

OREGON HOMELAND SECURITY COUNCIL (OHSC) July 14, 2022 Meeting Minutes:

Members Present, In-person and/or via Virtual Teams Meeting:

Senator Brian Boquist

Senator Floyd Prozanski

Representative Rick Lewis

Representative Paul Evans

Constantin Severe, Governor's Public Safety Advisor

Mike Harryman, State Resilience Officer

Andrew Phelps, Director, Oregon Department of Emergency Management and Vice Chair of the council

Michael Slauson, Chief Counsel, Criminal Justice Division, Oregon Department of Justice

Rich Austria, Special Agent in Charge, Criminal Justice Division, Oregon Department of Justice

Brian Henson, Acting Director, Department of Public Safety and Standards Training Mike Stencel, The Adjutant General, Oregon Military Department Mariana Ruiz-Temple, State Fire Marshall, Office of the Sate Fire Marshall Heidi Stewart, Interim Director, Department of Corrections

Non-Members Present, In-person and/or via Virtual Teams Meeting:

Evan Sorce, Chief of Staff, Representative Evans' Office Casey Codding, Operations Major, Oregon State Police

Administrative Support Present, via Virtual Teams Meeting:

Cira Murray, Oregon Department of Emergency Management

Meeting was called to order at 9:00am.

Opening Comments – Andrew Phelps

Director Phelps welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Overview of OHSC Statutory Authorities and Expectations

Director Phelps reviewed the new roles and responsibilities created in HB 2927 from the 2021 legislative session.

OHSC Legislative and Member's Intent

Senator Boquist discussed the need to assess risks to Oregon and its citizens, threats to critical infrastructure, recommending strategies and recommend policy changes to the Governor.

Mike Harryman discussed opportunities for engagement with the new Emergency Preparedness Advisory Council and that the governor's office is still working to fill committee positions.

Members discussed strategies for aligning the work of the Homeland Security Advisory Council and the Emergency Preparedness Advisory Council.

Director Phelps discussed possible priorities for the incoming governor to consider for the Council, to include an annual review of the Homeland Security Grant Program and our State Homeland Security Strategy to align priorities under the grant. As the State Hazard Mitigation Plan is updated to include technological and human caused disasters it would be helpful for this council to have visibility on that update.

Potential Focus Areas for Future Meetings

Director Phelps discussed the need for a council charter.

Roundtable Discussion

Updates were provided on The World Athletic Championships (Oregon22).

Representative Evans requested information on the SPIRE grant and language changes needed to access resources.

Director Phelps confirmed state agencies cannot currently apply for a SPIRE grant as the recipient and a statutory change would be needed to allow state agencies to be eligible applicants.

Closing Remarks – Vice Chair

The next OHSC meeting will be held in the fall; date to follow.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 am.

Respectfully submitted by Cira Murray, Executive Assistant, OEM Director's Office