

Montana National Guard Quick Reaction Force

- Approx. 61 personnel
(QRF #1 (30 Soldiers) - Fort Harrison
QRF#2 (31 Airmen) - ANG Gore Hill
- 2 Year Tour
- 6 Personnel HQ Element
 - CO, XO, 1SG (NCOIC), Supply NCO, Commo SGT, Sr. Medic
- 7 Squads @ 8 personnel each
- Available to respond within the specified timeframe
- Available for recall
- Physically fit within the standard
- Trains during the week:
 - Weapons Qual, combatives, METL, Warrior Skills, physical training



Montana National Guard 83rd Civil Support Team

Mission

To support civil authorities at a domestic chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, or explosive (CBRNE) incident site by:

- **Identifying** chemical, biological or radiological agents/substances,
- **Assessing** current and projected consequences,
 - **Advising** on response measures, and
- **Assisting** with appropriate requests for state support.

Who we are

The 83rd Civil Support Team (WMD) is a 22 person team comprised of full-time Montana National Guard personnel. We are located on Fort Harrison near Helena. The team was established as a result of Presidential Directives in response to an ever-growing threat of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) terrorism within the United States.

What We Do

We work for the incident commander and directly support incident goals and objectives

- Respond to an intentional weapon of mass destruction incident
- Provide presumptive identification of chemical, biological, and radiological agents.
- Provide recommendations on event mitigation, medical treatment, and follow-on state and federal resources.
- On request can provide immediate response to save lives, prevent human suffering, and mitigate property damage under the authority of DoD Directive 3025.1

- We are not first responders
- We work with regional HAZMAT teams not in competition with them
- We are not Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) or a Bomb Squad
- We are not equipped to perform mass casualty decontamination

