

# TRINITY COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

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*"To collaboratively pursue the preservation of life, property and the environment in Trinity County. Establish the emergency management organization through Disaster Council partners in county, special districts, non-governmental organizations and others to develop assigned tasks, policies and procedures through a coordination of efforts to better serve and protect the interests of Trinity County."*

## **Trinity County Disaster Council May 9<sup>th</sup> 2023 Minutes In-Person Meeting (Virtual Option)**

1. Welcome and Introductions: Sign in  
Meeting called to order at 14:04
2. Minutes from the 3/14/23 Meeting  
M/ Mike Cottone, S/ Sarah Sheetz to approve as presented. Minutes approved.  
A/ Sheri White, Liz Hamilton
3. Presentation  
None
4. Incident Reviews – All  
None
5. Grant Updates – Mike Cottone
  - a. Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)
    - New Search and Rescue Side by Side, Two-way radios.
    - Lewiston VFD Two-way radios.
    - TCSO Personal Protective equipment.
  - b. Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
    - Courthouse Bollards- arriving this month. Installation to follow.
    - TCSO command trailer-continuing upgrades.
  - c. Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS)
    - Courthouse Generator-Completed
  - d. Other grants
    - TCSO Fire shelters
    - TCSO/SAR Drone

### Project Updates

- Hazard Mitigation Plan: In process

- Emergency Operations Plan: Soon to start
- Trinity County VOAD: Volunteers on-board, group coming together
- Table Top Exercise & ICS/EOC positions training - Late May/Early June

6. Health Officer Discussion – Dr. Herfindahl

7. Reports and Action Items:

~~a) Agricultural Commissioner: Joseph Moree~~

b) ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service): Robert Jackson

GMRS – 3 repeaters purchased. They are being tested.

Philip Simi (OES) is working on setting up online Ham radio training for those who are interested. Contact Philip at [psimi@trinitycounty.org](mailto:psimi@trinitycounty.org) if you would like to be included.

~~c) Behavioral Health: Connie Cessna Smith~~

d) Board of Supervisors: Jill Cox

Nothing to report.

~~e) California Tribal TANF Partnership: Tina Lynch~~

f) Cal OES: Rick Ehlert, Robert Goyeneche, Jasen Vela

Robert Goyeneche - Still working on winter storms. Trinity got federal declarations with Public Assistance for two storms. Kudos to Trinity PUD and DOT on their documentation, which really helps with the process.

CalOES is recruiting for Emergency Service Coordinators, looking at having ESC's cover two counties instead of four.

Robert will still be in Region III, but Trinity may have another ESC assigned.

g) CAO: Trent Tuthill

h) CHP (California Highway Patrol) Brandon Lale

Nothing to report.

~~i) District Attorney Office: Joni Wiley, Jessica Tillinghast~~

~~j) DOT: David Colbeck~~

~~k) Environmental Health: Kristy Anderson~~

~~l) Faith Based Organizations: Jesse Ragan~~

~~m) Cal Fire – Nick Ciapponi~~

n) HHS - Public Health: Arina Erwin, Sonni DeMello

Sonni DeMello – Regional Med/Health Plan Exercise on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Will cover Chemical Emergency/Surge, Radiation Emergency, Burn Surge, Pediatric Surge. If interested, contact Sonni DeMello at [sdemello@trinitycounty.org](mailto:sdemello@trinitycounty.org).

Decontamination Guidance for Chemical Incidents Exercise - Dates: June 26<sup>th</sup>, 8 AM - 12 PM or June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1 PM - 5 PM.

Hospital decontamination in July. Decontamination exercise would be useful for law enforcement. There are 2x 4-hour trainings (AM & PM).

Fabio – Question re training vs exercise, ingress/egress for schools. Arina – Exercises are more application. Decontamination exercise could be built to include schools. Defer to OES to discuss ingress/egress for schools.

Sonni – We could include students as victims for exercises.

o) HHS - Social Services: Liz Hamilton

Mike Cottone – Still need to work with Andrew Bogar at American Red Cross to schedule a date for a shelter walkthrough.

p) HRN: Sheri White

Participated with a group downriver – Trinity VOAD – Tabletop exercise. Spent three hours, but only made it through the first 24 hours of the event. They are planning another one. This was specific to Downriver.

q) OES: Mike Cottone

Nothing additional to report.

~~r) Planning and Building: Lisa Lozier, Ed Prestley~~

~~s) Probation: Ruby Fierro, Lance Floerke~~

t) Red Cross: Andrew Bogar

Lots of our folks are getting back from Hoopa Non-Congregate Sheltering (NCS). Conducting damage assessments, issuing financial assistance. Still some folks in NCS. We also had a preparedness event in Willow Creek.

We have Del Norte this month. Preparedness event. Orientation to sheltering, shelter supervisor education. Completed shelter trailer inspections. We had a large team meeting last month.

~~u) Region III RDMHS: Patti Carter, Jeff McManus, Jennifer Johnson~~

v) ~~Risk Management:~~

w) Schools: Fabio Robles

Monthly Safe Schools Collaborative – includes law enforcement, Behavioral Health. We talk about situations at schools, incidents. We invite participation from other partners. We are hiring a Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS) clinician to add to our team. Data shows there is more need for clinical support.

~~x) Sheriff: Tim Saxon, Brian Ward~~

~~y) Solid Waste: Diane Rader~~

~~z) Trinity County Food Bank: Jeffrey England~~

~~aa) Trinity County Life Support: Patricia Wyckoff~~

bb) Trinity County Public Utility District: Sarah Sheetz

We have been working on getting documentation from last three disasters uploaded to the Grants Portal.

~~cc) Trinity Hospital: Belen Manybanseng~~

dd) Trinity Resource Conservation District: Skylar Fisher

Revising Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP). Focused on risk assessment portion. Reviewing history of hazards. Should have a solid draft in the next few weeks.

Working with TCSO, OES, DOT on Evacuation Route Planning and Development to provide guidance, signage to help people who are evacuating.

May is Wildfire Awareness Month. May 6<sup>th</sup> was Wildfire Preparedness Day. Community Chipping program has been to Coffee Creek/Trinity Center, Hayfork, Weaverville.

~~ee) USFS: Brian Fabbri, Glen Tingley~~

ff) Veterans Services: Jennifer Dobbs

gg) No report.

hh) Public Health emergency preparedness: Arina Irwin, Sonni DeMello

Nothing additional to report

~~ii) Mountain Communities Hospital: Aaron Rodgers~~

~~jj) Others:~~

8. Upcoming Training/Exercises – All

- EOC Training/Exercise – Date(s) to be determined, probably end of May, early June. If interested, contact Philip Simi @ [psimi@trinitycounty.org](mailto:psimi@trinitycounty.org).
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- Decontamination Guidance for Chemical Incidents Exercise - Dates: June 26th, 8 AM - 12 PM or June 29th, 1 PM - 5 PM. To register call (530) 623-1358 ext 8010 or email [phep@trinitycounty.org](mailto:phep@trinitycounty.org), Subject Line: Decon Training.
- Hospital decontamination in July.

9. Other Business

10. Next Meeting: July 11th at 2:00pm

11. Schedule: Second Tuesday every other month

2023: January 10th, March 14th, May 9th, July 11th, September 12th, November 14th.

12. Adjourn at 14:30