



# OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

## OEM: Weekly Watch Report

**June 28 – July 5, 2020**

OEM Weekly Watch Reports are available online at <https://www.oregon.gov/OEM/Pages/weeklywatch.aspx>

### Message from the Director

Director Phelps looks ahead to the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday and offers reminders on safe celebrations.

### **Weather and Hazards**

View current watches and warnings [here](#). Check out our weather dashboard [here](#).

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

Interested in a quick overview of hazards currently affecting Oregon and surrounding areas? Check out our [Leadership Briefing](#) product.

### **State ECC Status: *Activated***

OEM continues to support OHA's COVID-19 response through the ECC. Operational period is Thursday through Wednesday. ECC coordination calls held on Thursday afternoons. All requests for assistance should be made by contacting OERS at 1-800-452-0311 or directly through OpsCenter. In addition to participating in the PPE and Communities of Color MAC subcommittees, OEM is lead for the Emergency Management subcommittee.

### **COVID-19**

On June 19, Governor Kate Brown issued face covering requirements for indoor public spaces in Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington, Marion, Polk, Hood River and Lincoln Counties, which became effective on June 24. On June 26, Clatsop County was added to the list, with the requirement to become effective July 1. The Governor's Office continues to strongly recommend that Oregonians in all counties wear face coverings in public, both indoors and outdoors, especially when six feet of distance from other individuals cannot be maintained. Guidance and information about the reopening process under the Governor's plan to build a safe and strong Oregon is available at [coronavirus.oregon.gov](https://coronavirus.oregon.gov).

- On March 8, 2020, Governor Kate Brown declared a state of emergency to address the spread of COVID-19 in Oregon.
- As of June 28, Oregon has 7,818 cases (positive and presumptive) of COVID-19 and a total of 202 deaths.
- COVID-19 information including case counts, testing, county data, reopening phases and guidance is available in multiple languages at <https://govstatus.egov.com/OR-OHA-COVID-19>.

### **Umatilla, Union, Wallowa County and CTUIR Flooding – DR4519**

On April 3, 2020, Oregon received a Presidential Major Disaster Declaration (FEMA-4519-DR-OR) for Umatilla, Union and Walla Counties in Oregon, and the confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, which experienced severe storms, flooding, landslides and mudslides during the period of February 5-9, 2020. The declaration allows for FEMA Public Assistance (PA) for damage to infrastructure in all three counties as well as the CTUIR. In addition, Individual Assistance (IA) is available to eligible residents in Umatilla County and CTUIR to help recover from damages to homes and livelihoods. The Small Business Administration (SBA) is offering federal disaster loans for property damage and economic impacts caused by the event.

- As of June 28, more than \$4 million in disaster assistance funds have been awarded to Umatilla Co. and CTUIR residents.
- The deadline to apply for FEMA Individual Assistance, and accompanying recovery funding, is July 2, 2020.

### **Drought**

The following Oregon counties have local drought declarations: Coos, Crook, Curry, Deschutes, Douglas, Gilliam, Jackson, Jefferson, Klamath and Wasco. For updates on the latest drought conditions and declarations, visit: [www.oregon.gov/OWRD/programs/climate/droughtwatch/](http://www.oregon.gov/OWRD/programs/climate/droughtwatch/).

### **Wildfire**

OEM joins forces with OSFM, Keep Oregon Green and the Oregon Department of Forestry to promote wildfire awareness. As a reminder, OEM has several resources on wildfire preparedness including a [Wildfire Communications Toolkit](#) and a “Fire Activity” tab on our RAPTOR [Leadership Briefing](#) webpage.

### **In the News**

- [Back to school in Oregon: What your district’s plan looks like](#)
- [Wildfire in Columbia River Gorge mapped at 14 acres](#)
- [Helicopter rescue saves injured climber from top of Mt. Hood](#)
- [US Agency Managing Medical Stockpile Failed America, Experts tell Congress](#)

### **Public/Private Partnership Program**

For tips on being better prepared for a disaster, access our [Business Preparedness Checklist](#) online. For additional questions or for hard copies of the Checklist, reach out to Public Private Partnership Program Manager Sonya McCormick at [sonya.mccormick@state.or.us](mailto:sonya.mccormick@state.or.us).

### **Training**

Several National Domestic Preparedness Consortium partners have transitioned training to a virtual environment. These options can be requested for delivery of training classes:

- AWR-148 [Crisis Management for School-Based Incidents](#) – Partnering Rural Law Enforcement, First Responders and Local School Systems
- AWR-232 [Mass Fatalities Planning & Response for Rural Communities](#)
- MGT-381 [Business Continuity Planning](#)
- MGT-416 [Introduction to Continuity of Government Planning for Rural Jurisdictions](#)

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>

### **RAPTOR and OpsCenter**

- RAPTOR has been updated to include new wildfire data, which now provides access to view sub-acre fires across the landscape. You can see these new data points on the public and secure versions of RAPTOR, as well as our leadership briefing application.
- We have created a new survey and mapping application to display businesses that are open. Check out the details on our [COVID-19 response website](#) and forward [this link](#) to any business that would like to sign up and be featured on the application.

### **Disaster Recovery**

Counties interested in SBA disaster loan programs due to damage and/or other impacts caused by recent civil unrest must meet the following criteria [SBA 13 CFR 123.3]:

- In any county or other political subdivision of a state, a combination of at least 25 homes, businesses or other eligible institutions have each sustained uninsured losses of 40% or more of their estimated fair market replacement value or pre-disaster fair market value, whichever is lower. Physical disaster requests must be made within 60 days of the incident.
- At least five small businesses in the state have suffered substantial economic injury due to a sudden physical event, and there is not reasonable financial assistance available in the area. [Substantial economic injury typically means at least a week or two without the normal number of sales/revenue due to the event.] Economic Injury requests must be made within 120 days of the incident.

While tribes are not eligible applicants under these SBA programs, a business owned by a member of a tribe could be included in any assessments. Counties interested in pursuing these loan programs should contact [sonya.mccormick@state.or.us](mailto:sonya.mccormick@state.or.us) or [joseph.murray@state.or.us](mailto:joseph.murray@state.or.us).

### **Grants**

- **EMPG FY20** - Invitations to apply were sent all eligible jurisdictions. July 8, 2020 is the application due date. Please contact [Jim Jungling](#) if you did not get the invite or have questions about the application process.
- **Emergency Management Performance Grant Program COVID-19 Supplemental (EMPG-S)** - Oregon has been awarded EMPG-S to help with the COVID-19 pandemic. These funds are available to EMPG eligible jurisdictions. Guidance is coming; watch your inbox for more information. Visit: <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/187029> for more information.
- **SPIRE** – The equipment procurement and delivery process has been slowed due to COVID-19. More information coming soon.

### **Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grants**

- Reminder: Applications for DR-4432-OR (February 23-26, 2019, winter storm that impacted Jefferson, Lane, Douglas, Coos and Curry Counties) are due no later than 11:59 p.m. on July 1; please send items to [shmo@mil.state.or.us](mailto:shmo@mil.state.or.us).
- The deadline to submit a Letter of Intent for the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program for DR-4519-OR (February 5-9, 2020, severe storms, floods and landslides that affected Umatilla, Union and Wallowa Counties, and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation) is July 20. HMGP funds can be used for projects specific to flooding, natural hazard mitigation plans (NHMP) and Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPP). Further guidance can be found at <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279>.

- FEMA has announced that registration is now open for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Summer Engagement Series! Please visit the [BRIC Summer Engagement Series](#) page to register for the sessions of your choice. FEMA hosts an engagement session, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. PDT, each Wednesday in July. The virtual sessions bring FEMA subject matter experts and partners together to discuss key elements of the newly developed BRIC program. The sessions are geared toward leaders in states, local communities, tribes and territories, as well as private sector entities, private non-profit organizations and individuals interested in learning more about the grant program. Each engagement will be recorded and posted online. Topics include:
  - July 1 - Introduction to Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities
  - July 8 - Meaning of the BRIC Name
  - July 15 - BRIC and Building Codes
  - July 22 - BRIC and Community Lifelines
  - July 29 - BRIC and Nature-Based SolutionsNote that this series does not replace Hazard Mitigation Assistance's annual notice of Funding Opportunity webinars, which provide detailed information to apply to a grant program before the grant application cycle opens. The HMA NOFO webinars will be offered later this summer and early fall. For more information on the BRIC program, visit <https://www.fema.gov/bric>.
- For those who are currently working applications for HMGP 4452 (April 6-21, 2019, impacting Umatilla, Wheeler, Grant, Linn, Douglas and Curry Counties), applications and materials are due Monday, September 7; please send items to [shmo@mil.state.or.us](mailto:shmo@mil.state.or.us).

#### **Search and Rescue**

- The OSSA SARAC committee for updating and reviewing policy standards for K9 SAR in Oregon has been completed. Committee lead Deputy Scott Meyers, Clackamas County Sheriff SAR, released the approved version for 2020 to SARAC Chairperson Bruce McGuire and the council. After review, it will be distributed to all 36 county Sheriff SAR teams. This was the first revision since 2003. A yearly review is now in place to keep the policy relevant to the ever-changing SAR environment.
- SAR events and workshops for 2020 to date are now virtual. Monthly SAR team meetings and/or training in Phase 1 or 2 counties are being held with physical/social distancing guidelines in place. For general SAR information and statewide training, contact State SAR Coordinator Scott Lucas at [scott.lucas@mil.state.or.us](mailto:scott.lucas@mil.state.or.us) or 971-283-6135.