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PRESS RELEASE

LaPorte County EOC Opens

LaPorte, IN (October 22, 2009) - The LaPorte County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) opened today in response to the continuing increase in numbers of H1N1 influenza cases in the county.

The EOC is responsible for county-wide resource management, planning and providing information to the public about any emergency situation that occurs in LaPorte County. This includes tornadoes and floods as well as pandemic flu.

Representatives from the following are participants in the Emergency Operation Center:

- Greater LaPorte Area Chamber of Commerce
- Indiana Department of Homeland Security
- Indiana Health Department
- LaPorte Community Schools
- LaPorte County Chapter American Red Cross
- LaPorte County Commissioners
- LaPorte County Council
- LaPorte County Emergency Management Agency
- LaPorte County HazMat
- LaPorte County Health Department
- LaPorte County Healthy Communities
- LaPorte County Schools
- LaPorte County Sheriff's Department
- LaPorte Fire Department
- LaPorte Police Department
- LaPorte Regional Health System
- Mayor of LaPorte
- Mayor of Michigan City
- Michigan City Area Chamber of Commerce
- Michigan City Area Schools
- Michigan City Emergency Management Agency
- Michigan City Fire Department
- Michigan City Police Department
- St. Anthony Memorial Hospital

The EOC will remain open until further notice.

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