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SUBJECT: USACE Continuity of Operations Planning

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- 1. ER 500-1-18, The Corps of Engineers Continuity of Operations Planning System (CECOPS) is enclosed. CECOPS provides continuity policy and planning guidance to all USACE field operating activities (FOA) and prescribes actions that must be taken within USACE during peacetime to prepare for a catastrophic national emergency. This revision supersedes the previous CECOPS dated 31 January 1984.
- 2. Readiness is the responsibility of every commander. All commanders will become personally involved with these requirements and their continuity planning activities. CECOPS is published to allow subordinate commands maximum individual freedom in planning while still providing a single source of policy guidance to each FOA.
- 3. This document was based on numerous comments and recommendations from the staff and FOA. Because of the dynamics of continuity planning, we will revise and publish CECOPS annually. Comments and recommendations regarding CECOPS may be forwarded to CDR USACE (DAEN-CWO-EM), Washington, D. C. 20314-1000.

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