



OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

OEM: Weekly Watch Report

August 3 – 10, 2020

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

Message from the Director – Director Phelps talks about Search and Rescue in Oregon, salutes local SAR volunteers, and offers tips for staying safe when taking advantages of recreational opportunities in our state.

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 is supporting OHA's COVID-19 response through the ECC. Operational period is Thursday through Wednesday. ECC coordination calls held on Thursday afternoons. Requests for assistance may be made by contacting OERS at 1-800-452-0311 or directly through OpsCenter.

COVID-19

For all of Oregon, regardless of what phase a county is in, face coverings are required for all people age 5+ in indoor public spaces and outdoors when physical distancing isn't possible, including while exercising. All indoor social gatherings are capped at 10 people. Restaurants and bars must close at 10 p.m. Capacity limit for restaurants, gyms, venues (e.g., concert halls, movie theaters) is a maximum of 100 people indoors, including staff. This information, additional guidelines, and information on case counts, testing, county data, reopening phases is available at <https://govstatus.egov.com/or-covid-19>.

Drought / Wildfire

As of August 3, 13 Oregon counties have been declared drought status from Governor Kate Brown. A declaration request was received from Lake County and is in process. For an update on drought conditions and impacts for Oregon, visit <https://www.weather.gov/media/pqr/WaterSupplyOutlook.pdf>. Drought, combined with the high temperatures that are occurring across the state, can set the stage for wildfires. 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

- [Three people rescued from Mt. Hood in one day](#)
- [Non-profit helps evacuate livestock](#)
- [Heat, fire danger, pandemic prompt preparedness call: Be '2 Weeks Ready'](#)

Public/Private Partnership Program

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provide a wide array of guidance for businesses in responding to COVID-19, including the newly updated [Employer Information for Office Buildings](#). This document outlines steps to ensure a business is ready for occupancy, assists in identifying where and how employees may be exposed at work, and suggestions on developing hazard controls to reduce COVID-19 transmission among workers. For questions or to request to be included in the OEM Public Private Partnership listserv, reach out to Public Private Partnership Program Manager Sonya McCormick at sonya.mccormick@state.or.us.

Training

With the current COVID-19 situation, national training partners have pivoted to providing courses in a virtual environment. We have several upcoming virtual trainings for Oregon that are exciting opportunities.

- AWR-232 Mass Fatalities Planning and Response for Rural Communities – virtual Zoom delivery. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., August 25-26, 2020. [Register](#).
- FEMA P-154 Rapid Visual Screenings of Buildings for Potential Seismic Hazards (pre-disaster) - virtual delivery. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., September 2, 2020. [Register](#).
- ATC-20 Post-Earthquake Safety Evaluation of Buildings (post-disaster) - virtual delivery. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., September 9, 2020. [Register](#).
 - Participants may sign up for one or both of the FEMA P-154 and ATC-20 trainings.
 - Participants are highly encouraged to sign up for both trainings.

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

- A new iteration of the public version of RAPTOR now provides 2D and 3D, allowing all users to see hazard data in both views. You can access it here: <https://arcgis/1qr5bS>.
- Our leadership briefing application has been updated to show a broad overview of all hazards in infographic form, offering an at-a-glance view of the status of all hazards within Oregon. View the updated leadership briefing application here: <https://bit.ly/2zNczuF>.

Grants

- **FY 19 EMPG** – All reports were due by the end of July. Please submit if you have not done so, in order for the grant year to be closed out. Questions? Contact [Jim Jungling](#) or [Nicki Powers](#).
- **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 will be available August 7, 2020. The application packet will be on the OEM [website](#).
- **SPIRE** – The equipment procurement and delivery process has been slowed due to COVID-19. Requests for bids have gone out for the mobile water purification systems. More information to come. Thank you for your patience.

Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grants

- Applications and materials for HMGP 4452 (April 6-21, 2019, impacting Umatilla, Wheeler, Grant, Linn, Douglas and Curry Counties) are due Monday, September 7; submit items to shmo@mil.state.or.us.

Planning

- OEM updated the [National Incident Management System \(NIMS\) Who Takes What](#) guide to align with the updated NIMS Training Program. For specific questions regarding NIMS training requirements, reach out to the State NIMS contact Alaina.mayfield@state.or.us or 971-719-0783.
- OEM is reverting to the original federal names for 15 Emergency Support Functions (ESFs), and adding three additional ESFs as higher numbers. Please note these changes do not affect the function of the agency or ESF: More detailed explanatory documents have been distributed through a number of channels already. Within the next few months, as Ops Center is reconfigured, we will begin using the new numbering system in Situation Reports and other incident documents, as well as the State Emergency Operations Plan and associated job aids. For more information about this ESF realignment, please contact erik.rau@mil.state.or.us; 503-378-3252 or kelly.jo.craigmiles@mil.state.or.us; 503-378-2865.

Search and Rescue

- The Oregon State Sheriff's Association Search (OSSA) and Rescue Advisory Council (SARAC) have approved the updated policy standards for K9 SAR in Oregon. Committee lead Deputy Scott Meyers, Clackamas County Sheriff SAR, released the committee approved version for 2020 to SARAC Chairperson Bruce McGuire and the council for their review earlier in the year. Now approved and accepted, the updated policy standards 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.
- The link below is for the latest edition of "Journal of Search and Rescue (JSAR). Oregon provided data for this latest issue, as well other SAR heavy states. Page 194 is the beginning of his specific detailed report on SAR during the COVID pandemic.
http://journalofsar.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/v4i2_full_issue.pdf
- SAR events and workshops for 2020 to date are now virtual. The OSSA annual conference held in Bend and the Sheriff's Command College have been rescheduled for 2021. Monthly SAR team meetings are being held with physical/social distancing and mask guidelines in place.
- 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

- Oregon Office of Emergency Management is hiring a [Program Analyst 3 \(Grants Coordinator\)](#). This is a permanent position at the OEM office in Salem. OEM will hold a conference call to discuss the position scope and areas of responsibility with interested applicants from 1:30-2:30 p.m. on Aug. 3 (conference call: 888-363-4734, PIN 152191#).
- METCOM is hiring a full-time communication specialist and a part-time call-taker. Applicants may apply for both positions using the same application packet but need to indicate which or both job(s) is/are being applied for. Apply at www.metcom911.com. Click on CAREERS, then CURRENT OPENINGS.
- ODOE is hiring a [Principal Executive](#) for its Nuclear Safety & Emergency Preparedness Division.