



# OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

## OEM: Weekly Watch Report

November 23, 2015 – November 29, 2015

### [Director's Message](#) -

#### **Weather –**

Monday - Western Oregon: Highs 45 to 55 with increasing clouds and a chance of rain or drizzle developing near the coast. Snow is likely in the Cascades. Eastern Oregon: Highs in the mid 30's to 40's and lows in the mid 20's. Partly cloudy in the evening with rain and snow likely, possible freezing rain.

Tuesday - Western Oregon: Slight chance of thunderstorms along coast and inland south with highs in the 40s. Eastern Oregon: Highs in the mid 30's to mid 40's, cloudy with snow and rain and a slight chance of light freezing rain in the morning.

Wednesday - Western Oregon: Lows in the mid 20's to mid 30's, decreasing clouds throughout the day with a slight chance of snow showers in the southern interior. Eastern Oregon: Highs in the mid 20's to 30's in mountains, mostly cloudy with a chance of snow showers.

Thursday - Western Oregon: Lows in the 20's to mid 30's along the coast, highs around 40. Eastern Oregon: Highs in the mid 20's to 30's.

Friday - Western Oregon: Lows in the 20's to mid 30's along the coast, highs around 40. Eastern Oregon: Highs in the mid 20's to mid 30's with possible fog and freezing fog.

Saturday and Sunday - Western Oregon: mostly sunny and clear, low to mid 40's for majority of the region and low 50's along the southern coast. Eastern Oregon: mostly sunny and clear, highs around 30 for majority of region

You can view the weekly forecast here: <http://graphical.weather.gov/sectors/oregonWeek.php#tabs>.

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

#### **In the News –**

- [Efforts underway to prepare for disaster](#)
- [ODF: Coordination was key in battling 2015 wildfires](#)

#### **Critical Infrastructure/Private Sector –**

- November is [Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience Month](#), an opportunity to increase awareness on
  - The unique characteristics of our nation's critical infrastructure,
  - The challenges and threats faced by critical infrastructure sectors, and
  - How to build public-private sector partnerships, an essential tool to enhancing security and resilience.
- Private Sector: Strategic Economic Development Corporation (SEDCOR)
  - "Mobilize the Community: Mass Care and Shelter Services"
  - Dec. 9, Salem Convention Center 10:30a.m. - 2:30p.m.

## Training --

- Check the [training calendar](#) for the most up to date available trainings.
- Planning on going to EMI for training? Your application needs to be submitted no less than 6 weeks prior to the class. Submit your 119 form to: [james.adams@state.or.us](mailto:james.adams@state.or.us)

## Exercises –

- Cyberstorm V – Dept. of Homeland Security exercise series to strengthen cyber preparedness in the public and private sectors. A two-day tabletop exercise where representatives from a variety of state departments and agencies assess their cyber response plans. Tentatively scheduled for second week of March, 2016.

## Community Engagement –

- OEM is supporting two social media campaigns this week. Join the conversation on twitter [@OregonOEM](#) and on [Facebook](#):
  - #TalkTurkey Nov. 23-27
    - Talk preparedness with your family while you pass the gravy
  - #SafeTravels Nov. 22-28
    - Safe holiday travel campaign by FEMA Region 10

## 9-1-1 Program –

- The OEM Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG9-1-1) Project Management Team (PMT) and the Department of Administrative Services, Enterprise Technology Service (DAS ETS) continue to meet for the Frame Relay Replacement Project.
- The Frame Relay Replacement Project Timeline has been re-baselined to accommodate the increase in project scope.
- A rerelease of a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Network services and ANI / ALI services is anticipated. The PSAP Technical and Operations Subcommittees have been engaged and have provided input into the RFP.
- The Project Management Team has created a link on the [OEM web site](#) where project updates can be found.

## Grants –

- **SHSP:** FY2016 SHSP Grant Application Package was released on Oct. 30, 2015. The application period will close Jan. 22, 2016.
- **FMAG/HMGP Pilot:** On Sept. 28 FEMA announced a Pilot to provide HMGP assistance linked to FMAG fire suppression declarations. For Oregon, this means 6 HMGP programs for Oregon's 6 FMAG declarations in Baker, Douglas, Grant, Josephine and Wallowa counties. OEM mitigation and accounting staff continue to provide direct technical assistance to the eligible counties in support of project development, project feasibility, benefit-cost analysis and environmental considerations. OEM is also working to coordinate other state agency technical assistance in support of hazard mitigation activities in the affected counties.
- **Pre-Disaster Mitigation, 2015:** All of Oregon's submitted sub-applications (one project and two planning) were selected by FEMA during the National review process. FEMA will be working with OEM in collecting additional environmental and other related information before approving and obligating Federal funding.

## Planning --

- OEM is supporting the special event planning effort for the World Indoor Track and Field Championships scheduled for March 2016 in Portland.

## Preparedness Tip –

- Before traveling make sure you are safe to do so:
  - Take care to keep your vehicle in working order. Check the tread on your tires and make sure the engine is not leaking fluids.
  - Use Oregon Department of Transportation's [TripCheck](#) website for updates on weather and road conditions
  - Make sure your vehicle emergency kit is up to date and includes a paper map

**Now Hiring –**

- OEM is hiring an Operations and Policy [Analyst 4](#) (Private Sector Partnership Program Manager), position closes Dec. 8.

**Disaster of the Week –**

**November 29, 1991:** Over 100 vehicles were involved in a [massive pile-up on Interstate 5](#) just outside of Coalinga, in central California. The massive wreck killed 17 people, [one of the nation's deadliest](#), was caused by blowing dust that reduced visibility to mere feet. The dust storm came without warning and many involved in the wreck said by the time they could see break lights, it was too late to stop.

**Lessons Learned:** There are a number of hazards to be aware of when traveling our nation's highways, including weather hazards. It is always advisable to check road and weather conditions before any long trip ([Oregon's TripCheck](#) by our partners at ODOT is a great resource), and monitoring changing conditions as you travel is equally important. If you find yourself caught in a dust storm, or [haboob](#), while driving, the [National Weather Service](#) remind us to pull off the roadway as soon as possible (never stop on the road) and turn off all of your vehicle's exterior lights (including emergency flashers). In the past, motorists driving in dust storms have pulled off the roadway, leaving lights on, and vehicles approaching from the rear used the advance car's lights as a guide. Vehicles have inadvertently left the roadway and in some instances collided with the parked vehicles. You should also stay in your vehicle with your seatbelt buckled until the storm passes. For more dust storm safety information, visit Arizona's [Pull Aside – Stay Alive](#) dust storm safety page.

**ECC –**

- The State ECC is currently in Level 1 Standby. All requests for assistance should be made by contacting OERS at 1-800-452-0311.