



OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

OEM: Weekly Watch Report

November 26-December 2, 2018

Message from the Director – Director Phelps reminds everyone to be prepared for winter weather traveling and to practice safe cyber-shopping during the holiday season.

Weather –

The NWS has developed seasonal weather preparedness material to use for [weather safety and preparedness messaging](#). Feel free to use these resources as you share safety information with your communities.

You can view the current watches and warnings [here](#).

- [NWS Portland](#)
- [NWS Pendleton](#)
- [NWS Medford](#)
- [NWS Boise](#)

In the News –

- [All Oregon strike teams home from deadly Camp Fire](#)
- [Camp Fire nears full containment; additional assistance center opens in Oroville](#)
- [Coos County Search and Rescue members aid in Camp fire recovery](#)
- [Earthquake ready: Early warning system update, how to prep emergency kit](#)

Cascadia Playbook –

Oregon's Office of Emergency Management developed a Cascadia Playbook concept to serve as a reference guide for how state agencies across Oregon will coordinate efforts during a major disaster. A working draft, first published in 2014 was the starting point for our critical response partners to collaborate, vet and refine the content. The Playbook was updated in 2015. Version 3 of the Cascadia Playbook was published last month and incorporates lessons learned from the Cascadia Rising 2016 exercise and critical input from emergency support function partners. [Cascadia Playbook V3](#) has been posted on the OEM website.

EMAC -

The Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) is a state-to-state mutual aid system that facilitates the sharing of resources across state lines during a disaster.

- ESF-6 (mass care) representative Stan Thomas (DHS) deployed on Nov. 20 to California's EOC to assist in ESF-6 activities in response to the CA wildfires.
- All OSFM and ODF firefighting assets recently deployed to Florida for Hurricane Michael, and California for the Camp Fire, have returned from their missions.

We extend our thanks and appreciation to all local and state partners who have assisted other states during their time of need.

Training –

We have several upcoming trainings that are exciting opportunities.

- Dec. 10-14, 2018: L0110 National Emergency Management Basic Academy Train-the-Trainer (Salem). Applications due by Thursday, Nov. 8, 2018. To get on the applicant list, register at: <https://L0110-salem2018.eventbrite.com>.
- Feb. 4-7, 2019: MGT906 Incident Command System (ICS) Curricula, Train-the-Trainer (L0449) (Salem). Applications due by Jan.3, 2019. For registration information contact gwalsh@cityofsalem.net.

Oregon's Current Training Calendar: <http://www.oregon.gov/oem/emresources/Pages/Training.aspx>

Washington State Training Calendar: <https://mil.wa.gov/training-and-exercise>

Idaho State Training Calendar: <https://www.idahoprepares.com/preceptorStudent/calendar.k2>

FEMA Region X Training calendar: <http://fema.mhsoftware.com/ViewNonBannerMonth.html>

9-1-1

The State 9-1-1 Program will be attending the Oregon APCO/NENA Chapter quarterly meeting the week of Dec. 3 to provide program updates and additional information surrounding 9-1-1 call taking equipment and program processes.

Planning –

- FEMA, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and their federal partners in the Mitigation Federal Leadership Group (MitFLG) Disaster Resilience Indicators Subcommittee released a "[Draft Interagency Concept for Community Resilience Indicators and National-Level Progress Measures](#)."
- The Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration updated the [Guidance and Standards](#) used for flood mapping and risk analysis efforts. There were five standards with significant updates, three new standards, six standards with minor terminology updates and five rescinded standards in this maintenance cycle.

Mitigation and Recovery —

- The Public Assistance Team at OEM (Julie and Dan) have been sending out to the local lists FEMA Public Assistance program updates as we receive them. Recent notifications include FEMA disaster indicators and threshold for FFY19 effective Oct. 1, 2018 and FEMA Public Assistance Revised PA Fact Sheet Contracting Requirements Checklist. Please contact Julie Slevin or Dan Gwin if you have any questions. Also possibly significant changes coming with the recent passage of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018, which include in this bill the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA). We are reviewing the DRRA for potential impacts good or bad. We expect FEMA policy and guidance to be forthcoming with this Act.
- HMA News:
 - Complete applications for PDM and FMA 18 must be entered into eGrants by Jan. 4, 2019 to be considered for the national competition (State deadline).
 - It is business as usual for HMA with respect to the DRRA (mentioned above). The SHMO is waiting for additional guidance and policy from FEMA Region 10 before any significant changes are made. More to come on this issue.
 - **HMGP Post-fire application** period end date will be in May 2019. Applications are **due to the SHMO by 5 p.m. on April 5, 2019**. Those counties that are participating in this funding

opportunity now have a bit more time to prepare applications. It is still uncertain how much additional funding may be available statewide.

RAPTOR and OpsCenter –

As mentioned in our recent local and tribal emergency manager update call, we are in the process of updating the infrastructure back-end for our software systems here at OEM. As a part of this update, users of these systems will see downtime associated with these applications. We will be sure to let the community know of when these are set to occur, so please stay tuned for more information.

Search and Rescue –

- The annual Search & Rescue Advisory Council (SARAC) meeting will be Dec.2-6, 2018 at the Riverhouse Resort and Conference Center in Bend. SARAC council members, SAR federal partners and county SAR coordinators always attend in conjunction with the Oregon State Sheriff's Association (OSSA) annual conference and awards banquet. [Annual Conference Registration](#).
- The annual "Direction and Control of the Search Function - Winter SAR Operations" (WSAR) is scheduled for Jan. 28 – Feb. 1, 2019, in Mono County at the Westin, Mammoth Lakes, CA. The Mono County Sheriff's Office is the host for the course this year. For more information visit: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov/cal-oes-divisions/law-enforcement/training>, or contact California SAR Coordinator Mark Baldwin at mark.baldwin@CalOES.gov.ca.
- For general SAR information and statewide training, contact State SAR Coordinator Scott Lucas at scott.lucas@mil.state.or.us or 971-283-6135.

Now Hiring –

- Lane County is hiring an [Emergency Program Manager](#).
- Oregon State University's Department of Public Safety is hiring a [Manager-Emergency Preparedness](#).

Preparedness Tip –

The winter months are filled with holiday celebrations. Enjoy them while keeping aware of your surroundings and potential suspicious activity. This might be an unusual item or situation such as a vehicle parked in an odd location or unattended package. If you see something, say something by reporting it to local law enforcement or person of authority. Visit <https://www.dhs.gov/see-something-say-something/about-campaign> for more information.

Disaster of the Week –

December 2, 2010: The [deadliest wildfire in Israel's history](#) began on Mount Carmel. This fire claimed 44 lives, including 37 prison service officer cadets, who were traveling to a prison to evacuate inmates when their bus was trapped by a falling tree and overcome by flames. It was determined that the fire was human caused; despite initial rumors that the fire was an act of terrorism, investigators found that improper disposal of smoking materials by a 14 year-old sparked the blaze.

Lessons learned: This tragedy led to changes in the way Israel fights wildfires, with a primary focus on improving communications and tactical coordination between air and ground firefighting resources. Following this fire, Israel established an aerial firefighting squadron comprised of five aircraft. It is also important to note the international response to this incident. Israel lacked adequate resources to extinguish this fire, so firefighting resources from the United States, United Kingdom, Switzerland, Italy, Egypt and many others. Turkey also sent resources, this on the heels of a [raid on a Turkish humanitarian vessel](#) bringing supplies to Gaza by Israeli forces, which killed 8 Turkish citizens. The Palestinian Authority also sent fire trucks and personnel to battle the blaze. This unprecedented act in Israel-Palestinian relations is demonstrative of the importance of neighbors helping neighbors in times of crisis and a lesson from which we can all benefit.

ECC –

The State ECC is currently in Steady State (Normal operations). All requests for assistance should be made by contacting OERS at 1-800-452-0311.