EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting November 1, 2018 ~ Building 91 ~ Camp Murray

Meeting called to order by Ron Averill, Chair, 9:00 AM

In Attendance – Introduction of Attendees

[Scanned sign in roster following minutes]

Michael Loehr-DOH

Raquel Lackey-WAVOAD

Jim Sande-Swinomish Tribe

Approval of Minutes

- Review of previous meeting minutes
 - Motion to Approve: Ron Averill
 - o Approval: Unanimous

Opening Comments

General Daugherty

MINUTES

General Daugherty welcomed everyone and provided an update on cyber security. Cyber is working with the state's office on updates and they found vulnerabilities and are working on getting them fixed before the election; as well we are taking a look at critical infrastructure that affects our military bases.

We have talked briefly about the Continuity of Government; the focus from the cabinets point of view is on emergency communications, what kind of training, who has/needs satellite phones etc. the message from the cabinet remains that there is no money, so we are looking into how we can work around that. We are preparing for the legislative session, and we are looking into getting the state ready for a Cascadia subduction zone eruption. Not getting money from the state makes it hard to do this, but we are going to continue to fight that.

We are also pushing for tuition assistance for the national guard, and we are going to talk about earthquake and early warning and how that will work, and also about FEMA grants and how those work.

EMD Remarks:

Robert Ezelle

In the last meeting I gave a briefing on decision packages. We have been asked to put together a minimum package to submit to the Governor's Office. Assistant Director Jason Marquiss is not here today because he is working on that. For the last several months, we have been supporting EMAC deployments to Hawaii and locations affected by Hurricane Michael. The emergency communications have been a high priority for the Governor to have a survivable communications system. I am working on putting together a draft list of requirements on what a survivable communications system looks like.

John Ufford has retired, and Lit Dudley has moved on to a new position at WSDOT as the Olympic Region Emergency Manager. In light of these changes, over the next few months we will be looking at how we can build depth within our organizational chart and how we can restructure the preparedness unit. Rosanne Garrand will be retiring soon, and we are in the process of hiring her position. We are also in the process filling vacancies in the planning and logistics teams. We will be conducting interviews for our Director's Office admin position and will hopefully be filling that position by December 1st or 15th.

FEMA Remarks:

FEMA's strategy has broadened and identified new things, we are looking to build and rebuild a culture of preparedness and living in the most seismic region in the country, we really need to have a focus on preparedness. These are not short-term issues these are extensive campaigns. We need to address the gaps in insurance coverage, with 70% of the population that are not covered by insurance we need to take a look at what earthquake insurance looks like and does.

Looking at the size and population of those involved with Cascadia is important, what does that look like for us? We are working with partners and airport assessments and looking at critical infrastructure and how it would be affected by a Cascadia incident.

The FEMA administration is looking at the concept of a block grant requirement, where we can provide a block of money and higher management cost of what we can provide during an incident. Readying the nation and the region for catastrophic disasters.

State Legislative Update

Nancy Bickford, the Intergovernmental Affairs and Policy Director for the Washington Military Department explained the Emergency Management budget and legislation priorities for the 2019 session that are currently submitted to the Washington State Governor's agency request process. All agencies submit funding and bill proposals to the Governor in Sep approval. An agency is not allowed to submit requests to a legislator for bill sponsorship until the agency request process is completed. She also discussed and explained the legislature process that a bill must successfully navigate to become law in Washington State and the legislative calendar for a "long" 105-day session.

Written Committee – Task Force Reports Review

Ron Averill

Nancy Bickford

• State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)

Last meeting was Wednesday October 31st, 2018

Current Status of Subcommittee Work plan:

- SERC By-Laws were updated and approved at our last meeting.
- SERC will be working to identify a date in the near future to have a special meeting to review our current strategic plan, and the goal is to update the plan as needed annually.

Report out of issues discussed at last Subcommittee Meeting:

- Training
 - Scott Lancaster ad vised the SERC that to date approximately 725 first responders have been trained with approximately 100 more to be trained by the end of the year.
 - o LEPC/Tribal Conference, 04/30-2019 through 05/02/2019, and will be in Icicle Village, WA.
 - Haz-Mat Workshop has been tentatively set for 04/05/2019 through 04/07/2019, and the location is still to be determined.
- EPCRA
 - Kasia Peirzga, Washington Department of Ecology, updated the SERC related to a large Public Records Request that was made for all Tier II data.
 - Dian Fowler, Washington State Ecology, reported that the Tier II delinquent list was smaller this year.
- HEMP and SERC Budget

FEMA Region X

- TJ Rajcevich, Washington Emergency Management, provided an update on the SERC Budget and the HEMP Grant status. TJ also advised that there were additional training funds for rural areas awarded for the 2019 Grant, and those funds have been passed along to Washington State Patrol to provide that training.
- TJ advised that there had been a change in the grant guidance and that food and beverages will no longer be an allowable expenditure.

Statutory Issues Report out (WAMAS {Washington Mutual Aid System} and SERC {State Emergency Response Commission} Only):

• The SERC has been reviewing Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 118.40, and will be provide an update related to the possible changes to code during our next meeting 02/02/2019.

Other Issues:

• All SERC members in attendance watched the annual required Washington Open Public Meeting Act training.

Date of next meeting:

• 02/06/2019, 0900-1200, at Camp Murray.

• Washington Mutual Aid System (WAMAS)

- Meeting will be 10/24/18
- Currently the committee membership is down to 4 people; one new person needs appointed and I recommend that it is filled by a member that can use WAMAS.
- Members include cities, towns, counties, & Federally recognized Tribes [Tribal government resolution declaring intention to be a member needed] Note: State agencies and Special Purpose districts are not members of WAMAS.
- The subcommittee charter establishes terms of 2 years for committee members; I recommend compliance with the charter or a charter update/re-write.

• <u>Seismic Safety (SS)</u>

- Last meeting for the Seismic Safety Committee was held on August 24, 2018.
- During the August 24 meeting Harold Tobin, the new Director of PNSN was introduced
- Joan Gomberg, USGS, gave a talk about their focus on subduction zones science
- Travis West, DNR, gave a presentation on geologic analysis for school seismic safety
- Scott Black, OSPI, gave a presentation on OSPI's ICOS system and school inventory database
- Dave Swanson, Reid Middleton, gave an update on the school seismic safety project and engineering analysis for schools
- Paul Bodin and Bill Steele, from PNSN gave updates on Earthquake Early Warning system
- Maximillian Dixon, EMD, gave a presentation on Earthquake Early Warning in Japan
- John Schelling, Dept. of Commerce, gave an update on the URM project.

Additional items:

- The preliminary School Seismic Safety report was sent to the Legislature and Governor's office
- Washington had over 1 million participants again for Shakeout 2018
- Whatcom County conducted a full-scale volcano eruption exercise for Mount Baker WGS submitted decision packages asking for funding for:

- School seismic safety project \$5M
- Landslide package \$433,200
- Wildfire debris flow package \$234,000
- o Geothermal exploration \$632,000

The next SSC meeting is November 30 at 10am in Olympia at the NRB

• Emergency Management Advisory Group (EMAG)

The EMAG met on Thursday September 20. Approximately half of the membership was in attendance.

- Tirzah Kincheloe provided a grants update. 2016 returned EMPG was used to purchase 200 bariatric cots. They are currently being stored at Benton County, Spokane County, Grays Harbor County, San Juan County, Redmond, and Tacoma. They are available for any county that has a need for them. For FY18 EMPG, Tribal funding amount was \$98,665. EMD received four applications, totaling \$79,440. Local applications are still in the process of being reviewed and finalized for agreements.
- DHS Office of Infrastructure Protection briefed the preliminary results of the Washington State Transportation Systems RRAP.
- Robert shared progress to date of the EMAG workgroup studying statewide emergency management. Ideas being examined are centers of excellence. Regional operations. Defining the responsibilities of the different levels of government. How to better synchronize activities.

• Infrastructure Resilience Subcommittee (IRSC)

The next IRSC meeting is set for November 7th. The agenda is expected to cover a draft Recovery Support Function covering Infrastructure Systems for the Washington Restoration Framework. Additional topics to be covered include:

- Update on the Transportation Systems RRAP
- Discussion on August Fractured Grid Exercise and upcoming GridEx exercise
- Discussion on September WAWARN Functional Drinking Water Exercise
- Review new state Emergency Support Function annex plan format
- Open dialogue around 2019 workplan. Catastrophic planning? Other focus?

• Inclusion and Equity Subcommittee (IES)

August 23rd Meeting

- IES received a briefing from Department of Health (DOH) on the communication tools available, the process used to develop the tools, and different methods to access the resources.
- In addition to that brief, DOH also presented on the Severe Smoke Plan update, what information is included in the plan, and where to access the plan.
 - Conversation focused around the concept of "Clean Air Shelters" and associated organizational roles and capabilities. It was noted that no organization has the resources to operate a "Clean Air Shelter" for public use.
- The new EMD LEP Coordinators introduced themselves to IES, talked about their initiatives and goals, and discussed implementation of SB-5046.

- A briefing from the LEP Coordinators on current status has been added as a routine agenda item for IES meetings.
- Jim House from Washington State Independent Living Council (WASILC)/Coalition on Inclusive Emergency Planning (CIEP) briefed his thoughts regarding a recent Emergency Alert System test and outlined collaboration efforts with EMD on the American Sign Language Credentialing Program.
- The subcommittee then had a brief discussion regarding the purpose and scope of the subcommittee; including the path forward for 2019.
 - Several members noted purpose and scope should be guided by EMC.
 - Others indicated that the subgroup should inform the EMC and guide their (and other subcommittees) efforts.
 - Additionally, members noted the importance to work with legislature on goals, needs, and "wins" around IES topic areas.

Looking Forward

- IES is scheduled to meet on November 8th and will be hosted by the American Red Cross in Seattle.
 - o During this meeting, several new routine agenda items will be introduced, including:
 - An agency highlight where a member organization can briefly describe their role in a disaster, how they can assist with inclusion/access issues, and what needs they may have.
 - Routine reports regarding:
 - EMC and other Subcommittee status.
 - Updates from EMD's LEP Coordinators on their initiatives.
 - Brief on current efforts from CIEP.
- In addition to these items, the subcommittee will be discussing and confirming the focus areas for 2019 and the succession plan for the subcommittee.

Old Business	Ron Averill

Vacancies at-large positions we have two member at-large positions available since DSHS stepped down. We have had comments about adding the Department of Transportation and American Public Works Association

Ron Recommended that they have someone like the Red Cross at the table since they provide continuous public service.

Alysha Kaplan gave an explanation on why WSDOT and APWA should be considered as members at-large.

Guest recommended to get a tribal representative on the EMC.

Director of Emergency Services Cowlitz Tribe stated that the tribes are working on a resolution to have a representative on the council that will represent all tribes and can communicate that information. If they had a seat here, then the representative could communicate information to the local tribes and then report back to the council. They firmly believe that they should have a voice on the council. One thing you want to consider about the tribe is that through the Stafford Act they have the ability to get a presidential declaration.

Dept. Of Health moved to add DOT to the council, it was seconded and passed

Sandy Duffy moved to include APWA as the second position, it was seconded and passed

2018 Report to the Governor- Ron asks that each subcommittee submit their reports soon, before his position is up in February.

2018-charter review-changes to the SAC group

Alysha- we will re-word section F regarding attendance, so it will be clearer to the council.

Dept. Of health made a motion that with the corrections as noted and with the changes that they accept the charter, it was seconded and passed.

2019 Membership elections-Ron will step down in February and is looking for a new chair. If you are interested, please contact Alysha with EMD and get a bio to her so we can get it out before the next meeting.

Open Public Meetings Training- You must attend the next meeting and watch the video. It is an annual requirement.

EMC/SAC - 11/1/18

- The EMC/SAC utilizes its subcommittees to complete the required SAC requirements delineated in the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Notice of Funding Opportunity.
- The EMC subcommittees are: EMC Executive Committee; Emergency Management Advisory Group; State Emergency Response Commission; Seismic Safety; Washington Mutual Aid System; Infrastructure Resilience Subcommittee; and Inclusion and Equity Subcommittee.
- These subcommittees, along with the EMC voting members, accomplish five of the six SAC requirements:
 - -Integrating preparedness activities across disciplines, the private sector, non-profit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, and all levels of government, including local, state, tribal, and territorial, with the goal of maximizing coordination and reducing duplication of effort (EMC completes).
 - -Creating a cohesive planning network that builds and implements preparedness initiatives using DHS/FEMA resources, as well as other SLTT resources (All subcommittees contribute to completing this requirement).
 - -Management of all available preparedness funding sources to ensure their effective use and to minimize duplication of effort (SAC membership will review preparedness funding activities and encourage collaboration across the recipient sectors. SAC will request preparedness grant recipients to present investments/projects at the November meeting to gain an understanding of the unique initiatives across WA).
 - -Ensuring applications for SHSP and UASI funds align with the capability gaps identified in the THIRA/SPR process (State Administrative Agent responsibility).
 - -Assist in preparation and revision of the State, regional, or local homeland security plan or the threat and hazard identification and risk assessment, as the case may be (All 7 subcommittees provide various information relating to hazard identification, risk assessments, and corrective actions).
 - -Assist in determining effective funding priorities for SHSP. (Information shared from the 7 subcommittees across the state assists SHSP recipients [State Agencies, HLS Regions, Counties] with allocating funding to fill gaps and priorities).

Presentations

[Presentations were sent via email to EMC/SAC members.]

SPR/ THIRA

 \circ $\:$ Jennifer Schaal gave a presentation on the 2018 SPR/ THIRA New Methodology

FY18 Preparedness Grants

- The federal fiscal year 18 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG), Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP), Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSP), Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), and the Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) executive summaries, including funding allocations, are attached for awareness purposes.
- The SAC recommended consolidating local stories that explain the public value gained from preparedness grants to assist with demonstrating the State's return on investment (ROI). SAC members agreed that hard data and projected outcomes cannot demonstrate the entire ROI, and that local/personal stories must compliment the numbers.

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Ron Averill

Barb Graff-

We are working hard to get Regional Catastrophic Planning money and it is still alive. It allows us to continue to plan. Second topic-requirements for reinforced buildings with retrofitting, we have a new partnership and we are excited about it. It will allow buildings to be more energy efficient.

Guest-

Spoke about the early warning system up north, looking at the lack of monitoring for mount hood and glacier peak. Glacier peak has a single monitor and we are looking to sponsor a system for a volcano warning system. If you are able to get involved and support this would be great.

Bill Whalen -

We have lots of wildland engines sitting in stations, but we have nobody qualified to operate them. That is one thing we are lacking in the state. We finished with 24 mobilizations and \$1.2 million dollars in damage.

Ron-

Next meeting in February

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 AM

2019 Meeting Schedule - Location

February 7, 2019 – Building 91; Camp Murray June 6, 2019 – Building 91; Camp Murray September 5, 2019 – Building 91; Camp Murray November 7, 2019 – Building 91; Camp Murray (SAC Requirement)

[Sign in Sheet Follows]

Ron Averill

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