



County of Santa Cruz

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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Meeting: September 13, 2018
Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Location: EOC
5200 Soquel Ave.,
Building C 2nd floor
Santa Cruz, Ca 95062

NOTES

- 1.0 Call to Order/Introductions: 2:06 pm
Rosemary Anderson, County Emergency Services Manager, facilitating
(chair position vacant)
- 2.0 Roll Call (*Emergency Management Council Appointed Members*)
 - 2.1 Attendees: 28 (10 voting members)
 - 2.2 Absent: 7
 - 2.2.1 Ian Larkin
 - 2.2.2 Dawne Harmon
 - 2.2.3 John Wilson
 - 2.2.4 Martin Heaney
 - 2.2.5 Patsy Gasca
 - 2.2.6 Matko Vranjes
 - 2.2.7 Tamara Vides
 - 2.3 Absent with Notice: 4
 - 2.3.1 Scott Cullen
 - 2.3.2 Robert Ritchey
 - 2.3.3 Brenda Brenner
 - 2.3.4 Lisa Ehret
- 3.0 Additions and Deletions to the Agenda
 - 3.1 There are currently four (4) vacancies in the process of being filled
 - 3.1.1 Dominican Hospital – Patrick Gibney no longer in the position
 - 3.1.2 County office of Education – Jim Howes retired
 - 3.1.3 Medical Society – Appointment request for Donna Odryna submitted to BOS
 - 3.1.4 Chair (EAS) of Local Emergency Communications Committee of Monterey Bay
 - 3.2 Chair position vacant – have not had required quorum to appoint
- 4.0 Approval of Minutes: Draft Meeting Notes were sent via email 7.23.2018
 - 4.1 No additions or corrections

- 5.0 Correspondence (*All*)
 - 5.1 Appointment of Lisa Ehret to EMC as UCSC representative
 - 5.2 Appointment of Robert Ritchey as Member-at-Large (replacing Brian Sherin)
- 6.0 Oral Communications: *Regarding items not on the Agenda*
 - 6.1 None
- 7.0 Presentation:
 - 7.1 CAL STAR Air Medical Services – Presenter, John Bettencourt
 - 7.1.1 Presentation attached
- 8.0 New Business:
 - 8.1 Nominations/Election for new EMC Chair
No quorum—moved to next meeting on 11.01.18.
 - 8.2 Nominee Robert Ritchey, ARES Santa Cruz County District Emergency Coordinator
- 9.0 Informational Reports
 - 9.1 County Office of Emergency Services/Update
 - 9.1.1 Participated in Urban Shield Yellow Command Full Scale Exercise (FSE) 09.06.18
 - Great opportunity to exercise on this level with costs covered by UASI
 - Scenario: catastrophic earthquake
 - Exercising mass care and shelter, plus communications
 - Took place from 7 am-4 pm
 - More than 240 participants; productive, coordinated effort; good opportunity to build relationships
 - Many agencies represented in the EOC, including CERT, Human Services, Health Services, DPW, Animal Services, Sheriff's Office, FEMA, Dept. Of Social Services, NWS, Medical Reserve Corp (MRC), Equine Evac, ARES, Cabrillo, PIOs; ARC, John Wilson from Scotts Valley PD was an evaluator
 - Exercise planning carried out over the past year; table top last year identified needed improvements that were exercised
 - Main shift: counties/cities accustomed to Red Cross handling shelters; County staff exercised deploying to shelters, registering shelter seekers, treating injuries (moulage with actors from Cabrillo College)
 - Human Services: wanted to test Human Services capabilities
 - Worked with Red Cross to train in shelter management
 - Worked with Red Cross on shelter gap analysis
 - Current goal is to train 1,200 people in county
 - New Human Services Director Ellen Timberlake wants to do exercise annually
 - Many lessons learned, and gaps identified; plan to continue to work on identified needs
 - Watsonville Hospital conducted their own internal exercise focused on surge capacity; also received injects from the EOC
 - Watsonville Emergency Airlift Command Team (WEACT) flew 6 missions-(5 with county)
 - Focused on their communications

- WEACT does reconnaissance; can do search and transport people in and out of county if needed
- Planes can carry 1 – 2 people at a time
- Now a 501(c)3 so can get grants; covered under DSW
- CERT: great opportunity for CERT to collaborate; got good feedback
- ARES: 15 volunteer ham radio operators participated
 - Radios are slow, but if other comms are down it is available
 - Text mode—also slow, doesn't take large files
 - They passed a lot of messages: shelters, hospital, Emeline, airport, SC City EOC
- Practiced using new Iridium Sat phones
- Great participation with Cabrillo
 - Developed list of action items for Cabrillo to strengthen their ability and capacity for their facility and as a partner
 - Nursing students did a great job with moulage
- From Randy Fedak-Human Services Department
 - Learned a lot about volunteer outreach for actors for exercises
 - Would like to develop and maintain a list
 - Contact Randy 831.454.4128 to add/suggest
- AAR in process; results will be shared
- 9.1.2 Chief Steven Hall of Central fire conducted trainings G775: Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Management and Operations and G191: Incident Command System/ Emergency Operations Center Interface training 08.15-08.17, in advance of Yellow Command
- 9.1.3 Updating shelter database—UCSC Intern project, coordinating with Red Cross to update contact info, capacity, capabilities, and insure accommodations are AFN and ADA ready
- 9.2 City Reports
 - 9.2.1 Capitola_____ *Captain Tom Held*
No report
 - 9.2.2 Santa Cruz_____ *Paul Horvat*
 - Just starting their EOC section training; when training is complete they will conduct an exercise
Re: requests to be included in training—if spots are available Paul will notify Rosemary Anderson
 - Sending 4 city PIOs to training in Sacramento
 - Closing out CalOES/FEMA projects from 2016
 - Received grant for 100-foot fuel break along trail in DeLaveaga Park adjacent to homes, around Netcom, water tank; CCC crews will be doing the work
 - PIO Eileen Cross participated in Yellow Command in County EOC
 - 9.2.3 Scotts Valley_____ *Lt. John Wilson - absent*
 - 9.2.4 Watsonville_____ *Tamara Vides - absent*
- 9.3 Grant Updates
 - 9.3.1 2017 State Homeland Security Grant – received State approval on 10.28.2017. Received BOS approval to accept on 01.09.2018.
Projects completed: Sheriff's Office Replacement Airplane Engine; Scotts Valley PD 911 Tower; CERT training
Projects in progress: Medical Reserve Corp Coordination; EMS PIO Coordination; EMS Mobile Medical Shelter; Sheriff's Office/EOC generator

- enclosure; Fire Service Gurneys and ATV; Sheriff's Office Bomb Suits
- 9.3.2 2018 Bay Area UASI Grant – Two awards granted (notified 08.20.2018):
 - Purchase and Implementation of Everbridge as our Tri-County mass notification system \$65,400
 - Technology Update to Improve Interoperable Communications Inside and Outside of the EOC of the City of Santa Cruz \$35,425
- 9.3.3 2018 State Homeland Security Grant Advance Application submitted on 02.09.2018; waiting for approval.
- 9.3.4 2017 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) all projects completed 06.30.2018 and all relevant paperwork submitted for reimbursement and closeout as of 07.20.2018.
- 9.3.5 2018 EMPG grant—received notice of funding amount; Award Approval letters still pending; application due 10.31.18.
- 9.3.6 Mandatory workshop will be conducted by OES toward the end of October for sub-grantees to provide necessary information and resources and clarify roles and responsibilities

10.0 Citizen Corps Council

- 10.1 CERT.....*Todd Skrabak - Absent*
 - 10.1.1 Activation policy has been drafted with CERT council—goal is to adopt by the end of October
- 10.2 Medical Reserve Corp.....
 - 10.2.1 Nancy Yellin has resigned as coordinator; she was instrumental in moving their goals forward
 - 10.2.2 Kathleen Conley will now be coordinating the MRC
- 10.3 Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS).....*Cap Pennell*
 - 10.3.1 Local Amateur Radio (Ham) clubs in San Lorenzo Valley and Santa Cruz hosting “An Evening of Radio, Science, and the Hubble” at Cabrillo College October 25, 7pm-9pm featuring Ron Sheffield, Hubble Space Telescope Extravehicular Activity Manager
 - Presentations on Amateur Radio in space and UCSC students’ Cube Satellite project
 - **Free tickets and more info:** <https://www.slvarc.org/event/radio-science-and-space/>
 - 10.3.2 Boulder Creek Ham Club now has a repeater in Boulder Creek
- 10.4 Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES).....*Robert Ritchey - absent*
 - Has supported many events throughout the county and region, including County Fair currently in process
- 10.5 Equine Evacuation.....*Cally Haber*
 - 10.5.1 Recently conducted extensive outreach due to upcoming badge expirations--resulted in new members; 20 sworn in as DSW
 - 10.5.2 Working to develop training, getting input from CalFire
 - 10.5.3 Website houses a lot of info for horse owners <http://equineevac.org/>
- 10.6 Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD)..*Jim Uhey*
 - 10.6.1 Randy Fedak reported Salvation Army did a great job in food service for medical shelters during Yellow Command FSE
- 10.7 County Office of Education.....*Faris Sabbah - absent*
 - 10.7.1 Faris Sabbah is the new Superintendent of Schools
 - 10.7.2 Jim Howes has retired after providing tremendous contributions to the County OES during his tenure; awaiting new COE appointee.

11.0 Announcements (All)

- 11.1 From Joe Christy, Santa Cruz County Fire Safe Council Vice President
 - 11.1.1 Outdoor Burn Ban issued 09.11.18 for Santa Cruz and San Mateo Counties due to dry weather and vegetation conditions as well as fire crews heavily deployed to Northern California
 - 11.1.2 County Fire Safe Council has applied for a grant from State Firesafe Council for education and outreach
 - 11.1.3 Bonny Doon Fire Safe Council received a grant to return landscape to a more sustainable fire environment
- 11.2 Tom Wyner reported Cabrillo College renewing MOU with Red Cross to use their gym as a shelter
- 12.0 Items for future meetings
 - 12.1 Contact Rosemary Anderson regarding topics of interest
- 13.0 Meeting adjourned at 3:38 pm
- 14.0 Next Meeting: November 1, 2018 2-4 PM
Location: Emergency Operations Center
 - 14.1 National Weather Service will conduct a winter storm briefing
 - 14.2 PG&E will present on Wildfire Safety Plan as well as Weather station installments
 - 14.3 Voting members please attend so that vote can be taken on new Chair appointment

