



## **Weekly ORVOAD Informational Update Friday, June 16, 2017**

ORVOAD Members and Partners –

We have a new exercise to announce this week – EARTH Ex 2017. This is an exciting project as it is being rolled out to a wide audience; from families to major industry leaders, and across three continents. I suggest there is not a disaster response organization in our membership that could not benefit from taking four hours on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, pulling together your team and working through the exercise. Developed by the Electric Infrastructure Security Council, the exercise walks us through our disaster and COOP plans to determine how we will respond to a prolonged electrical outage. I strongly encourage your participation as the scenario is very real and will impact all of us.

Being ready for response to disaster begins by being ready to take care of ourselves and our families first. From the EARTH Ex 2017 exercise, to eclipse planning, the HEARTH conference and the various FEMA/OEM workshops being presented in the coming months, we have ample opportunities to prepare ourselves, our families and our work-places for disaster.

I encourage each of you to participate in the various training opportunities and report back to our membership your experiences. Why? Because we are counting on you to be available directly after a disaster. Have you taken the time to build some depth on your organization's bench? Do we have multiple contacts for your organization? You should.

There are ample opportunities this summer to register for a training or participate in an exercise. I look forward to hearing from you regarding your experiences and personal learnings from these events. If you have questions about any of the workshops for training opportunities, please connect with the event provider, or talk with an ORVOAD officer.

### **EARTH EX 2017:**

With modern infrastructure networks interconnected on national and global scales, public and private sector leaders are increasingly focusing on multi-sector planning as an essential foundation to support restoration and sustain affected populations in extreme, "Black Sky" hazard scenarios: Subcontinent-scale power outages with cascading infrastructure failures. Exercise is critical to any successful plan. For multi-sector planning, exercises that encompass all relevant sectors are, therefore, essential. On August 23, 2017, a remarkable range of corporations, government agencies and NGOs on three continents are partnering together in a multi-sector exercise of unprecedented scale. Participation in EARTH EX is by invitation only. For more information, and to request registration, visit [EIScouncil.com/EARTHEX](http://EIScouncil.com/EARTHEX).

## **Eclipse Planning:**

Yes, we are still having a solar eclipse on August 21<sup>st</sup>. Karen Layng of Oregon Emergency Management stated yesterday in our monthly leadership meeting that many communities are not so much “planning” as “bracing” themselves for the onslaught of visitors to their small communities in Eastern Oregon and along the coast. With Oregon’s typically perfect weather in August, we have become a mecca for folks who want to experience the solar eclipse and then take in the sights and experiences of our region. With this many people coming to the state and the unequal planning that has been done by communities, there will certainly be a problem somewhere, and problems are our business. We will stand ready with Oregon Emergency Management to monitor the situation and respond as directed by our state partners. We will conduct a conference call towards the end of June to inform and plan for a potential response. I will send an announcement in the next week as we nail down a date and time for this meeting.

## **Mountain West Conference 2018:**

I am excited to announce Oregon VOAD will host the 2018 [Mountain West VOAD](#) Conference in April of 2018. We have begun to build a planning committee with Dean as the lead and includes Charlene Larsen, Wendy Colvin (*Wendy missed our leadership meeting but we added her onto the planning team anyway*), Laura Pascoe and Karen Layng. If you would like to participate in planning, please let Dean or Charlene know and we will add you to the group.

Conference planning will include a meeting space for 80-100 attendees (*I actually think we may need to plan for upwards of 125-150 attendees*), 3-4 breakout rooms, space to serve meals (lunch) and has a sound system and video presentation capabilities. I would love to provide a uniquely Oregon feel to the conference that highlights our State’s blend of urban and rural resources. We will settle on a city for the conference ASAP and then work towards planning a very Oregon centric experience for our attendees. We will keep all involved and informed and look forward to a fun and informative Mountain West Conference in April 2018.

## **Spotlight on Oregon and SW Washington COADs -**

- ✚ Clackamas County COAD –
  - Meets Quarterly on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday.
    - Clackamas Community College, 19600 Molalla Ave., Oregon City, OR
  - Contact [Jamie Hays](#) for more information
  
- ✚ Clark County COAD –
  - Meets bi-monthly on the 2<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday. Meetings in January, March, May, July, September and November.
  - Contact [Anthony Vendetti](#) for meeting dates and times (360) 992-6271
  
- ✚ Columbia County Emergency Planning Association
  - Meets on the first Tuesday of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

- Contact [Libby Calnon](#) for more information
- ✚ Douglas County COAD –
  - Monthly Community Meeting on the second Wednesday of each month at the UCAN (United Community Action Network) conference room.
    - 280 Kenneth Ford Dr., Roseburg, OR 97470
  - Contact [Reed Finlayson](#), Chair for more information
- ✚ Lane Preparedness Coalition–
  - Contact [Jill Hoyenga](#), Chair for more information
  - Website: [www.preparelane.org](http://www.preparelane.org)
- ✚ Lane County COAD –
  - Contact [Karen Edmonds](#), Secretary for more information
    - Next meeting, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 3-4:30 p.m. at Living Hope Church, 2801 W 18<sup>th</sup> Ave., Eugene, OR.
- ✚ Linn-Benton COAD –
  - Linn-Benton Counties are kicking off the formation of their COAD with two community meetings.
    - June 29<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 12 noon
      - Sunset Building, 4077 SW Research Way, Corvallis, OR
      - Large Conf. Room on 1<sup>st</sup> floor
  - Contact [Sarah Bates](#) or [Karen Truong](#) for more information
- ✚ Marion/Polk COAD –
  - Contact [Kathleen Silva](#), Marion County Emergency Management
  - Website: [www.marionpolkcoad.org](http://www.marionpolkcoad.org)

## **HEARTH Conference:**

Adam Creighton of InStove is proud to announce the 2017 **HEARTH Conference** in Cottage Grove, OR on August 17-20, 2017. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about InStove, its products and how the services of your organization can become more resilient through a close partnership with this product line.

Register now online at: [www.instove.org/hearth2017](http://www.instove.org/hearth2017)

We will be adding several new features this year: the Funder's panel will be on **Thursday**, August 17<sup>th</sup>, and the afternoon will feature a "Speed Meets with the Funders" workshop, which will allow nonprofit professionals to connect with foundations and learn whether their programs and strategies are aligned. We will also have capacity-building sessions on how to work with Rotary International, presentations by Oregon impact inventors with humanitarian technologies, a workshop on how to build rocket stoves, and of course, the latest lessons learned from the field in Household and Renewable Energy Technologies, from implementing to monitoring. **Friday**

will focus on building effective partnerships and how to design projects and attract the partners who can help take ideas to scale. **Saturday** focuses on the role of cook-stoves and other specific household and renewable energy technologies, and models for integrating them into development projects, at both the local level, and a policy level. **Sunday** features workshops, presentations, and technology demonstrations by Pacific Northwest nonprofits, impact inventors and social entrepreneurs. Additional breakouts will focus on the domestic role of renewable energy technologies in the emergency preparedness context.

We look forward to seeing you there and building the meaningful connections that will help us make an impact!

Warmest regards,

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### **Training Opportunities as Announced by OEM:**

This week's training opportunity list is a short one. Note: We are pushing hard to get participants in the highlighted trainings below because they could be end up getting cancelled if the minimum number of students is not reached soon.

Attached are the training announcements and any special registration forms for the following courses (*Italicized listings are new announcements*):

- July 11-13, 2017: MGT 346 Emergency Operations and Planning Course (Pendleton, OR)
- July 18-20, 2017: Maturing Public-Private Partnerships Workshop (Wilsonville, OR)
  - Primary course runs July 18-19, 2017. On July 20, 2017, there will be an additional case study workshop hosted by Ed Flick from Marion County on public-private partnership.
  - Registration: Use the attached "P3 Registration Form – Region X" form to register for this training.

Current Training Calendar on OEM Training Page:

<http://www.oregon.gov/oem/emresources/Pages/Training.aspx>

FEMA Region X Training calendar: <http://fema.mhsoftware.com/ViewNonBannerMonth.html>

*While Jim Adams is out of the office, please contact me ([karen.layng@state.or.us](mailto:karen.layng@state.or.us)) if you have any questions regarding training or need to send in your FEMA 119 forms for a specific course.*

## Trainings and Workshops:

### Current Happenings & Items for Consideration

- RDPO FY'17 UASI project update - the Steering Committee agreed on the set of pre-approved projects to include in the UASI FY'17 application. These 17 projects have a total value of \$2,361,630. The balance of the grant award, getting us to the total \$2,837,000, was allocated to staffing and other management and administration costs and contingency.
  - We anticipate OEM approval by the end of June; FEMA review over the summer and final approval to award the grant by September 2017
  - Spring 2018 - spending/implementation begins; grant cycle ends in May 2020
  - Please see *attached project summary* for details on all approved projects for the region
- REAL ID – Oregon is now considered non-compliant with the REAL ID requirements as they pertain to entering federal facilities that require a person to present identification. *Oregon driver's licenses will no longer be considered valid for entrance into federal facilities including FEMA training at Emmitsburg, Maryland. Please see attached bulletin for more information.*
- [The Waffle House Index](#) – an interesting read into how FEMA is monitoring the status of private companies in disaster as an indicator for where to place goods and services. What private companies here in the Pacific NW will be our index?
- The most recent Legislative Bill Tracker Report dated May 30, 2017 is attached – many bills related to emergency preparedness, seismic risk & improvements, and changes within OEM. For more information on each bill and committee meetings, go to [Workforce :: Your Government](#) . You may also go [here](#) to search for bills by subject/key word.
- Recovering from disasters: Social networks matter more than bottled water and batteries – an interesting read and interesting observations about the value of social ties in a community's recovery. [The Conversation.](#)
- *You Are the Help Until Help Arrives* – as part of America's PrepareAthon!, FEMA has created a new initiative dedicated to helping the public be prepared to respond, until help arrives, in the event of an emergency. For more information on the program and to download the course materials, go the program website at <https://community.fema.gov/until-help-arrives>.
- The OR Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) and the WA State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) have released a new guide to help homeowners identify and reduce landslide hazards around the home. The [pamphlet is available online](#) and click on the following links for more information about [Oregon landslides](#); and [Washington landslides](#).

## Events/Workshops

- 7/18, 7-9PM – OMSI Science Pub: Total Solar Eclipse. [OMSI Science Pub Calendar & Information](#)
- 7/24-7/25 - Pacific NW Disaster Resilience Symposium, Portland Marriott Downtown, \$195 for 8 plenary sessions, breakfast, lunches, and receptions. This symposium will provide attendees with the opportunity to interact face-to-face with elected officials and legislators participating in the PNW Economic Region Summit and increase awareness for important issues like Climate Change, Critical Infrastructure Interdependencies, Cybersecurity, and other key topics. [Register here.](#)
- 8/3, 7-9PM – OMSI Science Pub: Total Solar Eclipse. [OMSI Science Pub Calendar & Information](#)
- 8/14-8/18 – International Volcanoes Meeting in Portland, sponsored by IAVCEI (International Association for Volcanoes and Chemistry of Earth’s Interior). Oregon Convention Center, Portland. Special \$150 registration fee for emergency response, comms, and education professionals. [Click here for more information and registration.](#)
- 8/15 7-9pm - OMSI Science Pub: Volcanoes. [OMSI Science Pub Calendar & Information](#)
- 8/26-8/27 Southern Cascadia Earthquake Symposium, Medford, OR. “An educational event for OR and Far Northern California”. *Flyer attached.* For more information contact Larry Masterman, Medford EM Coordinator - [Larry.Masterman@cityofmedford.org](mailto:Larry.Masterman@cityofmedford.org)
- 6/25-6/29 (2018) - U.S. National Conference on Earthquake Engineering (NCEE), Los Angeles, CA. “Integrating Science, Engineering & Policy” – this conference will attract nearly 1000 earthquake professionals from the U.S. and around the world. The call for papers is posted [here](#), *flyer attached.*

## Training & Exercises (in order of training date)

- The Center for Homeland Defense & Security is now accepting applications for the Emergency Program – “a unique opportunity for homeland security/public safety professionals who are in the early stages of their career.” Full-time government employees of a local, state, federal, territorial, or tribal homeland security/public safety agency or a private sector employee with security/safety responsibilities are eligible to apply. Deadline for applications is July 28<sup>th</sup>. [Apply here.](#)
- EMI has released a new training bulletin for several position specific courses available for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester of FY2017. *Bulletin attached.*
- 6/21-6/22 – Local Mitigation Planning Workshop (G-318), The Dalles, OR. 2 day course, 8:30-4:30pm, tuition is free. *Flyer attached.*
- 6/27 Logistics Course, Portland ECC. Tuition is free. Register [here](#). (CANCELLED: 6/28 Logistics Chief’s Course)

- 7/31-8/3 – ICS Curricula Train-the-Trainer (L0449), Lynnwood, WA. 4 day course, 8:00-5:00pm, tuition is free. *Flyer attached.*
- 8/22 – Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Responder Training, Vancouver, WA, 0900-1300. Call or email Patty Best, WSP [patricia.best@wsp.wa.gov](mailto:patricia.best@wsp.wa.gov) to register. *Flyer attached.*
- 10/10 & 10/11 - Logistics Course (Day 1) and Logistics Chief's Course (Day 2), Portland ECC. Tuition is free. Register [here for Day 1](#) and [here for Day 2](#).
- 10/12 & 10/13 – Pediatric Disaster Response and Emergency Preparedness (MGT-439), Portland State Office Building, Portland, OR. Morning snack & lunch provided. [Go here for more information & to register.](#)
- Regional Training Calendars:
  - [OEM Training Calendar](#)
  - [RDPO Regional Training Calendar](#)
  - [Washington State EMD Training Calendar](#)
  - [FEMA Region X Training Calendar](#)
  - [FEMA Emergency Management Institute](#)

#### **Jobs/Internships (in order of closing date)**

- Business Continuity Coordinator, Fisher Investments, Camas, WA. Unknown closing date, [apply here](#).
- Northwest Healthcare Response Network (NWHRN) is seeking a Training & Exercise Coordinator for Western Washington. Position is based in Tukwila, WA. Send a cover letter and resume to: [hr@nwhrn.org](mailto:hr@nwhrn.org) with the subject line: T&E Coordinator. *Closes June 14<sup>th</sup>. Flyer attached.*
- The Oregon Health Authority AmeriCorps VISTA Partnership Project is starting recruitment for placements on the Fall 2017-2018 team. There are [over 21 open positions around the state! Apply here.](#) Apply as soon as possible, *positions must be filled no later than July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017.*
- American Red Cross Portland is seeking a Disaster Workforce Engagement Manager responsible for leading and managing a primarily volunteer team to support and provide disaster workforce engagement in the Cascades Region (OR & SW WA). *Open until filled. [Apply here.](#)*
- Emergency Services Manager, Josephine County, OR. *Open until filled. [Apply here.](#) Flyer attached.*
- Wildland Fire Suppression Specialist, multiple locations. The Oregon Military Department hires seasonal Wildland Firefighters each year, typically from June-September. For more information and to apply, go [here](#). *Open until further notice, may close anytime.*

- University of Oregon Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Eugene, OR. *Open until filled.* [Apply Here](#)