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Lake of the Ozarks Polar Plunge EVENT AFTER ACTION REPORT

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Executive Summary - CERT's services were requested for the Lake of the Ozarks Polar Plunge to provide assistance with traffic and crowd control.

Project Overview

Project Name:	2022 Lake of Ozarks Polar Plunge
Date:	February 26, 2022
Duration:	One Day
Location:	State Park, Grand Glaize Beach/Public Beach #2
Planning Team:	Sam Henley, Ranita Jones, Sgt. Travis Morley
Number of Participants:	8
Oversight:	Camden County EMA

Assessment

Objective 1: Placing & removing traffic cones along 5k run route.

Objective 2: Traffic control at a few intersections along 5k run route.

Objective 3: Directing participants to the Parade of Costumes event & the Plunge.

Activities: Cover traffic control at assigned intersections. Answer questions regarding where things are located. Assist with grouping Parade of Costumes participants prior to plunge.

Assessment: CERT performed perfectly in all areas assigned.

Conclusion - CERT performed well, succeeding in relieving event organizer of having to handle traffic control and plunge participants pre lineup. They also assisted event attendees in locating different aspects of the event.

Recommendations

1. Obtain handheld signs that have 'slow' & 'stop' on both sides.
2. Have a stationary a-frame 'slow' sign to place along roadway.
3. Have one of CERT's megaphone on hand.
4. Cold weather writing tool (fine Sharpie).
5. Communications from event organizer providing clarification on:
 - a. where ambulances are staged,
 - b. who to call if someone gets hurt,
 - c. other sub-events taking place & where located within event area.
 - d. have an enlarged event area map showing parking lots, restrooms, etc. and also one can write on where ambulances, etc will be located.
6. Signage in designated parking areas for specific groups:
 - a. VIPs
 - b. Volunteers
 - c. Handicap
7. Manage large parking area so vehicles are parked in rows (to avoid vehicles getting blocked in).
8. Possibly provide a shuttle bus service for off-site parking.
9. More porta potties.
10. Have a designated 'pet relief' area and/or provide dog waste bags.
11. Maybe have CERT man a First Aid tent like we did at Shootout.
12. Order a front wall for the CERT tent.