Incidents Requiring Mass Burials

- Natural disasters
  - Floods
  - Earthquakes
- Infectious Disease
  - Pandemic Influenza
- Intentional terrorist incidents
  - Dirty bomb/nuclear Power plant sabotage
  - Introduction of zoonotic disease or contamination of the food supply

Disposition of Casualties

- Mass graves
- Individual graves
- Incineration

Alabama Department of Public Health Field Staff

Public Health Environmentalist:
* Familiar with local companies capable of handling excavations
* Familiar with vector and vermin control

Soil classifiers:
* Can make recommendations on depth to ground water
* Determine soil conditions through soil borings and visual soil classification
* Research Flood status
Plans in Place:

Mission Training Plan for Quarter Master Mortuary Affairs Company

Care and Disposition of Remains

Disposition of Personal Effects

Soldier’s Manual and Training Guide

Temporary Burial Site Environmental Issues

An outline of possible issues associated with the selection of temporary burials sites following a natural disaster, terrorist or pandemic event.

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