DIRS

The FCC's Disaster Information Reporting System

DIRS is a voluntary, web-based system used to collect communications infrastructure status and situational awareness information during times of crisis. Participating in DIRS can benefit your organization in times of disaster.

- **Greater clarity:** Participating in DIRS allows broadcasters to identify a contact point for their organization during emergencies, which streamlines coordination with the federal agencies that can provide assistance.

- **Restoration help:** Provides an avenue for broadcasters to ask for help in restoring operations, such as obtaining generators and fuel.

- **Information provided through DIRS is treated as presumptively confidential.** It is shared only with other federal emergency response officials.

- **Streamlined requests:** Reduces the number of government agencies requesting information. Other government agencies rely on the information in DIRS for the status of broadcasting facilities.

- **Aid to your community:** Enhances the ability of broadcasters to aid their community during a disaster.

How does DIRS work?

- Broadcasters that choose to participate in DIRS should **provide contact information** for those who will provide status reports when DIRS is activated.

- When DIRS is activated, the **FCC will notify these contacts of how often to file reports and what geographic areas are affected**. Typically, reports are requested once each day.

- DIRS provides the FCC with accurate information regarding the status of broadcast services in disaster areas. **The FCC shares DIRS information with DHS** and certain federal response entities to support, focus, and track restoration efforts.

Join thousands of broadcasters who participate in DIRS!
Go to http://fcc.gov/nors/disaster and click on "New User" page.
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