

**SAN DIEGO UNIFIED DISASTER COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
October 31, 2024**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Nora Vargas called the meeting to order at 9:00 am and roll call was taken.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBER

CARLSBAD	Kim Young
CHULA VISTA	Marlon King
CORONADO	Brian Standing
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO	Nora Vargas
DEL MAR/ENCINITAS/ SOLANA BEACH	Joshua Gordon
EL CAJON	Brent Koch
ESCONDIDO	John Tenger
IMPERIAL BEACH	John French
LA MESA	Brent Koch
LEMON GROVE	Brent Koch
NATIONAL CITY	Sergio Mora
SAN DIEGO	Robert Logan II
SAN MARCOS	Daniel Barron
SANTEE	Justin Matsushita

3. CALL FOR PUBLIC INPUT

There were no requests for public comment.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: The minutes of August 15, 2024, were unanimously approved.

No public comments.

Homeland Security Grant; Allocation Formula (Stephen Rea, OES)

ACTION: The Approval of Grant Allocation Formula was unanimously approved.

No Public Comments

Homeland Security Grant; Reallocation (Stephen Rea, OES)

ACTION: The Approval of Grant Reallocation was unanimously approved.

No Public Comments

UDC Subcommittee Report; HIRT Tribal Participation (Shannon Nuzzo, OES)

ACTION: The Approval of cost share formula was unanimously approved.

No Public Comments

5. Informational Presentations and Standing Reports

A. 2024 General Election – Cynthia Paes, Registrar of Voters

- As of Saturday, Oct 26th, 39 vote centers are open daily from 8am-5pm.
- As of Saturday, November 2nd, all 235 vote centers will be open daily from 8am-5pm.
- On election day, Tuesday, November 5th all 235 vote centers will be open from 7am-8pm.
- As of Tuesday, October 8th, 150 official ballot drop boxes have been open around the county. 118 of these are open 24/7. All vote centers and drop boxes will close at 8pm on election night.

B. Genasys Alert and Warning – Lisa Bernard, Genasys

- Mobile EVAC app is underway as of the middle of 2024. Next year it will go through engineer design phase and then development.
- The Minimum Viable Product (MVP) will have the abilities to update zones, road closures and upload AID.
- A custom zone area will be going into BETA in December. This function will allow for custom multi-hazard polygons.
- Currently working on multi-provider service. Currently the only provider is ESRI. The goal with this is to always have a map available.
- There are currently 130,000 downloads of this application nationwide.
- Mobile App does not require or track any personal data. This helps with allowing anyone to use, but it limits the ability to know where users are located to tailor information and resources.

C. CAL OES Report – Patrick Buttron, Cal OES

- Currently supporting Cal Fire and Rescue branch with vegetation fires. There are currently two ongoing fires (Bridge and Line).
- State Threat Assessment Center (STAC) is stood up and will continue monitoring potential threats due to election and political matters.
- Attended Fleet Week and Winter Weather Workshop.
- Preparing for winter weather.
- Will be involved in the tabletop earthquake exercise.

D. State Homeland Security Program Grant – Ron Cacho, County of San Diego OES

- FY 2021 Please continue to send in cash reimbursement requests. February 28, 2025 is the deadline for submissions.
- FY 2022 Grants Monitoring visits with all SHSP subrecipients has concluded. Sites that were visited in October 2024 will be receiving the post monitoring site visit report within the next few weeks.
- FY 2023 No cash reimbursement requests have been received at this time. Please send in your request if you have any.
- FY 2024 The advanced application workbook was submitted to Cal OES in May. Award letter is expected mid-November. The National Cybersecurity Review link has been sent out to the jurisdictions. The certificates are due by January 31, 2025.
- FY 2025 Pre-Applications are due to Cal OES on January 31, 2025. County OES will be providing all subrecipients additional information regarding the pre-application in December.

E. Urban Area Security Initiative Grant Program – Katie Mugg, City OES

- FY 2022 This period will close in December. If an extension is needed, please submit the request as soon as possible.
- FY 2023 Projects should be underway for this cycle.
- FY 2025 Grant proposals have been received and are being reviewed. During the next two weeks

the proposals will be vetted, and the award allocations will be determined.

No public comments.

6. **Executive Report** – Jeff Toney, County of San Diego OES

A. **Board Memorandum on Four Phases of Emergency Management**

- Stakeholder comments were received. The Board of Supervisors received a memorandum with 70 recommendations related to activities the County could take to improve their ability to prepare for, mitigate, respond to, and recover from disasters.
- County OES reviewed all recommendations.
- The key items listed were to increase engagement across all partners and community-based organizations, explore the establishment of a Recovery Division, develop a method to distribute monetary donations directly to disaster survivors, and apply for and accept grant funding from the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program.

B. **Legislation/Policy Updates**

- AB 1786 would allow individual assistance to go directly to survivors. This bill has failed to pass three times. County OES will continue to lobby for this bill.
- Air Quality Health Plan (A B619) is being drafted at the State level.

C. **Other Announcements**

- Air Filters have been delivered to South Bay in response to the Tijuana River Valley Sewage Crisis. Over 2 million units have been delivered and additional assets are expected soon.
- Winter Weather Workshop was held on October 24, 2024, at County OES. All sectors gathered together to discuss current events, trends, responses and preparedness.

No public comments.

7. **NEXT REGULAR MEETING** – December 12, 2024, from 9:00 – 11:00 am
County of San Diego OES – 5580 Overland Avenue, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92123

MEETING ADJOURNED – 10:05 AM