

**The Florida Senate**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**  
**SELECT COMMITTEE ON PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS**  
**AND RESPONSE**  
**Senator Burgess, Chair**  
**Senator Bracy, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Thursday, January 28, 2021  
**TIME:** 11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.  
**PLACE:** *Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building*

**MEMBERS:** Senator Burgess, Chair; Senator Bracy, Vice Chair; Senators Ausley, Book, Bradley, Brandes, Brodeur, Harrell, Perry, and Pizzo

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	PUBLIC TESTIMONY WILL BE RECEIVED FROM ROOM A3 AT THE DONALD L. TUCKER CIVIC CENTER, 505 W PENSACOLA STREET, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301		Discussed
2	Presentation by the Division of Emergency Management		Discussed
3	Presentation by the Florida National Guard		Discussed
Other Related Meeting Documents			

TAB 2 - Video shown at 01/28/21 Senate Pandemic Preparedness and Response Committee meeting is on file with the committee. Please contact the Select Committee on Pandemic Preparedness and Response for additional information.

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Bill Number (if applicable)

Topic

Pandemic / FDEM

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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# **THE FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS**

***Florida National Guard Update  
To the  
Senate Committee on Pandemic  
Preparedness & Response  
January 28, 2021***

***Col John L. Steele  
J2/J3, Director of Military Support (DOMS)***



# Department of Military Affairs

## *MISSION*



Provide highly trained units and personnel to:

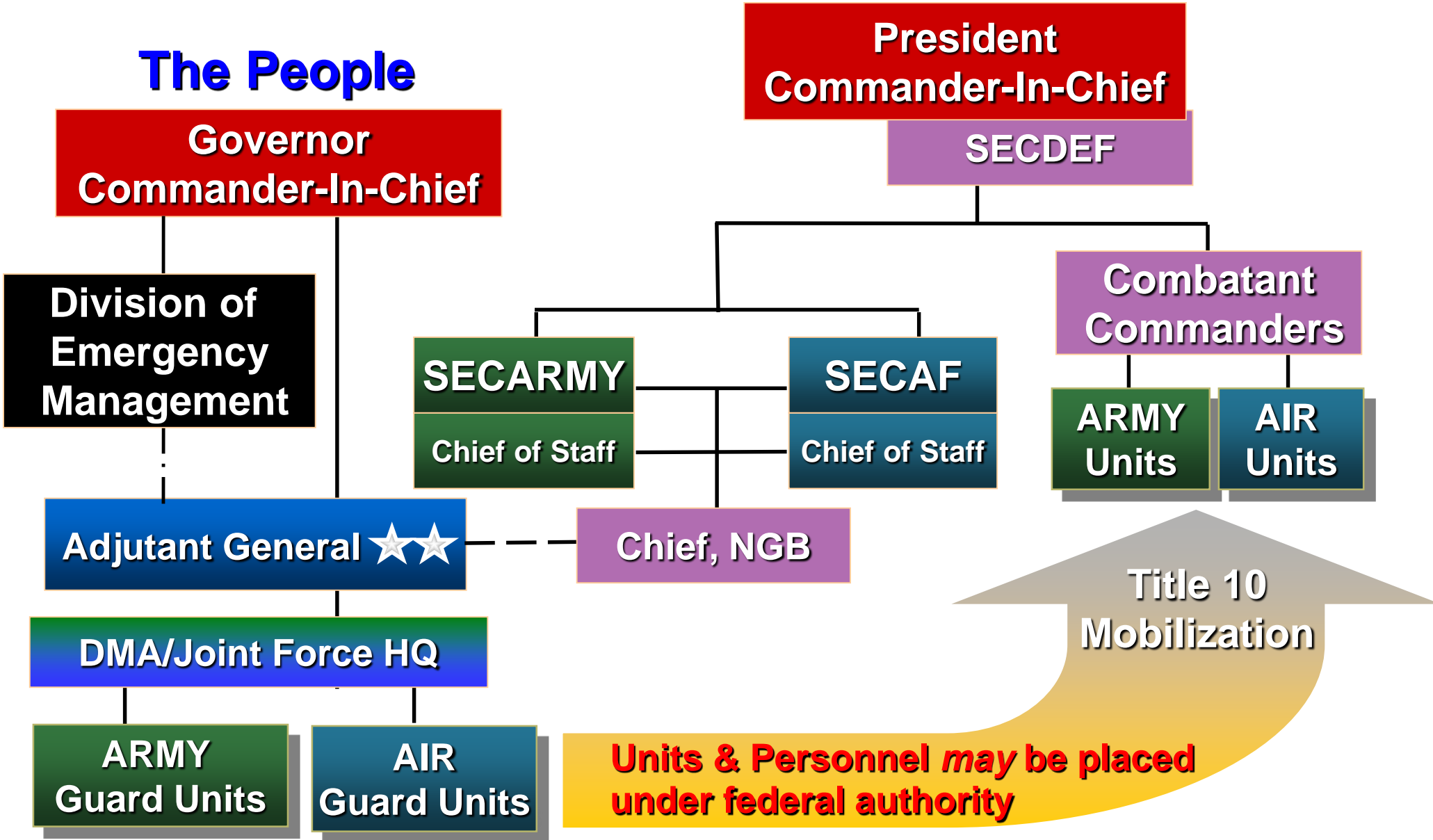
- Support national security objectives
- Respond to emergencies and disasters
- Support programs which add value to our state and nation



# Organization Chain of Command



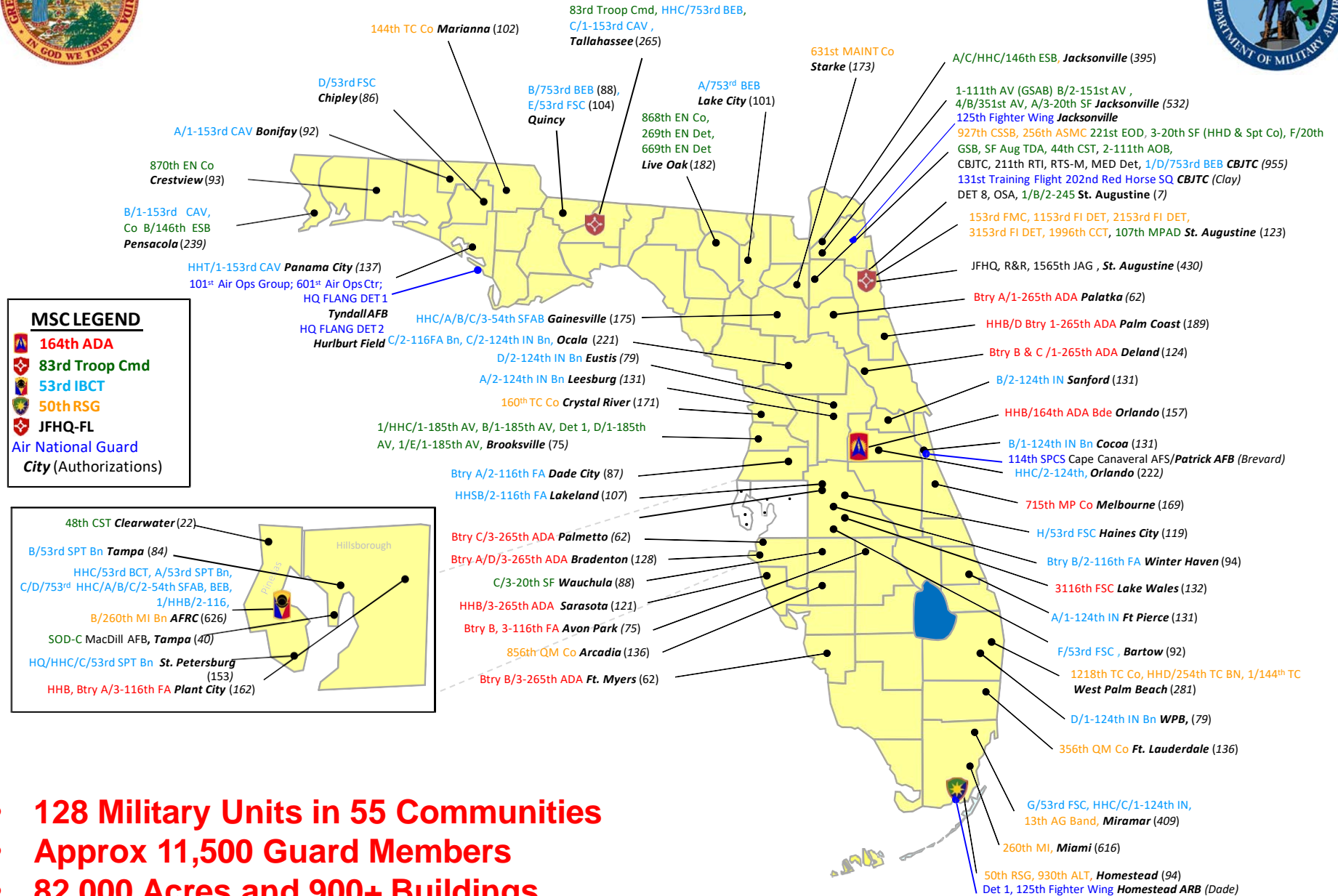
## The People



**Units & Personnel may be placed under federal authority**



# Florida National Guard Units



- 128 Military Units in 55 Communities
- Approx 11,500 Guard Members
- 82,000 Acres and 900+ Buildings
- 62 Readiness Centers (Armories)

Effective 17 January 2019





# Responding to State Emergencies

## Disaster Response Capabilities



### Currently Available and Accessible

- Est. 5,500 Soldiers and Airmen
- Capabilities:
  - Security            Transportation            Engineers
  - Aviation            Humanitarian            Liaisons
  - Fire Fighting    Search & Rescue            Evacuation
- 500 member quick reaction force
- Emergency Management Assistance Compact



### Unparalleled Experience in Support to Civil Authorities

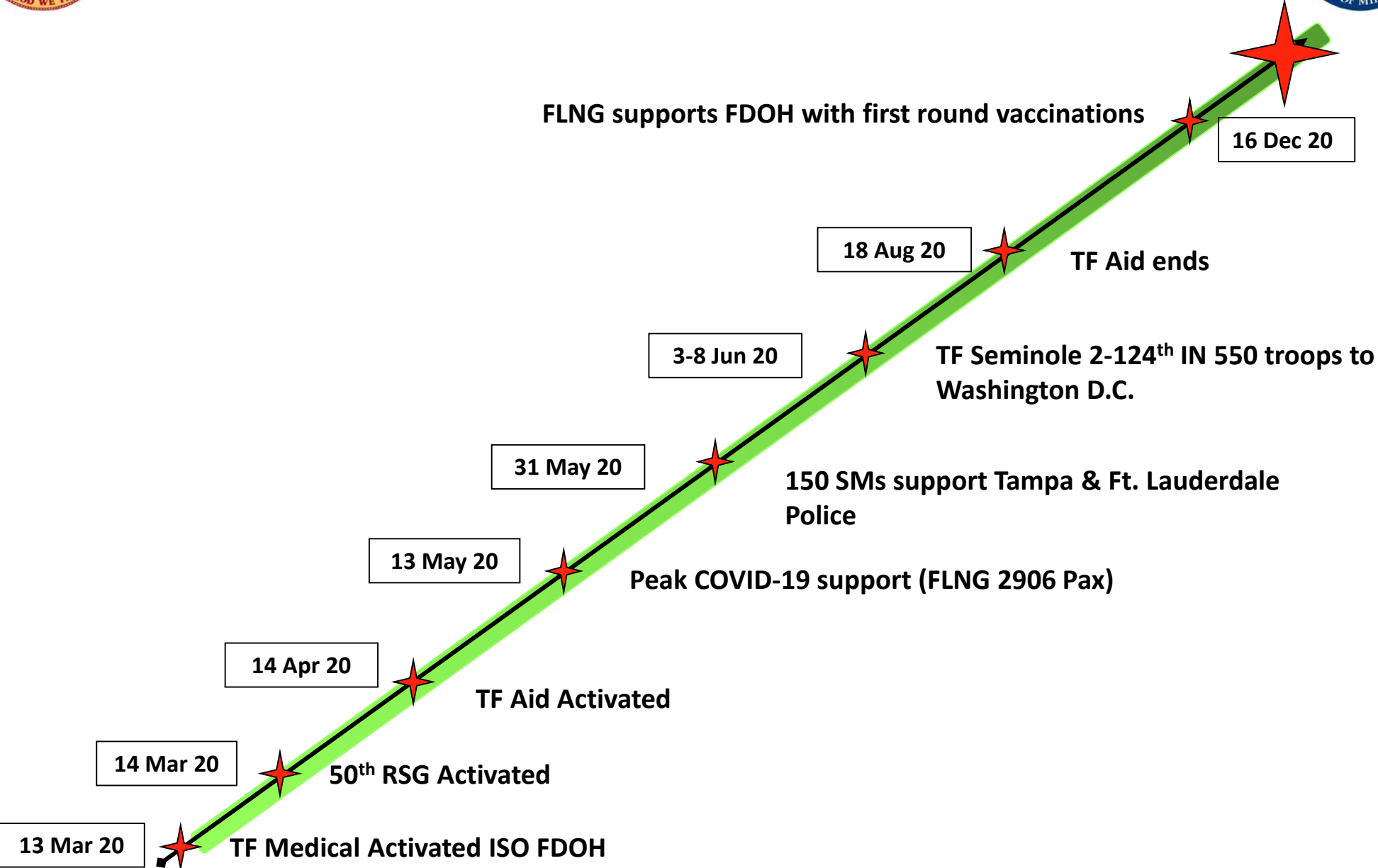
- Long-standing relationships with local, state and federal partners
- Hurricanes, storms, pandemic support, floods, wildfires, tornadoes, mass evacuation
- Immigration Control – Haiti, Southwest Border

**1992 to 2020 - 48 Activations – Over 1.1M Total Work-Days**





# COVID-19 Key Events



# FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD

## COVID-19 RESPONSE

2906  
SERVICE MEMBERS  
421,745  
TOTAL MAN DAYS



\$100,398,499  
TOTAL COST (EST.)



8  
FOOD BANK  
DISTRIBUTION  
MISSIONS



TESTING &  
VACCINATING

3,398,216  
COMPLETED TESTS

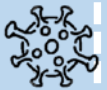


### LOGISTICS

62  
SERVICE MEMBERS  
16,182  
MAN DAYS



1,003  
TOTAL  
MISSIONS



312  
DAYS ON  
MISSION



7  
AIRPORTS



47  
TESTING SITES



664  
NURSING  
HOMES/ASSISTED  
LIVING FACILITIES/ VA  
CENTERS TESTED



### FLNG MISSION SUMMARY

The Florida National Guard (FLNG) continues to support the State's COVID19 response through operational support of Community Based Testing Sites (CBTS), Community Vaccination Sites, augmentation to airport screening, Mobile Testing Teams (MTT), statewide logistics support, coordination, food distribution, planning and operational mission sets.

1,137,500  
MILES DRIVEN



13,616  
PALLET OF PPE



429  
HOSPITAL BEDS



TF MED  
77  
SERVICE MEMBERS  
2145  
MAN DAYS  
1  
FIELD HOSPITAL



NGRF  
D.C. - June  
550  
SERVICE MEMBERS  
5500  
MAN DAYS



38  
LNO SUPPORT



207  
FLNG Provider  
Support



16  
Mobile Testing  
Bus/Aardvark Trailer  
Missions



7  
VACCINATION SITES



Tallahassee -  
General Election  
500  
SERVICE MEMBERS

PI59-D.C  
650  
SERVICE MEMBERS  
PI59-Tallahassee  
100  
SERVICE MEMBERS

As of 19 JAN 2021

# FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD HURRICANE SALLY RESPONSE



\$1,149,078.00  
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST

42  
MISSIONS

407  
SERVICEMEMBERS

6  
DAYS ON MISSION

193  
PEOPLE RESCUED

1  
DOG RESCUED

12  
PODS

44,147  
CUSTOMERS



## FLNG CONTRIBUTION

-ASSISTED STATE/LOCAL OFFICIALS W/SHELTERING, SEARCH AND RESCUE, SECURITY, COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION IN CRITICAL POST LAND-FALL AND ENABLED LOCAL OFFICIALS TO RETURN THEIR COMMUNITIES TO A SENSE OF NORMALCY AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE.

11  
BOATS USED FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE

863,394  
LITERS OF WATER DISTRIBUTED



## KEYS TO SUCCESS

-EARLY FLNG ACTIVATION  
-TRUST, CONFIDENCE, AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH STATE AND LOCAL PARTNERS  
-YEARS OF PLANNING AND TRAINING WITH FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL PARTNERS

4  
ROTARY WING AIRCRAFT USED FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE

599,196  
MEALS DISTRIBUTED



21,639  
BAGS OF ICE DISTRIBUTED



6,533  
TARPS DISTRIBUTED



66  
TACTICAL VEHICLES USED FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE



7  
COUNTIES SUPPORTED

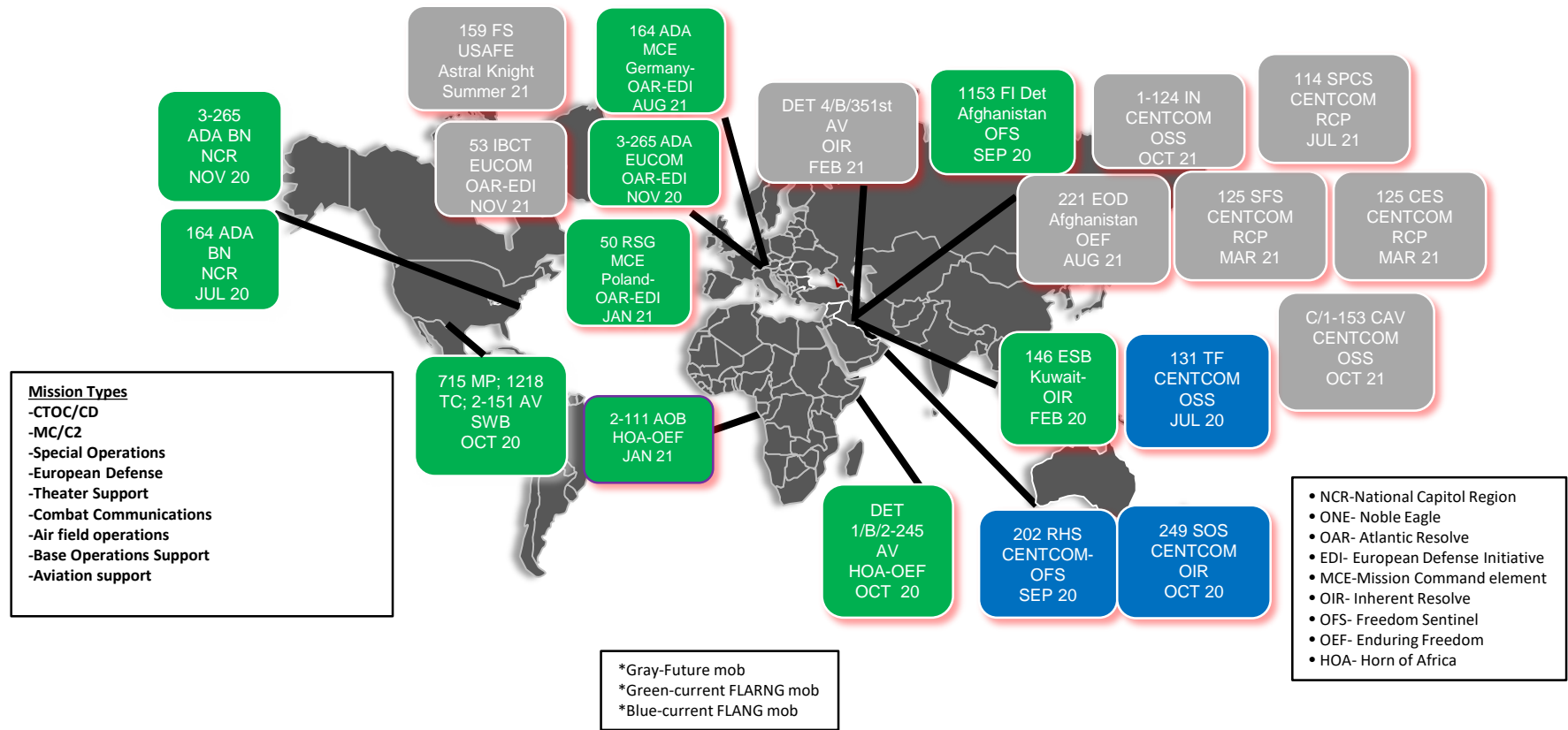




# Florida National Guard Mobilization Status

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FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD DEPLOYMENTS	
Total Soldiers and Airmen Currently Deployed As Of 15 January 2021:	<b>1,286</b>

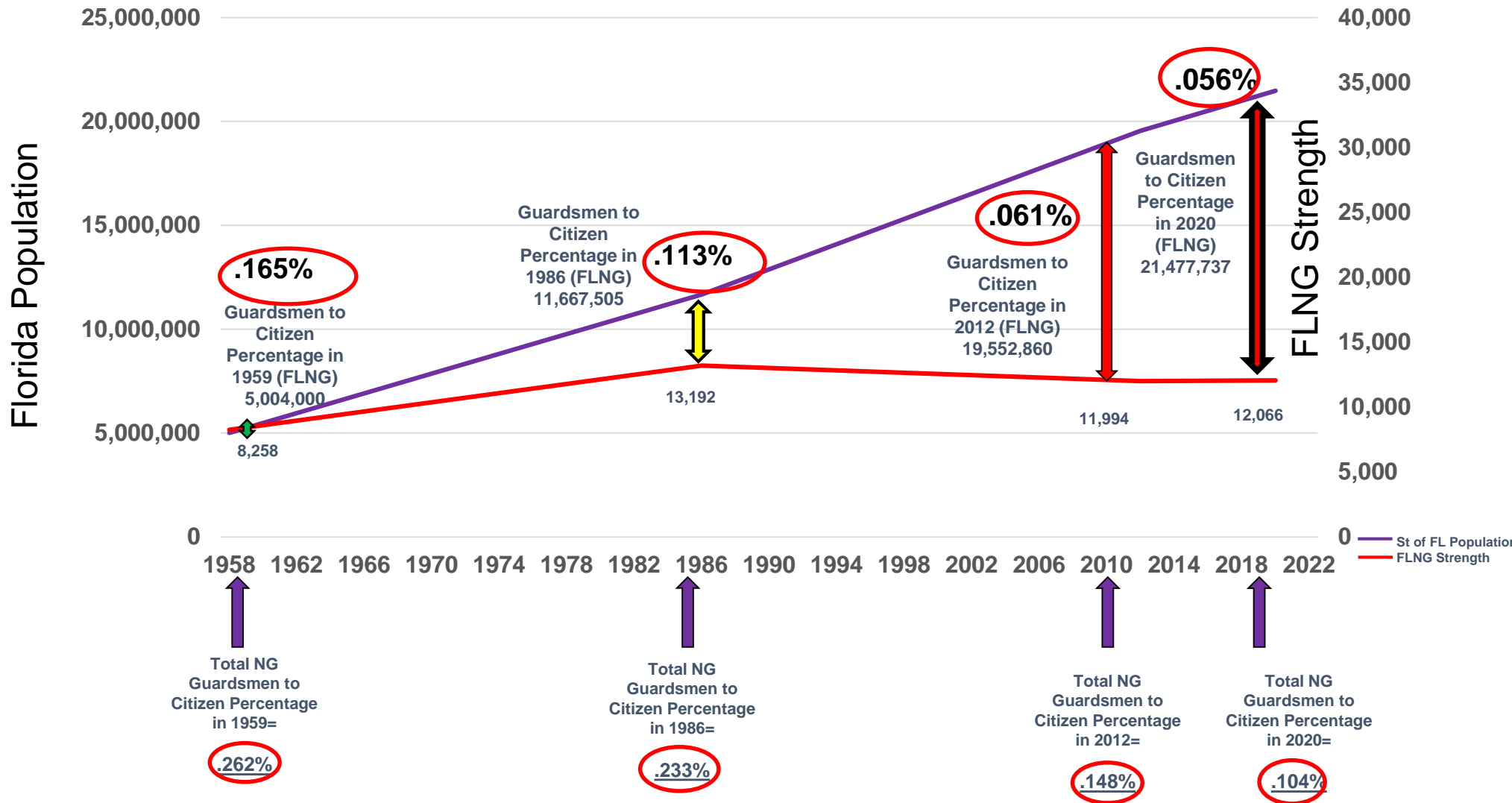


**Mobilized over 22,000 since September 11, 2001**

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# FLNG Strength vs. FL Population 1958 to 2020





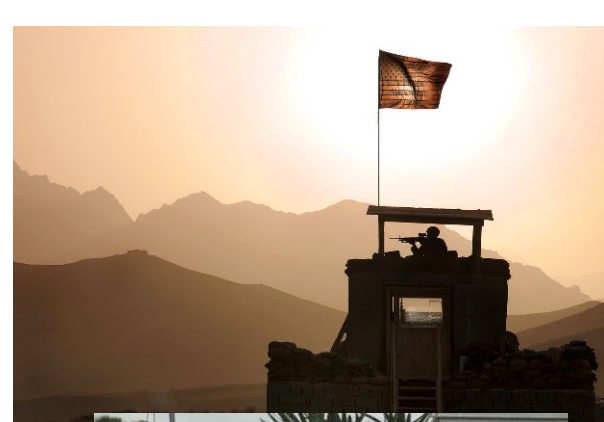
# Why Grow the FLNG



- As the 3<sup>rd</sup> most populous state, **FLNG is ranked 53 out of 54** (Guard : Population ratio)
- Florida's population will **grow 5M over the next 10 years**
- **FL is 4<sup>th</sup> most disaster prone State in the Nation**
- We use Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) for nearly every response
  - **Hurricane Irma required the most support: EMAC'd over 2,200 soldiers from 22 states**
  - **EMAC will not be supported for a Pandemic response**
- If FSA were "proportional," the FLNG would be **18-21,000 Guardsmen, rather than ~12,000.**
- **Current growth is not fast or big enough to meet the demand/requirements.**
- **High Operational Tempo:**
  - **COVID:** > 2,900 Soldiers & Airmen activated; > 400k man days (9<sup>th</sup> month 850 pax on duty)
  - **Hurricanes:** Since Andrew, 48 activations; over 700K man days with 63K personnel
  - **Federal Deployments:** Over 22,000 Soldiers & Airmen deployed since 9/11

***Growing Personnel and Facilities is an investment in our citizens' security!***





[www.floridaguard.army.mil/news](http://www.floridaguard.army.mil/news)

<http://dma.myflorida.com>

[www.twitter.com/flguard](https://www.twitter.com/flguard)

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Agriculture  
Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture,  
Environment, and General Government  
Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation,  
Tourism, and Economic Development  
Environment and Natural Resources

### SELECT COMMITTEE:

Select Committee on Pandemic  
Preparedness and Response

### JOINT COMMITTEE:

Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

### SENATOR LORANNE AUSLEY

3rd District

January 25, 2021

The Honorable Danny Burgess  
Chair, Select Committee on Pandemic  
Preparedness and Response  
Florida Senate  
404 S Monroe ST  
224 Senate Office Building  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

Dear Chair Burgess:

I would respectfully request to be excused from your Select Committee on Pandemic Preparedness and Response on Thursday, January 28, 2021. Unfortunately, I was exposed to COVID-19 last Friday and am currently following CDC guidelines for testing and quarantining.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lorraine Ausley".

Lorraine Ausley  
Senate District 3

cc: P K Jameson, Staff Director  
Lisa Roberts, Committee Administrative Assistant

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President Pro Tempore

# CourtSmart Tag Report

Room: KN 412

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Caption: Select Committee on Pandemic Preparedness and Response

Judge:

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