



## OEM April Briefs April 2014

### 2014 Grant Applications

See below for proposed timelines for the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), the Emergency Management Performance Grant Program (EMPG), Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Cooperative Agreement, and Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) Cooperative Agreement for fiscal year 2014 local application process:

**EMPG:** *Contact: Kelly Jo Craigmiles 503-378-2911 x22246*

- May 1: Released to local applicants
- May 5-June 10: Local conference calls
- June 13: Applications due
- July 1: Fiscal Year 2014 EMPG begins

**HSGP:** *Sidra Metzger-Hines (HSGP) 503-378-2911 x22251*

- May 8: Investment justifications finalized
- June 16-20: Grants Roadshow (exact dates/locations TBD)
- August 1: Local Applications due to OEM
- October 1: Awards to sub-grantees

**PHEP:** *Jere High, 971-673-0199 or Akiko Saito, 971-673-1363 (PHEP and HHP)*

- May 9: Applications due
- July 1: Fiscal year begins

**HHP:** *Jere High, 971-673-0199 or Akiko Saito, 971-673-1363 (PHEP and HHP)*

- May 1-5: Statewide webinars on regional budget options
- May 9: Applications due
- July 1: Fiscal year begins

### National Critical Infrastructure Protection Plan Data Call

On April 10, OEM hosted a meeting, in conjunction with the Oregon Titan Fusion Center and the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS's) Protective Security Advisor, for cross sector participants to discuss the annual critical infrastructure risk assessment process. DHS is currently accepting nominations for infrastructure systems and assets with national level significance that meets established DHS criteria. Participants were asked to develop a list of possible new assets, clusters of assets, or sector-specific systems that, if destroyed or damaged, could result in significant lives lost, and/or economic impact to the State of Oregon or regions within the state. This data, originally collected via HITRAC, is used to establish Oregon and the Portland-UASI area's comparative risk rankings among other states and UASIs, which influences federal homeland security grant funding. This year, DHS is considering scenario based incidents, including catastrophic events such as Cascadia threat. OEM encourages additional nominations, so if you have knowledge about a potential significant infrastructure system at risk, please provide feedback and suggestions.

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## **February Winter Storm Update**

Oregon endured significant winter weather from Feb. 6-10 to include heavy snow, ice, high winds, heavy rain, regional flooding, landslides and mudslides. On April 4, OEM received confirmation of the Presidential disaster declaration, DR-4169, for the declared counties of Benton, Lane, Lincoln and Linn. FEMA has set up a virtual Joint Field Office at OEM offices, including a Federal Coordinating Officer and a FEMA team of approximately 18 staff. OEM conducted an applicant briefing open to all eligible applicants in the declared counties on Apr. 16, in Eugene. To date, OEM has received 25 Requests for Public Assistance from state and local entities, and FEMA has conducted approximately 19 kick-off meetings to begin the process of developing project worksheets, the basis of reimbursement for damages and cost incurred. All kick-off meetings should be concluded by May 9.

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## **Crude Oil Transport**

OEM's Public Information Office is assisting in the coordination and partnerships involved with safe crude oil transport on Oregon Railways. OEM helped coordinate Crude Oil Field Day, Apr. 29, at the Linnton Depot Railyard in Portland. The event was a multiagency effort to inform the public, policymakers, and the media on measures being taken in regard to crude oil safety. Additionally, OEM PIOs are helping draft a communication support document for Crude Oil transport. The following bullet points summarize OEM's role in crude oil transport:

- Coordinate with local jurisdictions to develop and maintain city and county emergency operations plans.
- Serve as the State's 24-hour central reporting point (through the Oregon Emergency Response System (OERS)) for the notification of oil and hazardous materials spills and other emergency incidents.
- Coordinate and field requests from county EOCs when additional resources are needed for an oil or hazmat incident.
- Coordinate with the federal agencies when necessary.

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## **FY13 EMPG Reallocation**

In April, OEM conducted an analysis of FY13 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) funding and identified \$195,000 in additional federal funds available. The EMPG team received 15 applications from local partners totaling \$517,287. Based on the funding priorities (personnel first, followed by special projects), OEM was able to provide some level of funding to each jurisdiction that applied. All applicants have been notified of their award amounts and OEM is currently processing necessary amendments.

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## **Emergency Management Planning Inventory**

The goal and scope of the Emergency Management Planning Inventory Project is to identify and increase awareness and status of state emergency program plans. This includes assessing the presence/absence of plans, compliance with legislative and

administrative requirements and rules regarding updates and promulgation, as well as clarifying responsible agency or agencies for specific plan development and updating. Another goal of this project is to facilitate a sustainable system for facilitating up-to-date and robust plans. This project is currently in a development stage, and input is welcomed.

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### **Wildland Fire Partnerships**

Wildfire events that directly threatened critical energy facilities during the 2013 fire season have led to efforts to increased communication between Wildland Fire Dispatch Centers and energy providers through promotion of pre-season emergency point of contact information sharing. While utility employees, energy production/transmission facilities, and telecommunication lines were directly at risk last year, indirect threats included cooling shelters, communities, and telecommunication lines that serve significant portions of Oregon and adjacent States. OEM provided utility contact information resources along with utility-provider coverage maps to assist the center managers in identifying emergency points of contacts prior to fire season. The center managers were also encouraged to include critical infrastructure owners in dispatch center pre-season planning meetings for safety related information and cooperative training opportunities.

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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:

- Obtaining Hanford Nuclear Site information from Washington State EMD
- Loading data from the Oregon Department of Agriculture
- Coordinating with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to implement RAFT (Real Time Assessment and Flooding Tool) data into RAPTOR
- Loading data from the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (the first tribal nation to contribute data to the RAPTOR system)
- Working with the University of Oregon InfoGraphics team on iRAPTOR program application and the Damage Assessment tool (to be tested in May)

There will be ongoing coordination with federal, state, local and private partners to load additional beneficial data and enhance the user experience. OEM encourages all stakeholders to share data and learn how to use the free RAPTOR program (training available upon request).

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### **Emergency Management Planner**

Chuck Perino has accepted a new position with the Oregon Business Development Department and his last day with OEM is May 8. For approximately 4.5 years, Chuck has been a valued member of the OEM Plans and Training team with significant successes such as the State Cascadia Operations Plan, Cyber Operations Plan, Drought Council, numerous Emergency Coordination Center (ECC) activations, and

Tribal coordination. We are working to fill the planner position and will miss Chuck's investment and contribution to the emergency management profession.

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### **Local Emergency Managers' Lists**

OEM maintains two types of lists of Emergency Managers. One is a comprehensive list titled "Local Emergency Managers" that includes contact information by county for OEM contacts, a page for tribes, and contact information for OEM staff and their job titles.

These contact lists can be found on OEM's website at ([www.oregon.gov/OMD/OEM](http://www.oregon.gov/OMD/OEM)).

The second type is two separate email distribution lists for information sharing, not on our website, comprised of OEM's main contact in each county. Changes, additions, or questions on the above mentioned contact lists should be emailed to Bev Hall at

[bev.hall@state.or.us](mailto:bev.hall@state.or.us).

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### **OEM Hiring**

OEM is currently in the process of filling vacancies of several positions. The following positions are either new positions or currently vacant:

- **Administrative Specialist 1 (Grants Assistant)** – Closed March 9 – Position offered to Genevie Ziebell with a start date of May 9.
- **Office Assistant 2 (Technology and Response Section)** – Closed March 23. In process of scheduling interviews.
- **Information System Specialist 3 (9-1-1 Database Analyst)** – Closed March 25. Interviews scheduled for May 8.
- **Program Analyst 4 (Emergency Management Program Analyst)** – Closed March 27. In process of scheduling interviews.
- **Information System Specialist 8 (Next Gen 9-1-1 Project Manager)** - Closed April 14. Interviews scheduled May 6.
- **Information System Specialist 7 (DBA Application Developer)** – Closed on April 10. Interviews scheduled May 8.
- **Planner 3 (Emergency Management Planner)** – To be posted soon.

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