

# SECC Meeting

## September 10, 2019

Attendees:

### In Person....

Clay Freinwald – Chair  
Ted Buehner – Vice-Chair  
Chris Utzinger – WA MIL- EMD  
Monte Simpson – WA Amateur Radio/ WA EMD  
Sandi Duffey – Grant Co Emergency Management  
Joshua Atkins – Pierce County DEM  
Roland Robinson – Bates Technical College  
Ruth Brownstein- KAOS Olympia

### On Phone.....

Jim Dalke – SECC Technical Committee  
Phil Johnson – Central Puget Sound LECC  
Maurice Benjamin – Okanogan County LECC  
John Price- Mason/Thurston County LECC  
Charlie Osgood – Alpha Media/Chelan/Douglas Counties  
Simone Ramal-McKay – Greater Spokane EM

Introductions were made and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Sage Updates- mandatory update coming by 11/07/2019 (polling mechanism to poll IPAWS)  
This is a mandatory firmware update- if you do not update in violation of FCC rules if you are an FCC sanctioned station.

New Rules involving Live Code Testing= Real Event Codes (be careful!)  
Further discussion with WARN- PBS TV system for distributing INFO (WEA)- nice flow chart at PBS here's the link... <https://www.pbs.org/about/contact-information/warn/>

Facebook and Local Alerts- using Social Media for Information dissemination- Grant County Sheriff is already using- more discussion coming in future w/ Sandi—how to do it/best practices.  
CPEM- Comprehensive Public Emergency Messaging--Need 'framework' for utilization in the plan.

Continued 'misuse' of EAS Tones and Big Fines- FCC has already tossed out \$600,000 in fines.  
Discussion of the CBS' tones used in "Young Sheldon" show- \$272,000 fine.

NPT- National EAS remailer 'buzzing' with comments- RE; 'daisy chain'—folks want to get rid of it (Washington doesn't use)—Lowell says things from all accounts 'went well' with National test in WA state.  
Reminder- ALL participants are obligated to report to FCC via ETRS. Next NPT? August 2020- most likely a yearly test- remember you do not need to do an RMT the same month NPT runs. Roland will make note of this on RMT 2020 schedule.

Roland Robinson RMT – review of 2020 schedule of RMT's for the SECC. Approved per group.

The State EAS Plan Revision Committee has had some of its members drop out. They need replacements. Please consider helping with this task. The next Plan Revision Committee Meeting (all can participate!) will be September 23<sup>rd</sup> –review meeting is at 6:30 PM (telephone only meeting) - you can

call # at top of REMAILER if you want to participate! Want to be part of revision committee? Call in and talk to Clay and others 9/23/19

Updating TABS & Survey of EM Managers- Clay will be sending out email (re: TAB B- guide to WA state EAS)—TAB 2- Simone is working on this currently—Functioning LRN's, Functioning LECC's—links to local area plans- please send URL so all docs can be linked in one spot.

IPAWS Update 2.0 (with Chris U)- happened 8/28/19- several issues with version 3.10

- 1) difference in development and testing
- 2) updating underlying Oracle platform
- 3) complexity accommodating WEA 1.0 and 2.0
- 4) other issues--- separate validation paths

New certificate format necessitates certificate renewals –software vendor installs your COG.

Not much for ALERT originators to do except be AWARE and make sure (Vendors) are ready to install.—EMD will put together email (on remailer) on how to do updates!

Starting 10/01- all jurisdictions w/IPAWS COG will be 'asked' to launch message- at least one successful message per month to the IPAWS LAB CLOUD. This will be MANDATORY!

--will be tracking—if you miss 2 months EMD will send 'reminder'- with 3<sup>rd</sup> month missed may temporarily 'suspend' COG. MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW.

Monitoring Assignments- how it now works- directed to TAB 5/6- Report your sources via ETRS.

WAPAWS –LOGO agreed upon- -former green EAS logo revised- Jim Dalke to get artwork to LECC's and they can 'insert' into their own plan. Keith Shipman ran it by the WSAB legal department. All is fine. Suggestion made that 'dash' go between WA-PAWS (visually makes it easier and better legally)- for local plans can use dash then too "LEWIS- PAWS" (for example)

Revised name for remailer? Not at this time—perhaps in the future??

2 new Items (in last few weeks)—Gary Tim (Wisconsin SECC)- re: Federal Register—discussion about 1)Live Code Tests and 2) ARS- Online plan submission (by states) is not yet in effect. WA will continue to work on our plans- ultimately will be 'housed' by the FCC.

Federal REGISTER Page Link -

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-07-23/pdf/2019-15062.pdf>

LECC REPORTS- + Standing Committee Report-(attached)

Charlie, Simone, Phil, Maurice, John P. (see notes on separate page)

Ham Radio Report- (attached) Monty – status 'quo'

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 12 at 9:30 AM at Clover Park. Directions and agenda will be on the remailer.