

**SAN DIEGO UNIFIED DISASTER COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
February 20, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Greg Cox called the meeting to order at 9:00 am and roll call was taken.

2. ROLL CALL

CARLSBAD
CHULA VISTA
CORONADO
DEL MAR/ENCINITAS
EL CAJON
LEMON GROVE
ESCONDIDO
LA MESA
IMPERIAL BEACH
NATIONAL CITY
OCEANSIDE
POWAY
SAN DIEGO
SAN MARCOS
SANTEE
SOLANA BEACH
VISTA
OES

MEMBER

David Harrison
Jim Geering
Charles Kaye
Corina Jimenez
Steve Swaney
Steve Swaney
Rick Vogt
Steve Swaney
John French
Walter Amedee
Rick Robinson
Jon Canavan
Colin Stowell
Daniel Barron
Tim Stuber
Corina Jimenez
Ned VanderPol
Jeff Toney

3. CALL FOR PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: The minutes of October 24, 2020 were unanimously approved.

5. ALERT AND WARNING MOA - Dan Vasquez, OES

A brief history was given about the mass notification system and the importance of notifying residents during an emergency. Since August of 2018, County OES or the San Diego County Sheriff's Department were responsible for originating all Wireless Emergency Alert activations. In January 2020 a Memorandum of Agreement was initiated to allow each jurisdiction to initiate Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) and generate AlertSanDiego campaigns. Training and guidelines are currently being rolled out to each jurisdiction.

The purpose of the training is to ensure effective and efficient use of Alert & Warning, agencies must regularly train and exercise their Alert & Warning policies and procedures. It is recommended that jurisdictions create a training program consisting of readily available coursework divided into sections of system access and responsibilities

The Memorandum of Agreement was presented to the Council.

ACTION: A motion was made to approve the Alert & Warning Memorandum of Agreement and was unanimously approved.

6. CORONAVIRUS UPDATE – Dr. Eric McDonald, San Diego County HHS

On February 14, 2020 the San Diego County Public Health Officer issued a Declaration of Local Health Emergency. The Chief Administrative Officer issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency regarding COVID-19. This empowered the County to more effectively respond to COVID-19, seek mutual aid, potentially obtain reimbursement, ensure that the County's health professionals and other local stakeholders have all the necessary tools.

The groups at risk for COVID-19 are travel from Wuhan City within the last 14 days, travel from China, or close contact with an ill person who recently traveled from these areas. There is currently no vaccine available to protect against COVID-19. There is limited person-to-person transmission in the U.S.

Patients infected with the COVID-19 virus have reported mild to severe respiratory illness, with symptoms that include fever, cough, difficulty breathing. Symptoms may appear in as few as 2 days or as many as 14 days after exposure.

7. RED CROSS REALIGNMENT – Victor Roosen, American Red Cross

The American Red Cross shared their realignment of Biomedical Services and Humanitarian Services regions. All employees and volunteers will be within the same boundary – a One Red Cross region. The name of the local region is Southern California Region. The name of the chapter is American Red Cross of San Diego and Imperial Counties. The Regional Disaster Officer is Debbie Leahy and her contact information is: Debbie.leahy@redcross.org.

8. REGIONAL FULL-SCALE EXERCISE AFTER ACTION REPORT– Julie Jeakle, OES

The 2019 Regional Full-Scale Exercise was a one-day exercise designed to increase proficiency of the San Diego Operational Area to respond to mass casualty/complex coordinated attacks that require a coordinated multi-agency/multi-disciplinary response.

The Regional full-scale exercise date was November 6, 2019 in two field locations (Legoland and NICUA), and operational EOC, and family assistance center. Over 1000 players with over 1200 participants utilizing 72 agencies.

The After-Action Report consists of input gathered from exercise evaluators, participants, post exercise surveys, hot washes and interviews. It contains analytical outputs distilled into strengths and areas for improvement.

Some major strengths include: first responders effectively organized and improvised to overcome coordination The Emergency Operations Centers effectively shared information, coordinated public messaging, and addressed key policy decision. Authorities at all levels considered family assistance and reunification needs. Media engagement and press briefing coordination between jurisdictions was effective.

Some primary areas for improvement include: Accountability of onsite field responders as well as on-scene victims was limited and difficult to establish. Integration and coordination of operational communications was a challenge. The Medical Examiner's Office was not engaged by Incident Command. The Operational Area EOC Director was stretched to fulfill concurrent roles of oversight of the OAEOC while maintaining presence with the Policy Group.

Save the date: July 2020 for Regional TTX.

9. CAL OES REPORT – Cruz Ponce, Cal OES

- CalOES lost Regional Director Jeff Toney to San Diego County OES.
- Focusing on Corona Virus support – MOC is partnering with the EOC
- Binational Communication Working Group meeting in Mexico was a success

- FEMA Dam Safety Training March 2 in Marina Del Rey

10. URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT/REGIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM – Megan Beall, OHS

Training: 11 trainings have been performed since January 2020. Total personnel trained since January 1, 2020: 177.

FY18: Deadline is September 2020—spending on track

FY19: Waiting on Cal OES for approval and then award letters will be sent out

FY20: Released last Friday – evaluate funding

11. STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM GRANT – Sherry McGlauglin, OES

FY17: Final reimbursement request/closeout due to Cal OES on May 31, 2020

FY18: Final date to expend funds is May 31, 2020

FY19: Waiting on Cal OES for approval. Award letters will be sent. Final reimbursement requests due to OES on June 30, 2021. Please note that these dates may change.

12. EXECUTIVE REPORT – Jeff Toney, OES

A. Legislation review – these are the bills we are monitoring:

SB-378: Electrical corporations: de-energization events, procedures, allocations of costs

AB-1936: Price gouging during public safety power shutoffs

AB-291- Local Emergency Preparedness and hazard mitigation fund

AB-2054 – Emergency services: community response grant program

B. The Neighborhood Evacuation Team launched January 2020. This will pair CERT members with neighbors in their community that may need assistance with evacuation planning in the unincorporated areas. On July 2, 2020, it will be opened to all CERT teams.

C. Earthquake Early Warning System – My Shake will be embedded technology in SD Emergency application. The goal is to launch by October 2020 before the Great Shakeout.

D. New OES staff introduced: Erin McCann, Senior Emergency Services Coordinator. Dominic Fonseca, Emergency Services Coordinator. Nick Thomlison, Emergency Services Coordinator. Val Dama, Administrative Analyst. Cyndy Vilke, Administrative Analyst.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING – April 16, 2020, 0900-1100 am

SD County OES 5580 Overland Avenue, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92123

MEETING ADJOURNED – 10:01 AM