TRINITY COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

“To collaboratively pursue the preservation of life, property and the environment in Trinity County. Establish the emergency management organization through Disaster Council partners in county, special districts, non-governmental organizations and others to develop assigned tasks, policies and procedures through a coordination of efforts to better serve and protect the interests of Trinity County.”

Trinity County Disaster Council
Minutes
Tuesday, January 10 2023 at 2:00 PM
In-Person Meeting
(Virtual Option)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Minutes from November 8, 2022 Meeting: to read and approve
3. Presentation:
4. Incident Reviews – All
   A. 2022-2023 Early Winter Storms – State and Federal Declarations in place. County will proclaim due to infrastructure damage.
5. Grant Updates – Mike Cottone, Philip Simi
   a. Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)
      Year-end work on grants.
   b. Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
   c. Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS)
6. Health Officer Discussion – Dr. Herfindahl
   Activated MHOAC last week due to power outages that resulted in residents not being able to charge DME. Looking at charging stations around the county. Arina – Hospital called MHOAC team due to not having enough plugins for oxygenators, or backup oxygenators to support the need. Rancheria offered their lobby to residents who needed to charge DME. Need outreach to encourage people to be prepared for 72 hours.
7. Reports and Action Items:
   a) Agricultural Commissioner: Joseph Moreo
   b) ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service): Karl Fisher
      Frontier radio grant – Station in Hyampom is now operational. Will be working with Hayfork Elementary School to install a radio there. Working on the neighborhood radio watch program. GRMS, not HAM. Will be working with Frank Moore in Hyampom on equipment for GRMS to test its effectiveness. Fairly inexpensive and can potentially connect people in rural areas who don’t have other means of communications. Tried to test out Incident Report Form, but was unable to submit it.
   c) Behavioral Health: Connie Cessna Smith
   d) Board of Supervisors: Ric Leutwyler
      Sitting in for Jill Cox
e) California Tribal TANF Partnership
   Jana is no longer with CTTP. Looking for next CTTP representative.

f) Cal OES: Robert Goyeneche

g) CAO: Letty Garza

h) CHP (California Highway Patrol) – Brandon Lale
   Running as many staff as we can due to the weather. Working with Caltrans on slides and other issues. If
   you come across something, call 911 dispatch or go through OES. Here to serve you guys and ready to go.

i) District Attorney Office: Joni Wiley, Jessica Tillinghast
   New shipment of sweatshirts gloves beanies for events. Were trying to get set up for any season. WE have
   a new attorney, Raymond Yeung, who started Monday.

j) DOT: David Colbeck
   Canyon Creek continuing… crane is being set up now. Working on the red alert model to pinpoint people
   behind slides. Will reach out to Philip. We have plenty of slide damage from storms. Garret Rd is at risk of
   being washed out. It is a one-way (ingress, egress) road. Animal clinic is down that road as well. The road
   was inundated yesterday since it is in the flood plain. May need to relocate the road. Looking at a ‘red
   alert’ system to inform residents impacted by road blockages. Amelia supports using CodeRed to alert
   residents, even if it is to provide a phone number to call. May have info on grant options to address
   flooding issues.

   Ric Leutweiler – Canyon Creek Rd slide – How are these issues being handled?
   
   David – The new Canyon Creek slide is minor and can be addressed by DOT.
   
   Ric – Left-hand slide before the big slide. David – That is a previous slide that we are working with FHWA
   on.
   
   David – Garret Rd is similar to Van Duzen, where we had to throw large rock in to stabilize, and had to
   relocate the road. Two other sites near the airport levee. The river has been moving for years. Relocating
   the work may be the long-term solutions.

k) Environmental Health: Kristy Anderson

l) Faith Based Organizations: Jesse Ragan

m) Cal Fire – Nick Ciapponi

n) HHS - Public Health: Dr. Herfindahl, Marcie Cudziol
   Infrastructure issues, roads and equity issues. Important to talk about things in equity language. Equity
   differences between counties. Larger counties get a lot of the resources. Health Officers/Directors were
   on a call last night about equity issues. Can we start to engage legislators and funding sources? Our
   infrastructure is crumbling due to weather, climates, fires. PHE is going away. Looking at revising Cal OSHA
   standards to maintain ventilation processes, requires employers to make testing available. There has been
   a slight uptake in COVID.
   
   Arina – PHEP is gearing up for a regional exercise, and a community-based ex. May 10th for regional ex
   (tabletop). June 28-29 – AM and PM Decontamination training for EMS, emergency personnel, hospital
   personnel. Keep an eye out for an email. After the training, will hold an exercise. We have a new
   decontamination tent. Based on the After-Action Report from our 2019 decontamination exercise.

o) HHS - Social Services: Liz Hamilton
   Shelter walkthrough training coming up in the Spring.

p) HRN: Julie Golston, Sheri White

   No updates from HRN.
q) OES: Philip Simi, Mike Cottone

OES will be proclaiming for Early Winter Storms.

Weaverville CSD had a water main break.
r) Planning and Building: Ed Prestley

c) Probation: Ruby Fierro, Lance Floerke

t) Red Cross: Andrew Bogar

ARC is incredibly busy with earthquakes, aftershocks, wind, rain. We would normally be looking at planning for training. Should be wrapping up response in the next week or two. Want to get out to Hayfork, would like to do some training, initial training, shelter training. Had one call regarding an independent living facility in Hayfork.

u) Region III RDMHS: Patti Carter, Jeff McManus, Jennifer Johnson

Or hospitals, especially larger, are overflowing with patients and are backed up but managing. Some delays getting patients transferred due to weather issues, closed roads, downed trees. Exercise on the 10th is region-wide. It will be a gigantic exercise with a tabletop. There will be opportunities for counties to turn their cameras around to work just within their counties. Wil test radiation, burn, chemical plans, and part of pediatric plan and communications.

v) Risk Management:

w) Schools: Fabio Robles

x) Sheriff: Tim Saxon, Brian Ward

y) Solid Waste: Diane Rader

z) Trinity County Food Bank: Jeffrey England

aa) Trinity County Life Support: Patricia Wyckoff

bb) Trinity County Public Utility District: Sarah Sheetz

Been busy – Starting last Wednesday, Jan 4, we had outages throughout the day. At 6pm lost WAPA feed, just east of WVL. WVL, JC, DC, Lew, Hayfork. 80% of our load. Took a while to find the location. We assisted WAPA on the location. 2 – 70’ poles that went down outside of Lewiston. Difficult access, muddy conditions, during a rainstorm. Energized at 430PM following afternoon, with exception of Lewiston and Buckhorn summit. On Friday, lost Hayfork and DC. Got dc back up in 1-2 hours. Hfk restored at 930pm. Had to use a dozer to lower the line truck down to complete the work. We’ve had other outages including north county. Now fully restored. Thanks to Philip for helping to get the word out. Thanks to Hospital and HHS to get people to the help they needed.

cc) Trinity Hospital: Belen Manybanseng

dd) Trinity Resource Conservation District: Amelia Fleitz

Crews are off for winter. In grant writing season. Getting ready with CalFire, fire prevention, forest health. CWPP, TC HMP, Evacuation routes planning. HMP survey has started with firewise groups and will go out county wide in a few months.

e) USFS: Brian Fabbri, Glen Tingley

ff) Veterans Services: Jennifer Dobbs

gg) Treasurer/Tax Collector - Terri McBrayer

No report

hh) DWR – Bill Ehorn –
No report.

8. Upcoming Training/Exercises – All

9. Other Business

10. Next Meeting: March 14th at 2:00pm

11. Schedule: Second Tuesday every other month
    2023: January 10th, March 14th, May 9th, July 11th, September 12th, November 14th.

12. Adjourn

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