

Intrastate Mutual Aid Committee

Submitted by Mark Douglas, Washington Emergency Management Division

Committee Members:

Chair: Robert Ezelle, Washington Emergency Management Division
Bill Gillespie, Washington State Search and Rescue Volunteer Advisory Council
Quyên Thai, City of Tacoma
Kirk Holmes, Perteet Engineering
John Unfred, City of Lakewood

Summary of Recent Meeting

The last meeting was June 12, 2023, and previously reported.

Discussion Topics:

N/A

Decisions/Recommendations:

N/A

Next Steps:

N/A

Next Meeting Date: Not currently scheduled.

Topics or Issues for the EMC: None

Seismic Safety Subcommittee

Submitted by Casey Hanell, Washington Geological Survey, Department of Natural Resources

Committee Members:

Casey Hanell, WGS
Jessica Czajkowski, WGS
Corina Allen, WGS
Megan Anderson, WGS
Tricia Sears, WGS
Robert Ezelle, EMD
Maximilian Dixon, EMD
Mark Pierepiekarz, EMD
Brian Terbush, EMD
Tim Cook, EMD
Harold Tobin, PNSN
Bill Steele, PNSN/UW
Pascal Schuback, CREW
Allyson Brooks, DAHP
Tristan Allen, EMD
John Himmel, WSDOT
Marc Fish, WSDOT
Daniel Sumerfield, SEAW
Scott Neuman, SEAW
Don Nguyen, ASCE
Ray Cockerham, WABO
Heather Skeehan, AIA
Stoyan Bumbalov, SBCC
Erika Lund, Seattle OEM
Kai Ki Mow, Seattle Engineering
Gene Strong, EMC
Cherrie May, EMC
Brian Sherrod, USGS
Erin Wirth, USGS
Wendy Shaw, FEMA
Amy Teshera, OIC
Matt Stoutenburg, OIC
Scott Black, OSPI
Randy Newman, OSPI
Marc Eberhard, UW Engineering
Jeff Berman, UW Engineering
Kyle Steuck, EERI WA Chapter
Maggie Ortiz Milan, EERI

Summary of Recent Meeting(s)

Date: Tuesday, September 5, 2023

Discussion Topics:

- Great roundtable updates from all participants.
- Reviewed the updated charter and noted some places where it needed to be edited.
- Two work groups were established and will meet independently to develop a plan to solicit participants, develop a charter, and start getting to work:
 - **URM focused work group: EMD lead**— work with state AND local governments, and non-government organizations, Maximilian volunteered to have EMD lead the group.
 - **School seismic safety work group: PNSN volunteered to lead**— Bill is interested in being the lead for the school seismic safety in coordination with OSPI—Shake Alert implementation and policy could be a focus of this effort.
 - **In the future we may broaden the scope of the workgroups or add more.** For now, the focus is on a few tangible tasks that there is interest and support to complete.

Next Meeting Date: January 2024, specific date TBD

Topics or Issues for the EMC: None

Cybersecurity Advisory Committee

Submitted by Tristan Allen, Washington Emergency Management Division

Committee Members:

Chair: Tristan Allen, WA Emergency Management Division
Paul Adams, Port of Tacoma
Samuel Anderson, WA Secretary of State
Allen Avery, WA State Fusion Center
Rick Bailey, City of Everett
Jennifer Clarke, Costco
Barbara Edicott – Popovsky, University of Washington
Samuel Hall, Verizon
Mike Hamilton, PISCES International
Mike Henson, NoaNet
Ralph Johnson, WA Technology Agency
Ken Joubert, WA State Dept. of Transportation
Eli King, WA Dept. of Commerce, State Energy Office
Erin Laska, WA State Auditor's Office
Scott Lemmer, Verizon
Lachlan Lysne, Asotin County
Ian Moore, Department of Homeland Security, Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency
Kim Moore, WA Dept. of Health, Office of Drinking Water
Robert Pratt, WA Dept. of Financial Institutions
Nathaniel Ray, WA Air National Guard, Cyber Plans and Operations
Jesse Regalado, WA Dept. of Transportation
Alex Salazar, Department of Homeland Security, Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency
Mark Sangster, Adlumin (supporting WA Financial Institutions)
Lea Snyder, Microsoft
Michael Tiddy, Burlington Northern Santa Fe

Summary of Recent Meeting

Date: October 26, 2023

Discussion Topics:

- Introduction of committee and members.
- Review of draft charter.
- Facilitated discussion – committee focus and scope.
 - Characterizing cybersecurity risk for critical infrastructure
 - Support for cybersecurity planning, training, exercises.
 - Federal and state cybersecurity laws impact critical infrastructure.
 - Meeting administration (information security, frequency, in-person vs. virtual, additional organizations needing to be represented).

Decisions/Recommendations:

The following recommendations were drafted by the committee for inclusion in the annual State of Cybersecurity Report to the legislature. This report is drafted by WaTech, and this advisory committee is required by law to contribute to it.

- Recommendation 1: Define a methodology for characterizing cybersecurity risk and vulnerability to guide committee recommendations and inform a statewide critical infrastructure cybersecurity strategy.
- Recommendation 2: Explore an approach that identifies state agencies as sector-specific leads to facilitate cybersecurity advice and recommendations for each of the 16 critical infrastructure sectors.
- Recommendation 3: Document all federal and state laws that pertain to cybersecurity for critical infrastructure owners/operators and cross-examine them for consistency and policy gaps.
- Recommendation 4: Prioritize cybersecurity technical assistance and resources to critical infrastructure with the greatest risk and least capacity to manage risk.

Next Steps:

- Schedule six committee meetings for 2024. Meetings will be held every other month starting in January.
- Review final State of Cybersecurity report and see it published to the legislature.

Next Meeting Date: January 25, 2024

Topics or Issues for the EMC:

- Advise on local government representation to the committee. Since the committee's first meeting, the city of Everett has joined, however the committee would benefit from a smaller local government as well.

State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)

Submitted by Susan Forsythe (EMD) on behalf of Chief Patrick Reid, SERC Chair

Committee Members:

Chair: Chief Patrick Reid

Vice Chair: Chief Mike Harris

Erin Coyle, Department of Agriculture Representative

Laura Haye, Department of Ecology Representative

Eli Levitt, Department of Ecology Alternate

Sue Smith, Department of Health Representative

Brad Burnham, Department of Health Alternate

John Geppert, Department of Labor and Industries Representative

Darren James, Department of Labor and Industries Alternate

John Himmel, Department of Transportation Representative

Catherine (CJ) Pearce, Department of Transportation Alternate

Cindy Dickinson Local Emergency, Manager Representative

JoAnn Boggs, Local Emergency Manager Alternate

Sean Davis, LEPC Eastside Representative

Sandy Duffy, LEPC Eastside Alternate

J. Havner, LEPC Westside Representative

Cherie Nevin, LEPC Westside Alternate

Casey Broom, Military Department Representative

Kevin Wickersham, Military Department Alternate

Gary White, Private Industry Representative

Sheri Call, Transportation Industry Representative

Melissa Gannie, Washington State Patrol Representative

Bill Slosson, Washington State Patrol Alternate

Summary of Recent Meeting

Date: November 1, 2023

Discussion Topics:

- Training updates provided by Susan Forsythe, EMD and Scott Lancaster, WSP covered future SERC sponsored workshops (Energy and Lithium-Ion Battery Symposium 2/22/24-2/24/24, Eastside HazMat Workshop 5/3/24-5/5/24), DOT rail trainings offered in 5 counties, trainings on EMD website for LEPCs, and NWAC brief out.
- EPCRA update provided by Diane Fowler, ECY outlined recent projects with SEOC, introduced new assistant Michaela Morris, and advised new methods of tracking Tier Two's on Tribal lands.
- SERC budget voted to use allocated money for virtual classes that will be offered to all LEPCs.
- HMEP updated by Sierra Wardell, EMD reminded that Christopher Burd is the POC for grant, discussed beginning of year two of grant, and will work with PHMSA on reallocated funds.
- LEPC planning update by Susan Forsythe, EMD discussed LEPC 101 and 102 trainings, the potential combination of two groups of LEPCs, and noted submitted plans.

- Tribes and Nations update provided by Susan Forsythe, EMD on behalf of Erik Riske, EMD gave information on Tribal Forum in late November 2023.
- HazMat Capabilities Assessment was discussed by Chief Patrick Reid, Chair on redoing the CBRN assessment and venturing into HazMat specific looks into regional teams. Looking to address gaps in HazMat capabilities throughout the state and the effectiveness of regional teams.
- Presentation provided by Paradigm to outline free trainings they have to offer through PHMSA regulations.
- Chief Patrick Reid was re-elected to his second term as Chair of the SERC.
- LEPC Records Retention Workgroup update provided by Danielle Plenge, EMD, group is going to present the short schedule created specifically to address Tier Two reports for LEPCs at February 2024 meeting.

Decisions/Recommendations/Next Steps:

- Chief Patrick Reid re-elected to second term as SERC Chair.
- About \$5,000 of SERC budget was allocated to virtual trainings with any remainder given to workshops.
- Vice Chair election needs to be held at the February 2024 meeting.
- Discussion needed about the addition of Tribe/Nation SERC Member to WAC required members.
- Discussion is needed once the LEPCs that are looking to combine resolve all questions on a local level and petition the SERC to combine.

Next Meeting Date: February 2, 2024 (virtual)

Topics or Issues for the EMC: None