



# OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

## OEM: Weekly Watch Report

January 2-7, 2018

[Message from the Director](#) – Director Phelps gives a brief overview of 2017 and looks forward to working with emergency management partners in 2018.

**Weather** – You can view the current watches and warnings [here](#).

- [NWS Portland](#)
- [NWS Pendleton](#)
- [NWS Medford](#)
- [NWS Boise](#)

### Events –

- Disaster Behavioral Health Conference “Partnerships are Key” – Community College’s Threat Management Resources is partnering with many others to bring information from local and national experts on how to lead and move forward after disasters.
  - February 7-8, 2018
  - Salem Convention Center, 200 Commercial St., SE, Salem
  - 16 Continuing Education Hours will be awarded
  - Registration \$495; Student Registration \$200. [Sign up here](#).
- [Registration](#) for Oregon Prepared 2018 is now open! The workshop will be held the week of April 2, 2018, at Sunriver Resort. This year’s theme is “Bridging the Gap from Response to Recovery.” The workshop provides networking opportunities, training information and best practices for all phases of emergency management. Registration is limited to 500 attendees. The workshop is sponsored by Oregon Office of Emergency Management and the Oregon Health Authority.
  - There is no fee to attend; GSA rates are available to workshop attendees at Sunriver Resort for all reservations made prior to February 16.
  - To make your lodging reservations, contact Sunriver Resort directly at 855-420-8206, and mention you are attending the Oregon Emergency Preparedness Workshop.

### In the News –

- [Few problems with eclipse, but event justifies the hype](#)
- [Volunteer, deputy recognized by state boards](#)
- [Events that shaped the Mid-Valley in 2017](#)
- [Quake offers a useful reminder](#)
- [Officials Conduct Water Analysis After Fuel Spill into North Santiam River](#)

## 2 Weeks Ready –

Have you seen OEM's a series of lively one-minute videos with simple tips on how to be 2 Weeks Ready? View them at <http://bit.ly/2wxyE9C> and feel free to share with friends, family, co-workers and others.

## Grants –

DHS/FEMA released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the FY17 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) on June 2, 2017. The State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) saw minor drops in funding. Oregon's SHSP award is \$3,822,100 with 80 percent (\$3,057,680) available for local projects. Oregon's UASI award is \$2,837,000.

- The federal application has been submitted and official notification letters have been sent.
- Successful applicants can expect to receive a grant agreement no later than October 15, 2017.

## Training –

Several upcoming classes provide excellent opportunities to become current on emergency management training.

- January 16-17, 2018: ICS-400 (Astoria) – Register by emailing [vaarts@co.clatsop.or.us](mailto:vaarts@co.clatsop.or.us)
- January 23, 2018: MGT-405 Mobilizing Faith-Based Community Organizations in Preparing for Disaster (Wilsonville) – Register at <https://www.ruraltraining.org/training/schedule/2018-01-23-MGT405-WILSONVILLE-OR-001/>; registration closes January 9.
- January 30-31, 2018: Maturing Public-Private Partnerships (Wilsonville) – Register at [P3 On-Line Registration / Oregon](#); registration closes January 5. *Note: This course needs attendees as it is in jeopardy of having to be cancelled. Please register as soon as possible.*
- Deschutes County Training Opportunities; contact [Karen.layng@state.or.us](mailto:Karen.layng@state.or.us) for password info.
  - January 22-25, 2018: L0962 All-Hazards Planning Section Chief – <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/l962-all-hazards-planning-section-chief-tickets-39334723216>
  - February 19-22, 2018: L0958 All-Hazards Operations Section Chief – <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/l958-all-hazards-operations-section-chief-tickets-39335601844>
  - March 19-22, 2018: L0950 All-Hazards Incident Commander – R <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/l950-all-hazards-incident-commander-tickets-39336261818>

If you have questions regarding training or need to send in your FEMA 119 forms for a specific course, contact State Training Officer Karen Layng at [karen.layng@state.or.us](mailto:karen.layng@state.or.us).

- Applications for training events at EMI must be submitted at least six weeks prior to the class.
- Check the [training calendar](#) for the most up-to-date list of training.
- Clackamas Community College offers an emergency management degree program and has a unique partnership with FEMA and several states around the country, which allows students to complete their degree primarily online and at their own pace. [www.clackamas.edu/academics/departments-programs/emergency-management](http://www.clackamas.edu/academics/departments-programs/emergency-management)

## Exercises –

- On January 25, 2018, OEM will participate in the RDPO Operation Fueling Anxiety TTX.
- ODOE and OEM will participate in Energy Northwest's Columbia Generating Station full-scale exercise on March 27, 2018.

## Planning –

- FEMA, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and their federal partners in the Mitigation Federal Leadership Group (MitFLG) Disaster Resilience Indicators Subcommittee released a "[Draft Interagency Concept for Community Resilience Indicators and National-Level Progress Measures](#)."
- The Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration updated the [Guidance and Standards](#) used for flood mapping and risk analysis efforts. There were five standards with significant updates, three new standards, six standards with minor terminology updates and five rescinded standards in this maintenance cycle.

### 9-1-1 Program –

To see a map of the current Text to 9-1-1 availability, visit: [www.nwtext911.info/](http://www.nwtext911.info/). A public education campaign encourages the public to "Call when you can, text if you can't."

### Mitigation and Recovery —

- Project awards for DR 4258 and FMAGs are **still** in progress. ***The projects that remain are those with a potential for environmental impact and require an environmental assessment before they can be awarded.***
- State review of DR 4296 ***has begun and is anticipated to be completed by mid-January 2018.***
- DR 4328 application development has begun, and is not open statewide.
- FEMA Region 10 has begun their review of the submitted FMA and PDM 17 application packages that were submitted last month. Once the Region has completed their review, the applications will be forwarded to the National Review Team. Awards could be as early as Summer 2018, or as late as December 2018.

### RAPTOR and OpsCenter –

OEM will be conducting OpsCenter and RAPTOR training at this year's Oregon Emergency Preparedness Workshop in April. These sessions will go over standard items found within both applications and allow users to ask any questions they have about either of these applications.

### Search and Rescue –

Oregon will host the two-day Basic Inland SAR Course (BISC) in August 2018; location and exact class dates TBD. This course is based and taught by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC), Tyndall Air Force Base. More information will be forwarded as it is received. The course link is provided below for you situational awareness. <http://www.forcecom.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/FORCECOM-UNITS/TraCen-Yorktown/Training/Maritime-Search-Rescue/Inland-SAR/BISC-Course/>

For more information on SAR Training classes or general SAR information statewide please contact Scott Lucas, state SAR coordinator: 971-283-6135 or [scott.lucas@mil.state.or.us](mailto:scott.lucas@mil.state.or.us).

### Now Hiring –

- Columbia 9-1-1 Communications District is hiring [9-1-1 Dispatchers \(Communications Specialists\)](#).
- The Association of Oregon Counties is hiring a temporary [Local Public Safety Coordinating Council \(LPSCC\) Coordinator](#).
- The American Red Cross Cascades Region is hiring a [Communications Manager](#).

**Preparedness Tip –**

With the winter season in full swing, please drive safely. Keep a greater distance between you and the vehicle in front of you during rainy or snowy weather. Do not use cruise control during hazardous weather conditions, even if the road seems empty.

**Disaster of the Week –**

**January 7, 2003:** [17 people were killed](#) when a bus suffered a mechanical failure and careened down a deep ravine in Zacatecas, Mexico. The bus, which was carrying approximately 40 people at the time of the accident, plunged approximately 750 feet into the ravine and many of those who survived suffered serious injury and had to be air-lifted to hospitals in larger cities.

**Lessons learned:** Often when we travel by mass transportation, it is assumed the carrier provides adequate maintenance to ensure the vehicle provided for passenger transport will safely reach its destination. The US Dept. of Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration provides a website that can help you [do a little research](#) before you travel regarding the licensing and safety record of motor coach and charter bus services. Checking a bus company's safety record before making travel plans can provide a little piece of mind, and if you observe a bus or motor coach operating unsafely or believe it is not being safely maintained, call 1-888-DOT-SAFT (1-888-368-7238) or visit [FMCSA's consumer complaint site](#) to file a complaint. Of course, if you believe a bus is being operated in a manner that could cause an immediate emergency, call 911 or other local emergency number.

**ECC –**

The State ECC is currently in Steady State (Normal operations). All requests for assistance should be made by contacting OERS at 1-800-452-0311.