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## Washington Emergency Management Facility

Canadian geese walk across the grass. Mount Rainier stands off in the distance. This place is so peaceful and serene. But when there's a crisis situation or "activation" (earthquake, avalanche, fire, flooding, nuclear accident, etc.) anywhere within the state of Washington, this building becomes the nerve center to make things right again.

The Washington Emergency Management Division (EMD) building

is a state-of-the-art Emergency Government Operations Center. It is one of the best-equipped buildings of this type. Not only in the United States, but the world. "We are a showcase for other state's emergency operations centers that are looking to upgrade, remodel or build new," according to Ron Crooks, Facility Manager. For instance, the building can house up to 230 individuals when a crisis situation occurs, rather than

the normal 70-80. It is built on special "shock absorbers" that will withstand the force of a strong earthquake. It is equipped with advanced communications equipment, high tech audio/visual gear and the latest in computer hardware and software.

What complements all the technological gizmos and gadgets that are used at the EMD? Washington Correctional Industries products

Duty officers need flexibility - FlexStation adjustable worksurfaces provide comfort and functionality.



Alta seating works perfectly in the kitchen/cafeteria area.





of course! EMD houses System XXI, FlexStation, Series XXI filing and Alta seating throughout this two story building.

"Flexibility, cost and ergonomics were the factors that lead us to choose System XXI and FlexStation for our new building," said Don Stoll, Emergency Management Program Coordinator. "Our staff is very pleased with the

fact that they can customize and reconfigure their workstations."

By utilizing FlexStation, special worker requirements could also be taken into account. Duty officers (who man the phones 24 hours a day/seven days a week) require adjustable worksurfaces and the "situation room" needs 30" x 48" temporary worksurfaces - both of these requirements were met with

FlexStation. The black paint and molded trim, maple laminate and fabric coordinate well together and give the entire building a polished, professional appearance.

Fine art produced by Washington artisans completes the look. The Washington Emergency Management Division building is truly a masterpiece - both in aesthetics and functionality.

A peninsula worksurface offers additional meeting space for visitors; or can be used as a shared worksurface for team cubicles.



This work area features modular FlexStation worksurfaces with System XXI panels - creating a personal space for staff.



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The "Situation Room" at the EMD is ever-changing - FlexStation is the right choice for applications such as this.

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