

SECC Meeting

May 12, 2020

This was a virtual meeting using a phone bridge. It started with the roll call at 9:30. The actual meeting started at 9:37 and ended at 10:17.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved. Clay made the call for additional agenda items and there were none.

Clay Freinwald is on a CSRIC committee that will advise the FCC on how the National Weather Service handles EAS alerting. CSRIC is the Communications Security, Reliability, And Interoperability Council. See <https://www.fcc.gov/about-fcc/advisory-committees/communications-security-reliability-and-interoperability-council-0>. Ted Buehner is Clay's alternate.

The State EAS Plan Change Committee has been working on the revised state plan for over a year. When they are done the SECC will become WAPAWS. The TAB 10 monitoring assignments has been one of their major projects. In the past, each station's monitoring assignment has been listed in TAB 10. In the future there will be a list of approved sources and the stations will choose what works for them.

The committee started by finding out what the Primary stations were monitoring. That was compared to what they needed to meet the requirements. The three public radio nets in the state were included. It is now up to the individual stations to figure out what they can monitor. A motion was made to approve it, and it was approved.

At some point the FCC will be rolling out their Automatic Reporting System (ARS). This is where the state plan will reside at the FCC, or at least the parts of interest to the FCC. The feds have taken input from some of the SECC's around the country.

As part of the state plan revision, the TAB numbering system will change. The new TAB index has been distributed on the remailer. There is much more work to do and your help is needed. The higher priority items are asterisked. Some are revisions and some will have to be built from scratch. Let Ted Buehner know if you are able to help. The next meeting will be on May 18 at 6:30 PM. They use the same conference bridge as the main SECC meeting.

From the WSAB, FEMA is supposed to be distributing some face masks to broadcasting stations in the state. When they arrive, Keith Shipman will query the stations and ship them out promptly. There is no information as to when they might arrive at this time.

Ted is still trying to get a training program going. He hasn't had much luck with FEMA, and probably won't until the current crisis is over.

42 It is day 108 since Washington Emergency management Department was activated for the pandemic.
43 Restrictions are slowly relaxing.

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45 Keith Shipman reports that the Governor and his staff were accommodating while WSAB worked with
46 them to implement First Informer Broadcaster status when the emergency declaration
47 occurred. Further, the Governor and staff were most cooperative in designating radio and television
48 broadcasters as essential businesses. We had a flurry of activity from engineers around the state (all
49 markets) who had not registered through the Washington State Business Reentry portal to be
50 designated First Informer Broadcasters when the Governor declared the emergency for COVID-19. They
51 were directed to the engineering tab at www.wsab.org to learn about the program and register.

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53 The next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 14 at 9:30 AM at either Clover Park, if possible. Otherwise, it
54 will be another virtual meeting on the phone bridge. Directions and agenda will be on the remailer.

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82 **SECC MEETING ROLL CALL** —Date 5/12/20

POSITION	NAME	PRESENT
Chair	Clay Freinwald	X 83
Vice Chair	Ted Buehner	X
WEMD Chair	Chis Utzinger	X
WEMD A&W	Tony Clark	
WEMD Multilingual	Lewis Lujan	
NWS	Reid Wolcott	
WEA -	Bill Peters	
Amber Coordinator	Carri Gordon	
Eastern WA Leaders	Sandi Duffy	X
	Charlie Osgood	X
Data Base Mgr	Simone Ramel-McKay	
FEMA Reg 10	Laura Goodreau	
Technical Committee	Lowell Kiesow	X
Comm Systems Chair	Phil Johnson	X
Cable TV - Comcast	Cami Peacock	
Recording Secretary	Terry Spring	X
Amateur Radio	Monte Simpson	X

84 **LECC Chairs**

OPERATIONAL AREA	NAME	PRESENT
Central Puget	Phil Johnson	X
Clallam	Anne Chastain	
Coastal	Pat Anderson	
Columbia Basin	Sean Davis	
Cowlitz/Wahkiakum	John Mackey Beau Renfro	
Inland N.W.	Simone Ramel-McKay	
Kittitas	Brad Tacher Bob Johnson	
Lewis	Larry Minor Scott Mattoon Andy Caldwell	X
Mason/Thurston	John Price	X
North Central	Charlie Osgood	X
	Sandi Duffy	X
No. Puget Sound	- Open -	
Okanogan	Maurice Goodall John Andrist	
Yakima	Jason Clapp	

85 **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

NAME	AFFILIATION
Doug Blangsted	Kitsap Co. DEM
Jerry Olson	KBPX Spokane
Arthur Willetts	KWDK
Jarrod Dibble	Snohomish Co. EM
Jim House	Coalition On Inclusive Emergency Planning
Brady Aldrich	Northwest Public Broadcasting
Jesse Spurgeon	Cherry Creek Wenatchee
Keith Shipman	WSAB
Roland Robinson	Bates Technical College

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