



OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

OEM: Weekly Watch Report

November 30, 2015 – December 6, 2015

Message from the Director –

Weather –

Monday – low 40's west of the Cascades, mid 20's to lower 30's east, ice in the valley, snow in the Cascades, rain late.

Tuesday – mid 40's to low 50's west of the Cascades, mid 20's to mid 30's east, chance of rain in the valley late

Wednesday – upper 40's to mid 50's west of the Cascades, low-mid 30's east, rain west, snow east

Thursday – upper 40's to mid 50's west of the Cascades, mid 30's to low 40's east, rain west, snow east

Friday – upper 40's west of the Cascades, mid 30's to low 40's east, rain west, snow east

Saturday – mid 30's to upper 40's for the majority of the state, chance of rain west

Sunday – upper 30's to mid 40's for the majority of the state, chance of rain west

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 –

- [Disaster preparation should be a part of everyday life in the Northwest](#)
- [In the Days leading to Thanksgiving, Red Cross responds to local disasters 14 times](#)

Critical Infrastructure/Private Sector –

- Private Sector: Strategic Economic Development Corporation (SEDCOR)
 - “Mobilize the Community: Mass Care and Shelter Services”
 - Dec 9, Salem Convention Center 10:30-2:30
- The ‘Future of Smart Cities: Cyber-Physical Infrastructure Risk’ webinar took place 11/19. If you missed the webinar check out the slides (attached).
- Managing risks to critical infrastructure involves preparing for all hazards. Learn how DHS Protective Security Advisors serve as infrastructure liaisons and use [HSIN](#) to help connect public safety officials with private sector partners.

Training --

- Check the [training calendar](#) for the most up to date list of training.
- Planning on going to EMI for training? Your application needs to be submitted no less than six weeks prior to the class. Submit your 119 form to: 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 –

- FEMA's Emergency Management Institute, in partnership with the DHS Office of Academic Engagement, FEMA Region VII, and U.S. Fire Administration, will present a webinar titled "Tools for Creating Campus Resilience"
 - [Register Here](#)
 - Dec. 16, 1:30-2:30p.m. ET
- #SafeTravels social media campaign with FEMA Region 10
 - Dec. 20 – 26, Online

Private Sector –

- FEMA and partners will hold the Fifth Annual Building Resilience through Public-Private Partnerships Conference
 - [Registration](#) ends Dec. 4
 - Dec. 10-11, New Orleans, Louisiana

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. Application period will close Jan. 22, 2016.
- **FMAG/HMGP Pilot:** On Sept. 28th FEMA announced a Pilot to provide HMGP assistance linked to FMAG fire suppression declarations. For Oregon, this means six HMGP programs for Oregon's six 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. 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 –

- Carbon monoxide-related deaths are highest during colder months. These deaths are likely due to increased use of gas-powered furnaces and alternative heating, cooking, and power sources used inappropriately indoors during power outages.
 - Never use a generator, grill, camp stove or other burning devices inside a home, garage, basement, crawlspace or any partially enclosed area. Locate unit at least 20 feet away from doors, windows and vents that could allow carbon monoxide to come indoors.
 - Never leave the motor running in a vehicle parked in an enclosed or space, such as a garage.

- Install carbon monoxide alarms in central locations on every level of your home and outside sleeping areas and change the batteries every 6 months.
- If the carbon monoxide alarm sounds, move quickly to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door and call for help.
- For more information check the CDC webpage on [CO poisoning prevention](#).

Now Hiring –

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

Disaster of the Week –

December 2-3, 1984: A gas leak at the [Union Carbide India Limited pesticide plant in Bhopal, India](#), caused [methyl isocyanate](#) gas to leak into the surrounding villages, causing what is believed to be the world's largest industrial disaster. Over 500,000 people were exposed to the toxic cloud. The exact number of fatalities caused by this leak is unknown, but estimates range from over 2,200 to 16,000, with many of those deaths occurring weeks, months, and even years after the incident as a result of exposure to the deadly chemicals. The gas release was believed to have been caused by a number of factors, including improper chemical storage, a lack of maintenance, and safety systems being shut off to save money.

Lessons learned: This disaster, which continues to impact Bhopal, India and the surrounding area, changed the way hazardous materials are used, transported, stored, and reported in the US. In 1986, Congress passed the [Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act \(EPCRA\)](#). This Act mandates local governments include response plans for any hazardous materials stored in, or transported through their community, and facilities must immediately report accidental releases of Extremely Hazardous Substances to state and local authorities. The EPCRA also requires facilities that manufacture, process, or store hazardous chemicals make [Material Safety Data Sheets](#) available to the public, which describe the properties and health effects of the chemicals stored or manufactured on site. Visit the Oregon Office of the State Fire Marshall for information about [Local Emergency Planning Committees](#) and the State's [Hazardous Materials response program](#).

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.