Egg Harbor Fire Department and First Responders
Standard Operating Guideline

Subject: WATER SHUTTLE

Purpose: To have in place a policy for all personnel to follow when starting and operating a water shuttle.

Scope: This procedure applies to all members of the Egg Harbor Fire Department.

Definitions: IC – Incident Commander

1. Water Supply Officer.
   A. One firefighter shall be designated as the Water Supply Officer.
   B. The Water Supply Officer shall be in charge of all aspects of the water supply.
   C. The Water Supply Officer shall designate which radio channel they will use for the water supply, preferably a different channel than the fire ground.
   D. The Water Supply Officer shall report to the IC.

2. Tankers.
   A. Tankers will respond to the fire scene and help setup the portable tanks from their trucks. The tanks should be setup to help avoid having to back the tankers. The tank drain should be positioned down hill if possible.
   B. Once the portable tanks are setup the tankers shall dump their first load of water.
   C. When empty the tanker shall proceed to a designated fill site for refilling.
   D. All tankers shall use the same route to and from the fill site to facilitate a smooth operation.

3. Completion of Operations.
   A. Make sure the tankers are full of water before the fill site is broken down.
   B. Return to the fire scene to retrieve the portable tanks and help pickup other equipment at the scene.