and Villages.** The proper way to conduct a caucus.

Local Land Use Planning & Zoning Series:

Nov. 15: **Implementation of the Livestock Facility Siting Law.** State standards for new and expanded livestock facilities.

Dec. 20: **Impact Fees and Other Methods of Funding Local Improvements** Ways to pay for roads, parks, trails and other public improvements.

More details and registration brochures at:

<http://www.uwex.edu/lgc/wislines>



In the Pipeline

Wisconsin ranks near the top of all states in number of Business Improvement Districts (BIDs). Early in 2007, a live interactive "web-based" program will review the status of BIDs, with discussion from BID managers about their districts and accomplishments. Watch for registration information in our next newsletter or on our website.