

XI. ORDER OF SUCCESSION

Order of succession describes the transition of authority from one individual to another in the event that critically tasked personnel are not available or are otherwise unable to perform their functions. For purposes of this plan, Incident Commander refers to the person with overall authority for implementing and directing the actions in preparation for or response to an incident, emergency or disaster. Overall incident management authority for the Museum rests with the Museum Director.

Fast developing incidents will be managed using standard ICS Command and General Staff positions will be filled from the ranks of the available ERT. Due to the limited staff available to the Museum this plan only addresses order of succession for the Museum's Incident Commander, Operations Section Chief, Planning Section Chief, Admin/Finance Chief and Logistics Section Chief. Each department will address order of succession within their own standard operating procedures. For gradually developing incidents, emergencies and disasters the order of succession is as follows:

Incident Commander	Operations Chief	Logistics Chief	Planning Chief	Admin/Finance
Museum Director or THPO Director	Operations Manager ¹	Collections Officer	Curator of Exhibits	Development Officer
Museum Director or THPO Director	Head of Security ¹	Maintenance Shift Supervisor		Business Manager
Museum Director or THPO Director	Sr. Security Officer	Senior Maintenance Personnel	Programs Officer	THPO Admin

¹ In the event that none of the Incident Commander designees are available at the onset of an incident, this individual may fill the Incident Commander Position until it can be filled by one of the primary designees.

XII. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Delegation of emergency authority is implicit in the Museum Director's appointment of individuals to fill Incident Command positions. These individuals are authorized to make the emergency decisions necessary to carry out their emergency responsibilities. In all cases, the Incident Command System chain of command will be followed.

Administrative authority is addressed in the Direction and Control Section.