



OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

OEM: Weekly Watch Report

December 28, 2015 – January 03, 2016

Message from the Director –

Weather –

Monday – Mostly cloudy with scattered showers. Highs at the coast in the mid to upper 40s. Highs inland in the low to mid 40s. Isolated lingering rain and snow showers in the evening with lows in the upper 20s.

Tuesday – Cloudy with an increasing chance of rain or snow and a chance of freezing fog.

Wednesday – Clouds and lingering rain and snow showers with lows at the coast between 35 and 40 and inland lower to mid 30s.

Thursday – Mostly clear with areas of freezing fog. Lows in the mid 20s to 30s and high of 45.

Friday – Mostly clear with areas of freezing fog. Lows in the mid 20s to 30s and high of 45.

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

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

Initial Damage Assessment for the recent winter storm –

- OEM is asking counties impacted by recent severe weather to conduct an Initial Damage Assessment (IDA) for their jurisdiction.
- For the purpose of the IDA we request counties report costs, damages, and impacts that occurred as a direct result of weather occurring during the incident period. The close of the incident has not yet been determined. Please report the dates that damage occurred and costs incurred on the IDA forms you submit to OEM. A summary of IDA information is reported to OEM by counties using [this form](#).
- The counties submit Initial Damage Assessment Summary Report Form and field data forms to OEM for review and consolidation into the state's overall impacts.
- The state has 30-days from the date of the event to make the request for a Major Disaster Declaration to the President, if warranted. Therefore, it's extremely important that we receive your IDA by close of business on Dec. 30.
- Forms for public infrastructure IDA can be found [here](#).

Contact Information

- For questions about Public Infrastructure IDA contact: Julie Slevin 503.378.2911 x22235 or Darrell Neet 503-378-2911 x22293.
- For questions about homes and businesses assessment contact Joseph Murray 503.378.2911 x22240 or Kelly Jo Craigmiles 503-378-2911, x22246.
- For all other questions about the IDA process contact Clint Fella 503-378-2911 x22227.

In the News –

- [Emergency declaration issued for apartment complexes threatened by landslides](#)
- [The 25 biggest earthquakes ever recorded](#)
- [Video/State of Emergency: Lincoln /County makes declaration](#)
- [Training offered to help critical services resume after natural disaster](#)

Critical Infrastructure/Private Sector –

- Jan. 5, 2016 - Oregon Public Utility Commission (PUC) is hosting an Emergency Support Function (ESF) 2 Communication Cascadia Playbook Workshop in Salem
- Jan. 19, 2016 – PUC is hosting an ESF 12 Energy Cascadia Playbook Workshop in Salem
- Feb 24-26, 2016 Oregon Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (ORWARN) Conference will be in Newport. [Register here.](#)

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.

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.
- The revised Request for Proposal (RFP) for Network services and ANI / ALI services was released on December 8, 2015.
- 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.
 - Application Guidance Conference Calls
 - Jan. 6, 2016 11a.m. to 12p.m.
 - Jan. 20, 2016 11a.m. to 12p.m.
- **FMAG/HMGP Pilot:** On Sept. 28, 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 –

- Call for speakers: The 2016 Oregon Emergency Preparedness Workshop planning team is looking for speakers for the upcoming workshop! Any attendee with information on a topic relevant to the Emergency Management Community can give a 6-12 minute presentation on Wednesday, April 6.
 - If you are interested submit the following information to Sidra Metzger-Hines at Sidra.metzgerhines@state.or.us
 - Full name of presenter
 - Agency affiliation
 - Topic
 - A brief presentation summary
 - What, if any, media support will be needed
- The Department of Homeland Security has updated National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS). The upgraded NTAS includes a bulletin notification mechanism that will provide a synopsis of what the current US threat environment is. [Check the bulletin here.](#)
- OEM is supporting the special event planning effort for the World Indoor Track and Field Championships scheduled for March 2016 in Portland.

Preparedness Tip –

- New Year's Eve Safety Tips
 - Designate a Driver: Whether on the road or on the water, don't drink and drive.
 - Don't Drive: If you don't have to go behind the wheel, avoid it. More people will be driving under the influence on this particular night, so avoid a potentially dangerous accident by staying off the road.
 - Be Alert: Be aware of your surroundings and how others are acting. Stay away from those who are out of control and might cause harm. If someone is really intoxicated, prevent them from trying to drive or leaving with someone they do not know.
 - Monitor your Alcohol Intake: Be sure to pay attention to how much you and others are consuming. Drinking too much alcohol can have lethal affects. Be responsible.
- For these tips and more check [here](#)

Now Hiring –

- Multnomah County is hiring a Planning Division [Chief](#) for Emergency Management, position closes Jan. 3.

Disaster of the Week –

December 30, 1903: [Chicago's Iroquois Theater caught fire](#), killing at least 605 people, making it the deadliest theater fire in US history. Most of the deaths occurred at the bottoms of exit stairways, which were blocked by iron gates. Most of those who died were theater patrons, including many women and children attending the matinee. The Mayor of Chicago ordered all theaters in town closed for six weeks following the fire until new safety measures could be implemented. Allegations that City Fire Marshals had been bribed to look past fire code violations in exchange for free show tickets were investigated. The theater's owners and public officials were charged with various crimes. However, the only criminal conviction was that of a tavern owner; charged with robbing the graves of some victims.

Lessons learned: Following this fire, use of "[panic bars](#)" on exits became more common, and are now required in all high-occupancy structures like theaters, schools, and arenas. Other improvements in large venue safety, like fire curtains and exit doors (that open in the direction of egress) became required by building and fire codes.

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.