

The Region 8 EPA Preparedness Unit is comprised of programs that assist communities and facilities with emergency preparedness and accident prevention. The activities focus on strengthening the ability of EPA, local, state, and other response organizations to respond effectively to future chemical/oil emergencies and environmental crises, and share lessons learned about chemical accidents. Through the Programs that make up the Unit, compliance assistance is available to support facilities for applicable regulatory programs. Regional program outreach efforts are also conducted to educated stakeholders, regulators, State Emergency Response Commissions (SERCs), Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs), industry, and the public about chemical emergency preparedness and accident prevention.



Preparedness Unit Mission:

Increase EPA Region 8 preparedness and prevention through:

- Planning, training, exercising, and developing outreach relations with federal agencies, states, tribes, local organizations, and the regulated community.
- Assisting in the development of EPA Region 8 preparedness planning and response capabilities through the Response Support Corps, Incident Management Team, Regional Response Team, Oil Pollution Act, Risk Management Plan, Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act, Continuity of Operations, Homeland Security, etc.
- Working with facilities to reduce accidents and spills through education, inspections and compliance assistance.

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