FFCA Fire Service Liaison Officer’s Information Dissemination for April 1, 2020
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Current Situation:

- Primary focus on ensuring and supporting Miami-Dade with making emergency management plans operational to include medical surge plans.
- Dade positive cases have seen significant increase and Dade has 80% higher positives than Broward.
- Florida is currently seeing 12% positive results in tests performed.
- Evaluating options for housing healthcare workers in hotels in Miami/Dade to assist in maintaining sterile environment and assist with self-isolation.
- Tasking request for stand-up assistance from Army Corp of Engineers specific to field hospital to support Miami/Dade
- Evaluation of possible financial impact of possible issuance of statewide “Safer” in place order
- Continued monitoring of cruise ship and Port Everglades
- PPE remains critically short, but #1 priority for FDEM

Update: Testing collection kits to begin distribution today.

On-going: Counties with 100 or greater cases will be analyzed to the Zip Code with several overlays to include testing sites and hospital data to evaluate effectiveness of testing locations

On-going: Waiting on guidance from Surgeon General on first responder passive exposure

On-going: Wildfire contingency plan still being developed

Currently 95 active wildfires, with Fire Weather Watches for South Florida

6,955 COVID-19 cases; 87 deaths; 67,734 tested in Florida

Current number of SEOC Missions: 9,901

Important takeaways for this document:

- Significant focus on Miami-Dade County.
- Anticipate for potential “Safer in Place” or other such order.
- Wildfire significance becoming more prevalent, especially in South Florida
- PPE Critically Short
- Cases will continue to increase
- Maintain a sense of urgency on all aspects of this crisis

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