

	FEMA National Urban Search & Rescue Response System	
	Informational Bulletin	
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Sponsored Course SP2024-016

On behalf of the National Urban Search & Rescue (US&R) Response System (the System), in conjunction with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), a Structures Specialist (StS) Regional Training (RT) Course will be held at Pennsylvania Task Force One (PA-TF1) on July 13-14, 2024. This will be the second delivery of the Version 8 curriculum.

This training course is offered to System StS personnel who need refresher training. This training focuses on Damaged Building Assessment, Crane Chart use, Shoring Size-up/Design, Survey 123 and QuickCapture, Task Force interactions during an US&R response and Advanced Total Station Monitoring. Students who completed StS1 training and any previous RT training are highly encouraged to attend this RT skills enhancement session. This training will sharpen and add to knowledge that will enhance System capabilities and readiness.

Applications should be submitted by June 21, 2024. To register for the course, fill out the online application at www.DisasterEngineer.org (select “Training Applications” from the top menu and click on the desired training course). The training is provided at no charge to the student; however, travel, hotel, and per diem costs will be the responsibility of the student and/or their task force. Students will be responsible for transportation from their hotel to the training location. This updated curriculum is based on feedback from StS within, and in support of, the System. Under ESF #9, and by Interagency Agreement, the USACE is directed to provide and facilitate training for StS. **System StS are required to bring one task force Total Station and a tripod for each one or two StS a task force sends to the RT training class.**

Any questions related to this training can be directed to Jeff Qunell, USACE US&R Program Manager at: (415) 503-6616 or: Jeffrey.J.Qunell@usace.army.mil. Alternate information contact is Alan Fisher (MA-TF1) at (207) 415-7558 or : afisher@cianbro.com.

Attachments:

USACE StS East Regional Training Logistics and Registration Letter

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- US&R Strategic Group
- US&R Advisory Group
- US&R Branch Staff
- FEMA Regional/Federal/International ESF #9 Representatives
- USACE, Jeff Qunell