



OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

OEM: Weekly Watch Report

September 28-October 4, 2015

Message from the Director –

- Watch OEM Director Andrew Phelps as he is interviewed by KOIN 6 during Quake Week.

Weather – freeze warning in effect for portions of Crook, Deschutes, Jefferson, Gilliam, Morrow, Umatilla, Union counties until 9/28 at 9AM.

Monday – upper 70's to low 80's for the majority of Oregon

Tuesday – upper 70's to low 80's for the majority of Oregon

Wednesday – mid 70's for the majority of Oregon

Thursday – low 70's for the majority of Oregon

Friday – mid 70's for the majority of Oregon

Saturday – mid 70's for the majority of Oregon

Sunday – mid 70's for the majority of Oregon

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

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

Wildfires –

- Dry Gulch – 17,823 acres, 90% contained

Info courtesy of: http://gacc.nifc.gov/nwcc/information/fire_info.aspx

In the News –

- [How to survive a big earthquake in the PNW](#)
- [Playbook outlines first 14 days after major quake](#)
- [Preparing now, surviving later after The Big One](#)
- [Ready or Not?](#)
- [Drop, Cover, Hold On: Earthquake drill coming](#)

Critical Infrastructure/Private Sector –

- Northwest Energy Association 2015 Fall Symposium: Energy Infrastructure Preparedness for a Cascadia Mega-Earthquake
 - October 2, 9-5, Hood River, OR - [NWEA Fall Symposium Registration](#)
- Register your organization today for the [Great Oregon ShakeOut!](#) And encourage your private sector partners to register as well.
- [Bakken Oil Transport: Emerging Risks Awareness Training](#)

- A course on general awareness and safety of Bakken crude oil for municipalities, communities and organizations to prepare for a rail incident.
 - October 22 8am-430pm, Boardman OR
 - October 23 8am-430pm, Seattle WA
- November is National Critical Infrastructure Security & Resilience Month. Oregon Department of Justice is offering the following courses:
 - November 12-13 - MGT310: Jurisdictional Threat & Hazard Identification & Risk Assessment - 16 hrs.
 - November 16 - AWR213: Critical Infrastructure Security & Resilience Awareness – 8 hrs.
 - November 17-18 - MGT315: Critical Asset Risk Management – 16 hrs.
 - November 19 - MGT414: Advanced Critical Infrastructure Protection – 8 hrs.
 - Contact Shannon Marheine at Oregon TITAN Fusion Center (shannon.m.marheine@doj.state.or.us, Phone: 503-934-2022) for more information
- <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/Pages/index.aspx>

Site of Interest:

- US Energy Information Administration website:
<http://www.eia.gov/>

Training --

- For new training opportunities view the [training calendar](#)
- Updated protocols for NIMS/ICS Training can be found at:
http://www.oregon.gov/OMD/OEM/Pages/plans_train/train_exercise.aspx

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.
- The next ECC Operations exercise is scheduled for November 12, 2015, 0900-1300. Focus will be on Core Capabilities: Operational Coordination, Operational Communication, Critical Transportation, to include other critical infrastructure. The following ESFs will be primary players:
 - ESF-1 Transportation
 - ESF-2 Communications
 - ESF-3 Public Works
 - ESF-5 Information and Planning

Community Engagement –

- Washington County's [QuakeUp](#) event on earthquake and disaster preparedness
 - October 10 9am-130pm, Hillsboro Civic Center
- [Disaster Relief Trials](#)
 - A bike race designed to test navigation, problem solving, and hauling mettle while educating on the use of cargo bikes during an emergency
 - October 17 10am-5pm, University of Portland
- OEM is looking for letters of support from ShakeOut Partners, Organizers, Sponsors, and others for the [Great Oregon ShakeOut!](#)
 - Here are examples of [past letters](#) if you are interested.
 - For more information contact Althea Rizzo (althea.rizzo@state.or.us)

9-1-1 Program –

- The 9-1-1 Program Oregon Administrative Rules (OARs) are being rewritten. The proposed OARs have been submitted to Secretary of State's Office and shared with stakeholders and will appear in the Oregon Bulletin On October 1, 2015. From September 15, 2015 through November 6, 2015 is public comment time.
- For questions pertaining to the OARs, please contact Gillien Duvall at gillien.duvall@state.or.us.

- For questions regarding the interested parties list, please contact Genevieve Ziebell at genevieve.ziebell@state.or.us.

Grants –

- OEM Mitigation & Recovery staff will be participating in post-wildfire meetings in the following counties (which represent four of the five counties with FMAG declarations from the Summer 2015 Fire Season):
 - Baker: September 28th, Wildfire Aid Meeting in Baker City
 - Grant: September 29th, Wildfire Aid Meeting in John Day
 - Douglas: September 29th, Wildfire Mitigation Meeting in Roseburg
 - Wallowa: September 30th, Wildfire Mitigation Meeting in Troy
- The meetings will seek local input to mitigation strategies and projects, and for the roll-out of the FMAG-HMGP Pilot. A total of \$2.6 million (Federal funding share) will be made available to Oregon for post-wildfire mitigation projects in the five counties. OEM will be managing the FMAG-HMGP Pilot grant program funding under the leadership and direction of Clint Fella.

Planning --

- OEM is supporting the special event planning effort for the World Indoor Track and Field Championships scheduled for March 2016 in Portland.
- The new version of the Cascadia Playbook is here.
 - In order to receive a new Playbook, you will need to turn in the expired Playbook.
 - To coordinate your “Playbook Swap”, please contact Zach Swick at 503-378-2911 x22233 or zach.swick@state.or.us.

Preparedness Tip –

- The best thing to do during an earthquake is **Drop, Cover, and Hold On** as soon as you feel shaking
 - DROP down onto your hands and knees so the earthquake doesn’t knock you down
 - COVER your head and neck with your arms to protect yourself from falling debris. If you are in danger from falling objects, and you can move safely, crawl to a safer place or seek cover (e.g., under a desk or table)
 - Most earthquake injuries are caused by falling objects like lamps, furniture/appliances, ceiling tiles, etc.
 - When choosing a cover stay away from windows
 - HOLD ON to any sturdy covering so you can move with it until the shaking stops

Disaster of the Week –

October 4, 2010: A dam at a waste reservoir for a factory in Hungary collapsed, [sending millions of gallons of red sludge](#) through nearby towns [injuring 150 people and killing ten](#). The sludge was a byproduct of a process used to turn bauxite into a type of aluminum oxide. Over 15 square miles of land were initially affected by the toxic release.

Lessons learned: The unintentional release of hazardous materials is a problem all over the world, and one that causes damage to the economy, our health, and to the environment. Taking care to ensure hazardous materials are not released into the environment, either by accident, on purpose, or due to negligence, is the responsibility of everyone that comes in contact with a potentially toxic substance. Safely disposing of household cleaners, automotive fluids, and electronics may seem small in comparison to the release described in this week’s disaster, but taking the time to ensure these substances cannot cause harm after they have been used is important to protect the health of our community. Visit our partners at the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality for information on [disposing of household hazardous waste](#) in Oregon

ECC –

- The State ECC is currently in Level 1 Standby. OEM staff continues to monitor the fires, all requests for assistance have returned to normal Duty Officer procedures of notifying OERS at 1-800-452-0311.