Field Trip Questions: Local Emergency Management Agency
(What this class needs to understand)

Please review the following questions and use them as a guideline for your presentation. Focused responses will aid in accomplishing the learning objectives of this course. Please remember that all students have been required to prepare questions for you, so 15-20 minutes should be allowed for this.

1. What is the mission of the local emergency management agency? (What specific activities reflect your efforts at preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation?)

2. What is the organizational structure of the local emergency management agency?

3. What types of interagency relationships are most important, including: 1) elected officials; 2) state emergency management agency; 3) the Federal Emergency Management Agency; 4) Homeland Security Departments; and 5) local Red Cross Chapter and other voluntary disaster relevant organizations?

4. What are the milestones in the history of this agency and its predecessors, e.g., civil defense?

5. What is the management structure and major equipment that comprise the emergency operations center (EOC) within the local emergency management agency?

6. What changes have occurred in your agency since the 911 WTC attacks and the increased terrorism threat?

6. What are the major difficulties or challenges your agency confronted during the most recent disaster response?