
Oklahoma Emergency Management Conference



August 11 – 15, 2019

Embassy Suites Hotel & Conference Center
2501 Conference Drive, Norman, Oklahoma



TRAINING DAY AGENDA

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 & MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2019

Sunday & Monday

- **ICS 300 Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents**
(University A)
Sunday & Monday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Chuck Kerns, OEM & Kary Cox, Bartlesville/Washington County Emergency Management Director
- **G.235 Emergency Planning**
(University B)
Sunday & Monday – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Jackie Wright, Professor, Emergency Management, Rose State College
- **G.271 Hazardous Weather & Flood Preparedness**
(National Weather Center)
Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.,
Monday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Rick Smith, NWS Norman Forecast Office
- **GIS Considerations in Emergency Preparedness, Response, Recovery & Mitigation**
(Sooner) 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Annie Vest, Meshek & Associates, LLC
- **Building Tribal Partnerships**
(Room G) 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Rachel Nutter, Choctaw Nation Emergency Management
- **The Stafford Act & More!**
(Room H) 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Don Lynch, Shawnee/Pottawatomie County Emergency Management & Paula Cain, Ponca City Emergency Management
- **OK-First Refresher**
(National Weather Center) 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
James Hocker, OK-First

Monday

- **Leadership Symposium**
(University C) 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Conducted by the Center for Homeland Defense and Security
- **EM Grants & WebEOC**
(Boomer) 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Zach Stanford & Brianna Thomas, OEM

4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Registration & Check-in

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

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10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION UNIVERSITY BALLROOM

8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Registration & Check-in

10:00 a.m.

Opening, Presentation of the Colors, National Anthem, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

10:10 – 10:15 a.m.

Welcome & Introductions

Rob Hill, President, OEMA, Director, Stillwater Emergency Management; Mark Gower, Director, Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management

10:15 – 10:35 a.m.

Keynote: Secretary of Public Safety & Security Chip Keating

10:35 – 10:55 a.m.

FEMA Region 6 Update

Tony Robinson, Regional Administrator

10:55 – 11:20 a.m.

Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management Update

Mark Gower, Director

11:20 – 11:55 a.m.

Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security Update

Kim Carter, Director

11:55 a.m. – Noon

Announcements

Noon – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

Training Awards; Community Preparedness Award

(Oklahoma Ballroom)

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1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

BREAKOUTS:

Flood Risk Reduction from 1970 to the Flood of 2019

(Room G)

- Gary McCormick, PE, DFM, Senior Special Projects Engineer, City of Tulsa
- Janet Meshek, PE, CFM, SR/WA, Manager/Principal Engineer Meshek & Associates, LLC

This session will give emergency managers an overview of actions they can take to identify and reduce flood risk in their community. Representatives from the City of Tulsa will discuss successful flood mitigation planning and project identification, and describe how the Tulsa Emergency Operations Center utilized this information during the 2019 Flood event. Session participants will leave with a better understanding of infrastructure projects that may be eligible for Hazard Mitigation Assistance funds, and how Master Drainage Planning can assist with project identification and scoping. Participants will be better prepared for future funding cycles of Pre-Disaster Mitigation and Flood Mitigation Assistance, and the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Note, this is not an overview session of the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Programs.

Youth Preparedness Camps

(Room H)

Andi Smith, Northeastern State University

This session will cover the inaugural OK Youth Preparedness Camp that was held at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah. It will provide a brief overview of the camp and schedule, which includes student responses. Speaker will also discuss the positive and negative factors that the committee learned before/during the camp planning process. Then discuss future plans for upcoming camps.

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Working with Voluntary Agencies

(Room I)

- Steve Moran, Oklahoma VOAD & Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma
- Laurie Fried, Salvation Army
- Kaylinn Mayfield, Catholic Charities

A discussion of how Oklahoma Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (Oklahoma VOAD) works as a nonprofit, nonpartisan, membership-based organization to bring together voluntary organizations active in disaster services in an effort to foster more effective response to the people of Oklahoma in time of disaster. From donations and volunteer management to setting up Multi-Agency Resource Center and more, Oklahoma VOAD works to ensure collaboration, coordination, cooperation and communication among members and partners to better serve the needs of the disaster survivors within impacted communities.

Social Capital Development in Emergency Management Programs

(Room J)

TJ Menzer, Edmond Emergency Management

This session will include a brief description of social capital and how it works in society. This will be followed by a discussion on how emergency managers might leverage social capital in order to improve their emergency operations. Strategies will be given for building social capital as well as leveraging existing hubs of social capital within the community. Research-based literature from the public and private sectors will be used to support claims for the success of existing social capital programs.

Konawa School Bus Accident, Discussion, Readiness & Response

(Sooner)

Cory Ellis, Konawa Public Schools Superintendent

Are school officials really ready in the event of a tragedy? Why training in ICS could prepare school administrators for the events much like that of the night of March 8th, 2019, an after action discussion.

Coordinating Emergency Alerts for Evacuations

(Boomer)

- Steve Piltz, Tulsa NWS
- Heath Underwood, Wagoner County Emergency Management
- Zach Stanford, OEM
- Daniel Piltz, OEM

How the National Weather Service can disseminate urgent messages generated by emergency managers.

2:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Break

(Exhibit Hall)

2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

EMPG Meeting

(University Ballroom)

4:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Meeting Rooms Available

(Rooms G, H, I, J, and Sooner)

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Public Assistance Applicant Briefing

(University Ballroom)

6:00 p.m.

Cookout

This cookout is a networking and casual dinner opportunity for Emergency Managers. This event will allow individuals the opportunity to decompress and socialize with colleagues and friends. We have planned this event for approximately 200 persons. When the food is gone, it's gone. Everyone is welcome to attend and encouraged to share in the efforts of the Craig County Emergency Management staff's skills behind a smoker. This event will begin at 6 pm in the hotel dining room area. See you there!

Wednesday, August 14, 2019

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8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION UNIVERSITY BALLROOM

8:00 – 8:30 a.m.

Registration & Check-in

8:30 – 8:35 a.m.

Opening & Announcements

8:35 – 9:20 a.m.

Marijuana Manufacturing Challenges for Local Jurisdictions

Sam Shafnitt, Interim state Fire Marshal

Safety and survival for the first responder when dealing with or responding to Marijuana facilities. Grow, Extraction, Processing and retail marijuana operations.

9:20 – 10:05 a.m.

Quasi-Linear Convective Systems (QLCS) Severe Thunderstorm & Tornadoic Events

Vivek Mahale, NWS Norman

The presentation provides an overview of quasi-linear convective systems (QLCSs), their primary hazards (i.e., damaging wind gusts and tornadoes), and warning-decision making practices.

10:05 – 10:10 a.m.

Announcements

10:10– 10:30 a.m.

Break

(Exhibit Hall)

10:30 – 11:55 a.m.

Moment of Truth: The Nature of Catastrophes & How to Prepare for Them

Kelly McKinney, New York City Office of Emergency Management

Who is this fierce emergency manager?

Our ultra-modern society is on a collision course with a range of man-made, natural, and technological hazards, from terror attacks to climate change.

When the crisis comes, emergency management is what we do to create order out of chaos. People rely on us to pick up the pieces and put the world back together again; to reestablish lost connections and communicate the pathway back to order. It is not an exaggeration to say that emergency managers are essential to our survival as a species. For us to survive as a profession, we must evolve as well.

Our society — our states and our organizations — need us to be fit...not only for the black swan, but for those everyday disasters, of every size and type. So there can be no timidity in a disaster. We own it, so we must be fierce. Everybody always wants us to be nice. But that's in the normal world. In the normal world, everybody loves the nice emergency manager. But in the parallel universe that is the disaster, they need the fierce one.

11:55 a.m. – Noon

Announcements

Noon – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

Tribal Youth Camp

James LeClair, Otoe-Missouria Tribe Emergency Management

Community Preparedness Award

1:00 – 1:45 p.m.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Flood Release

Dr. David Williams, USACE

This presentation will be about the USACE role in managing the spring 2019 flood, with particular emphasis on Tulsa and his role in the Tulsa EOC.

1:45 – 2:30 p.m.

2019 Flood Overview

- Nicole McGavock, NWS Tulsa
- Steve Kruckenberg, NWS Norman

This presentation will discuss the storm systems, rainfall, and hydrologic conditions that caused widespread major and record flooding across eastern Oklahoma and west central Arkansas from April 30 through May 30, 2019.

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2:30 – 3:00 p.m.

New Donations Management Structure

- Steve Moran, Oklahoma VOAD & Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma
- Luke Pratt, OEM

In an effort to provide additional support and stability to the community based voluntary agencies distributing donated goods during a disaster response, the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management and Oklahoma Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (Oklahoma VOAD) established a Memorandum of Understanding to enable OKVOAD member organizations to provide leadership for community-based volunteers to coordinate the flow of undesignated goods.

This session discusses this agreement and how it was implemented and has played out during recent events as Oklahoma VOAD member organizations provided coordination and management of multi-agency warehouse locations by supervising local volunteers in receiving, inventorying, sorting, packing, and shipping donated goods for use by local organizations operating a distribution program.

3:00 – 3:05 p.m.

Announcements

3:05 – 3:30 p.m.

Break

Exhibit Hall

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3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

BREAKOUTS:

Grants Portal & PA Documentation Requirements

(Room G)

- Traci Brasher, FEMA
- Jeremy Collins, FEMA
- Mike Teague, OEM

Presentation will address Grants Portal requirements and FEMA documentation requirements.

Dam Safety & Floodplain Management

(Room H)

Yohanes Sugeng, Oklahoma Water Resources Board

The state of Oklahoma regulates more than 4700 dams and has more than 400 communities participate in the NFIP. The presentation will discuss the relationship between dam safety, floodplain management, and emergency management.

Cybersecurity & Emergency Management

(Room I)

- Mark Gower, Director, OEM
- Laquetta Russell, OEM

This session will be an introduction to “Integrating Cybersecurity into Emergency Management and the role of the State Cybersecurity Advisor.”

Oklahoma State Department of Education’s Office of School Safety & Security: OK CARES — Oklahoma Crisis & Readiness Emergency Support

(Room J)

Cindy Swearingen, Specialist, Oklahoma State Department of Education Office of School Safety & Security

An overview of how the Oklahoma State Department of Education’s new Office of School Safety and Security is partnering with local rural school districts to develop a culture of preparedness to include: enhancing and updating local school district emergency operations plans; providing training in the incident command system; encouraging memorandums of understanding with local responders; and, developing school safety professionals through micro-credentialing.

Wednesday, August 14, 2019

What Every Emergency Manager Should Know About Radio Systems in Oklahoma

(Sooner)

OEMA Communications Committee

Panel discussion describing the basics of the many and varied public safety radio systems in use throughout our State. This will include the types of systems, current status of them (as many are in the progress of being updated), future plans for some of the systems, and how best to interoperate with them.

1DA - Damage Assessment Process for IA & PA

(Boomer)

- Luke Pratt, OEM
- Chance MacNeill, OEM
- Zach Stanford, OEM

Success and challenges from the development, deployment, and utilization of 1DA for DR-4438, DR-4453, and non-declared events. Next steps for improving deployment and use, developing policy and processes moving forward, and lessons learned for training and program design.

5 - 6 p.m.

Meeting Rooms Available

(Rooms G, H, I, & J)

6:00 p.m.

Offsite Awards Banquet

Norman Armed Forces Reserve Center

Thursday, August 15, 2019

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8:30 a.m. – Noon GENERAL SESSION UNIVERSITY BALLROOM

8:30 – 8:35 a.m.

Opening & Announcements

8:35 – 10:05 a.m.

2019 Flooding and Severe Weather Event Panel

- Joseph Kralicek, Tulsa Area Emergency Management
- Jeff Smith, Muskogee County Emergency Management
- Tyler Evans, City of Muskogee Emergency Management
- Heath Underwood, Wagoner County Emergency Management
- Cherokee Nation Emergency Management, TBD
- Allison Whatsitt, OEM

10:05 – 10:10 a.m.

Announcements

10:10 – 10:30 a.m.

Break

(Exhibit Hall)

10:30 a.m. – Noon

OEMA Annual Business Meeting & Door Prizes

Noon

Conference Adjourns