

## CAPABILITIES

### REGIONAL HAZMAT TEAMS

Technical Assistance, Hazard Assessment, Decontamination, Hot Zone Entry, Mitigation Action/Supplies, Air Monitoring  
Hazmat Technician Level Teams (Bismarck, Fargo, Minot, Grand Forks)  
Hazmat Operations Level Teams (Dickinson, Williston, Devils Lake, Jamestown)

### REGIONAL STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE TEAMS

Technical Assistance  
Structural Collapse Heavy Rescue including Breaching and Breaking Reinforced Concrete and Steel  
Structural Collapse Teams (Bismarck, Fargo, Minot, Grand Forks)

## REQUESTING IC WILL NEED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

Description of Incident  
Type and quantity of hazmat (if known)  
Local of incident  
Actions taken by local response  
Weather conditions  
Threat to public safety, property, or the environment

## REGIONAL RESPONSE TEAMS WILL NOT:

Assume overall command of the incident.  
Cleanup, transport, or dispose of hazardous materials; this is the responsibility of the responsible party.

## CRITERIA FOR ACTIVATION

The following criteria are used to determine whether to authorize a team response:

Hazmat release or potential release from a transportation incident or fixed facility;  
Hazmat release presents actual or potential threat to public safety or the environment;  
Actual or potential structural collapse where life and safety are threatened;  
Local emergency response personnel have been dispatched, are on scene and have made an initial assessment of the incident;  
Local authorities have determined that the response needs of the incident exceed local capabilities;  
NDDDES may authorize a team response when NDDDES considers the response to be necessary to protect life, property, and the environment from the effects or potential effects of a hazardous materials release or structural collapse.

Hazmat teams typically do not respond to clandestine drug labs; however, requests by law enforcement will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Generally, teams **WILL NOT** be dispatched when:

Local authorities are on scene, have made an assessment and determine they have the local resources necessary to properly manage the incident;  
Release is from the primary fuel tank(s) on a vehicle;  
Material is present in a small quantity normally handled by the NDDOT.

# ND Regional Hazardous Materials and Structural Collapse Response Teams

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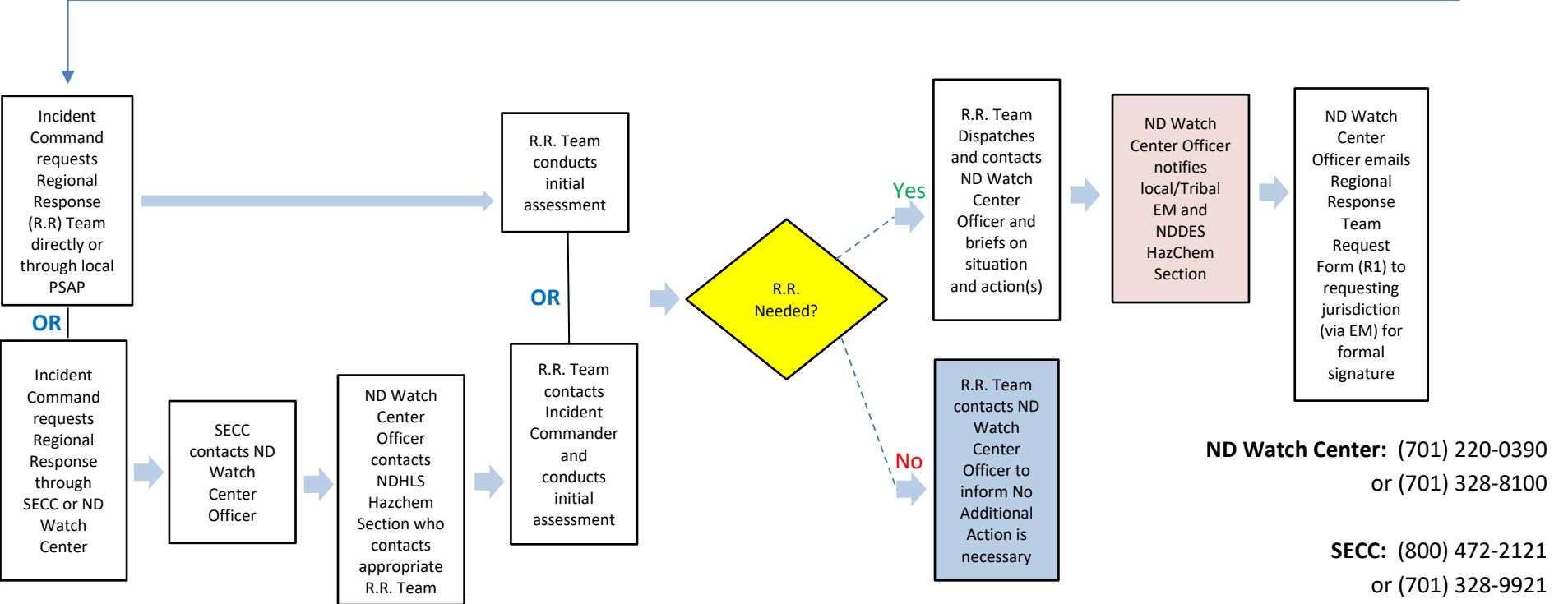
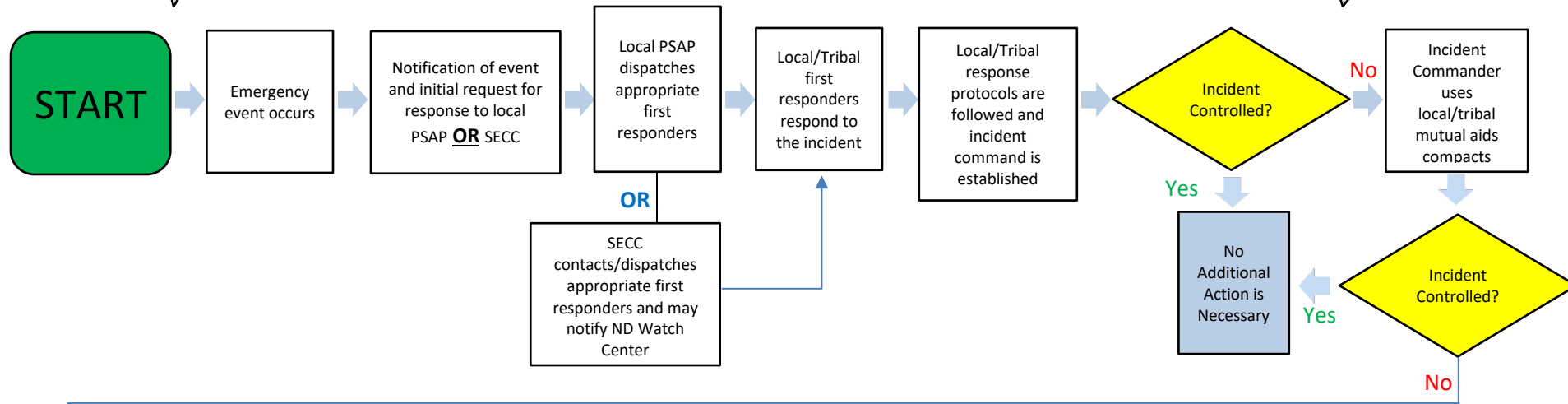
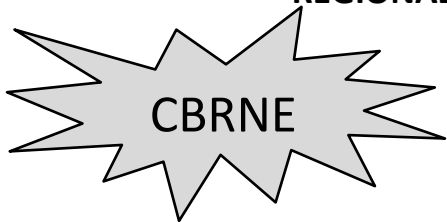


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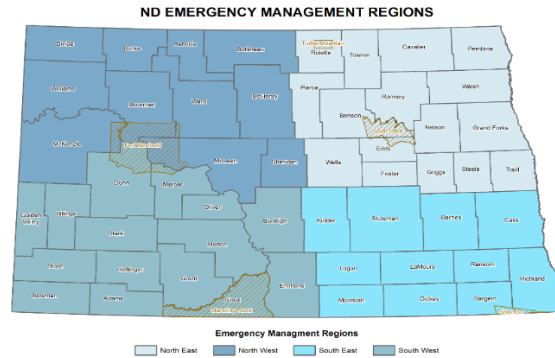
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# REGIONAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS/STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE RESPONSE PROTOCOLS



**ND Watch Center:** (701) 220-0390  
or (701) 328-8100

**SECC:** (800) 472-2121  
or (701) 328-9921



## NORTHWEST REGION

- Minot Fire Department (Hazmat Technician Level, Structural Collapse)
  - Primary **701-857-4704 / 701-852-0111** Secondary **701-833-6975**
- Williston Fire Department (Hazmat Operations Level)
  - Primary **701-609-1035** Secondary **701-713-3414**

## SOUTHWEST REGION

- Bismarck Fire Department (Hazmat Technician Level, Structural Collapse)
  - Primary **701-223-9111**
- Dickinson Fire Department (Hazmat Operations Level)
  - Primary **701-456-7762** Secondary **701-456-7625**

## NORTHEAST REGION

- Grand Forks Fire Department (Hazmat Technician Level, Structural Collapse)
  - Primary **701-740-6684** Secondary **701-746-2542**
- Devils Lake Fire Department (Hazmat Operations Level)
  - Primary **701-662-3913** Secondary **701-662-5323**

## SOUTHEAST REGION

- Fargo Fire Department (Hazmat Technician Level, Structural Collapse)
  - Primary **701-241-8129** Secondary **701-476-4195 / 701-451-7660**
- Jamestown Fire Department (Hazmat Operations Level)
  - Primary **701-252-1000** Secondary **701-252-1441 / 701-320-7083**