Recovery Planning Project for the State of Oregon
Work continues on the recovery planning project for the State of Oregon. On November 5, we conducted our final state partner workshop with the coordinating agencies from each of the seven State Recovery Functions. We conducted a conference call on November 12, with local, tribal, and private partners to discuss the content of the plan as it currently exists. On November 28, our office received the final draft version of the State Recovery Plan from our contractor for review and comment. This version of the plan was sent to all partners (local, tribal, state, private) on December 1, with a 12 day comment window. We anticipate delivery of the final report on December 31, of this year.

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Cascadia Rising
The planning for the 2016 Cascadia Rising Exercise continued during November with several activities being undertaken and associated milestones having been met. Significant exercise planning activity during the month of November includes:

- The Plans and Training Section conducted two exercise Concept and Objectives (C&O) meetings for state agencies, local and tribal government partners, and associated non-governmental agencies on November 13 and November 20. The C&O meeting is a pivotal first step in identifying and solidifying exercise objectives and parameters of play, and establishes the tone and direction of subsequent exercise planning initiatives. The two C&O meetings were attended by local and tribal emergency managers, several state agencies that are responsible for critical emergency support function (ESF) coordination, supporting federal agencies, and several non-governmental organizations having support functions.
- The preliminary timeline of exercise planning activity for the remainder of 2014, through 2015, and into 2016, leading up to the actual exercise date has been refined and communicated to interested partners statewide. The timeline includes dates for planning meetings, training seminars, coordination sessions with regional partners, and other essential events in support of exercise development.
- A planning orientation meeting has been set for January 29, 2015, at which time exercise planning information will be provided to attendees by state, military, and federal agency planners. The purpose is to ensure that local, tribal, state, and non-governmental partners understand the applicable plans that will be integrated within the exercise as we develop the exercise scenario and other supporting components.

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State THIRA and SPR Process
The State Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and the State Preparedness Report (SPR) are an annual requirement through the Department of Homeland Security’s grant process. As tools to facilitate a broader understanding of risks and capabilities throughout the State, the THIRA and SPR are an important focus and greatly benefit from the successful capability assessments from our individual county and tribal emergency managers and state agency partners. These capability assessments are collected through the annual State of the State Capability Assessment.

The 2014 State of the State Capability Assessment remains open, and will close December 15th. OEM is hosting weekly conference calls at 9:00, every Wednesday to assist emergency managers during the assessment process.

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Plans and Training Staff Updates:
The section is re-assigning workloads to ensure more consistent customer service and resources are available for Training, Exercise, and Operations functions. The following staff and duties have been adjusted:

- Kelly Jo Craigmiles: Kelly is assuming Operations Officer duties and will continue to be the primary for the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program. Training and exercise functions are assigned to Jim Adams and Doug Jimenez respectively. Kelly can be reached at (503) 378-2911 Ext. 22246 or Kelly.jo.craigmiles@state.or.us.
- Jim Adams: Jim is now the State Training Officer and has assumed all training duties from Kelly Jo. Jim can be reached at (503) 378-2911 Ext. 22232 or jim.adams@state.or.us.
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RAPTOR Program Updates
The RAPTOR program provides valuable visual data to emergency managers and critical infrastructure owners and operators throughout Oregon. Recent updates during the last month include:

- The RAPTOR User Guide has been posted. Please check it out at http://oregon.gov/omd/oem/Pages/plans_train/RAPTOR.aspx
- A new tsunami/earthquake configuration has been posted. Users can now select and view this configuration using the event switcher within RAPTOR. Highlights of this configuration include: Oregon fault search, tectonic plate boundaries, tsunami evacuation zones (both local and distant), and the tsunami inundation line.
- A new route widget has been added to RAPTOR. This allows users to route from one to many locations within Oregon, as well as the ability to re-route based upon user-defined road blockages and barriers.
OEM encourages all stakeholders to share data and learn how to use the free RAPTOR program (training available upon request).

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Next Generation 9-1-1
Governor Kitzhaber released his 2015-2017 Budget on December 1, 2014. The budget provides the Oregon Office of Emergency Management (OEM) with $253.1 million total funds, of which $2.1 million comes from the general fund. Other funds, primarily from the Emergency Telephone 9-1-1 taxes, and federal funds primarily federal grants, provide the remainder of the budget.

OEM has been tasked with implementing Next Generation 9-1-1. The budget does not add any additional positions to the existing 9-1-1 staff in support of this project; however, OEM has been given limitation in the amount of $500,000 to address an important component of the implementation. The budget calls for staff from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to work with OEM to convert the 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System’s Public Safety Answering Points from the current “Frame Relay” network architecture to Internet Protocol architecture. Upgrading the network is a significant body of work and when complete will support a future migration to Next Generation 9-1-1.

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