# ORNLReady: A Web-Based Geospatial Visualization Tool for Emergency Management and Responses

### WHAT IS ORNLREADY?

ORNLReady is a geographic information system (GIS) based tool created to prepare and assist Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) with rapid emergency response and situational awareness. At DOE's 2010 Emergency Management Issues - Special Interest Group Annual Conference, DOE named ORNLReady as the most useful training product currently available and transferable to other DOE facilities.

ORNLReady was developed by the Center for Transportation Analysis (CTA) through a collaborative effort with ORNL's Facilities & Operations Directorate and leveraging from research capabilities and results throughout ORNL.



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### WHAT DOES ORNLREADY DO?

The tool prepares ORNL for scheduled and unscheduled events through careful planning and exercises. It is an active tool currently used by the Laboratory Shift Superintendent (LSS) and the Emergency Operation Center (EOC) during their day-to-day operations, exercises, and event responses. The tool enables the LSS and EOC to develop scenario-based crisis management plans. The training aspects of *ORNLReady* can pose various scenarios for operations, response, and planning.



An example of the consequence analysis.

### HOW DOES ORNLREADY WORK?

ORNLReady uses near real-time information and stored data to enable the LSS and EOC to develop scenariobased emergency plans and to quantify and visualize potential consequences (e.g., number of buildings, assets, and employees impacted) by disasters and other unplanned events. ORNLReady integrates hazard prediction and assessment functions by overlaying plume model results generated from **Computer Assisted Protective Action** Recommendation Systems (CAPARS) with ORNL facilities and other physical assets and estimates potential impacts under each protection action level.



Summary impact with Plume model.





Furthermore, a tool to identify impacted ORNL facilities and the levels of stand-off and evacuation distances in response to various levels of bomb threats are also provided in the *ORNLReady*.

The tool includes detailed maps of ORNL and nearby facilities, employee populations, locations of hazardous

material, weather tracking and much more – everything needed to help crisis managers visualize potential consequences of events and make informed safetybased decisions. All tools are integrated into a single portal. This provides ORNL with near real-time situational awareness within the ORNL main campus as well as the five counties surrounding ORNL.



Bomb Threat Stand-Off Card.