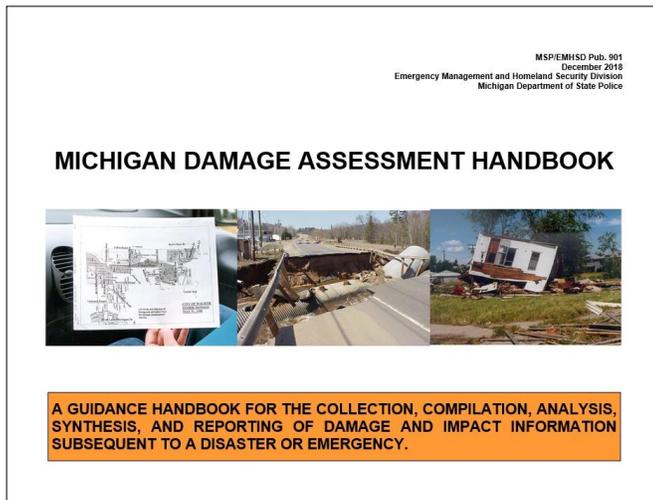


## MSP/EMHSD Publication 901 – Michigan Damage Assessment Handbook December 2018 Edition Posted to MSP/EMHSD Web Site ([www.michigan.gov/emhds](http://www.michigan.gov/emhds))



The Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (MSP/EMHSD) has completed the revision of MSP/EMHSD Publication 901, “Michigan Damage Assessment Handbook” (pictured on the left). The document has been posted on the MSP/EMHSD web site ([www.michigan.gov/emhds](http://www.michigan.gov/emhds)) under “Grants, Programs & Publications,” in the “Response” table.

The handbook provides guidance to help local and tribal governments develop an effective assessment organization; conduct damage assessment operations in the field and in their Emergency Operations Center (EOC); and to facilitate the timely collection, compilation, analysis, synthesis, and reporting of damages and impacts subsequent to a disaster or emergency. The planning and operational considerations contained in the handbook are consistent with the Michigan Emergency Management Plan (MEMP), Michigan Critical Incident Management System (MI CIMS), and the FEMA Damage Assessment Operations Manual.

Changes to the document compared to the prior version include the addition of guidance regarding the mobile Damage Assessment application developed by MSP/EMHSD, updated tasks that need to be conducted by

state and local agencies during a Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) with FEMA, updated templates and submission instructions for declaring a local State of Emergency and requesting the declaration of a State of Disaster or Emergency from the Governor, and new Damage Survey Worksheets that include the “Inaccessible” damage category.

Questions about the document should be directed to F/Lt. Gabe Covey, State and Local Support Section Manager, at 517-284-3989 or [CoveyG@michigan.gov](mailto:CoveyG@michigan.gov). Be advised that the document is solely provided at this web link and will not be distributed by hardcopy or CD.

