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**FOR:** National Urban Search & Rescue Response System  
Task Force Representatives / Incident Support Team Members

**FROM:** Dean Scott, Section Chief  
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**RE:** Oklahoma Tornado – ESF #9 Advisory #5 (Final)

**Situation:** Information contained in this ESF #9 Advisory is as of 1900 EDT

An EF-5 tornado touched down near Oklahoma City, causing massive devastation in the cities of Newcastle and Moore, Oklahoma.

**Current Operations:** Search and rescue operations by local responders were supported by FEMA ESF #9 US&R task forces. Task forces partnered with local responders and conducted wide area searches of impacted areas plus primary searches of basements, cellars, and safe rooms in residential, commercial, and other structures (per City of Moore Safe Room Location list). Teams completed searching all 22 assigned areas with a total of 1,708 structures searched.

All task forces activated for this response have been demobilized, returned to their home locations, and are available for use by the National US&R Response System.

The US&R Red Incident Support Team demobilized as of today and personnel have, or are in the process, of traveling home.

The National Response Coordination Center is at Normal Operations (Watch/Steady State).

**Required Action:** This is an **ESF #9 Advisory**; no action is required at this time. Expenditure of funds is **not** authorized. **No requests for additional US&R activations have been received.** Should there be a request; US&R task forces would be activated based upon *US&R Program Directive 2011-012 – Process for Determining Closest Task Force Response*. Task Forces should monitor the status of this event as it progresses.

This will be the final ESF #9 Advisory for this event.

cc: Regional ESF #9 Points of Contact, FEMA Regions I-X;  
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