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EXPLANATION OF MATERIAL TRANSMITTED:

This Departmental Manual (DM) release updates Part 900, Chapter 4, Continuity of Operations Program (COOP), and Part 900, Chapter 5, National Security Emergency Preparedness (NSEP). The Office of Emergency Management has revised 900 DM 4 and 5 to align with the significant changes to Emergency Management law, Presidential policy, and Federal guidance that have been established since the last version of this policy was put in place in 2006.

Chapters 900 DM 4 and 5 serve as a compendium to 900 DM 1 to update Departmental policy and uniform guidance for the development and implementation of contingency plans for COOP and NSEP. COOP and NSEP planning facilitate the performance of the Department's essential functions during the full range of human-caused, natural, technological, and national security emergencies. While similar in concept, this update is a complete revision of the 2006 version due to significant changes in FEMA and White House policies, guidance, and requirements that have been put in place since the 2006 version was published.

The Nation's and the Department's emergency management programs have significantly matured and improved since 2006 based on lessons learned from multiple major disasters that occurred between 2001 and 2016. As such, the Departmental policy last published in 2006 is being revised to continue the Department's upward trend to be prepared for incidents of all types and sizes. As part of the complete revision of the 900 DM series, the order of the 900 DM series is being adjusted to reflect a logical subject matter flow through the chapters 1 through 5.

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