

Glenn County Emergency Medical Care Council

MINUTES

MARCH 8, 2023

10-11:30AM

NOVA CONFERENCE ROOM

MEETING CALLED BY	Amy Travis GCSO - OES
NOTE TAKER	Amy Travis GCSO - OES
ATTENDEES	Alyssa Cordova (APCP/CUPA), Amy Travis (GCSO-OES), Rocio Gonzalez (GC CAD), Scott Studebaker (Westside Ambulance), Dan James (HCFPD), Rev. Philip Zabell (Amateur Radio Society), Nathan Monck (Willows Fire), Joe Vlach (Orland PD), Justin Chaney (Orland Fire), Keith Kuperman (American Red Cross), Hilary Crosby (VOAD), Melinda Arendt (HHSA -APS), Olivia Reike (VOAD), Aaron Wright (State Parks LE), Ryan Bentz (GCOE), Dulce Perez-Palomares (DA Victim Witness), Devyn Vondrack (Home Health), Talia Richardson (GC Public Works), Amy Stultz (NVIH), John Poland SSV-EMS

Agenda topics

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

DISCUSSION	Amy Travis called the meeting to order	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Amy Travis welcomed everyone.Introductions were made.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

OLD BUSINESS

DISCUSSION	Review of the Minutes – No suggested revisions.	
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ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Winter Storms: Amy discussed the January 2023 storms – Federal and State recovery funding. Applications due March 15th. County application includes at least 20 roads and bridges, debris removal, and emergency response costs. Still waiting for FHWA determination on emergency work authorization for CR 306 Salt Creek bridge. Engineering moving forward for this site's repair.Incoming storms: The groups discussed the storms coming into the region in March. Response posture was discussed including the local fire preposition team funded by Cal-OES Fire Branch. Discussion included river forecast, weather forecast, sandbag locations, Hambright Creek, and Public Works preparedness with signage prepositioning and debris removal. OES and Public Works monitoring the storms and are prepared for response activation.	
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None		

AGENCY REPORTS

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BOS: Not present.EMS and LEMSA:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><u>Westside Ambulance</u><ul style="list-style-type: none">Compiling reports and researching the cost to expand ambulance services to report to the County Ambulance Committee. 12-hour ambulance will cost \$611,000/year. This is the expense	
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and does not account for the revenue it would generate. Westside would also need to purchase an additional ambulance vehicle at an approximate cost of \$246,000 plus a monitor at \$100,000. Widespread paramedic staffing shortages. Westside currently exploring staffing with paramedic and EMT option, should the funding for expansion be made available and if they decide to expand.

John Poland – SSV EMS: See attachment for details. Statewide EMS data system transition from ICEMA to EMSA is complete. Emergency Orders for COVID have ended. Peer review advisory committee was established to provide field level feedback on policies and procedures. Trauma Protocol and Burn Treatment Protocol update will be released June 2023. Regional Training Module updates will be released in April. Butte Ambulance RFP was re-released with a due date of April 12, 2023. Colusa County is also drafting an ambulance RFP with the goal of increasing ambulance service to the County. RDMHS program update – John Poland: CDPH EPTW workshop is taking place in Sacramento March 22-24, 2023. First Receiver Decontamination training scheduled in Glenn May 16th. Region III Chemical Plan is under review. This Plan will incorporate and replace the current regional Chempack Plan. Region III Radiation Plan is under development, with a final due to the Federal HPP program by June 2023. Region III Surge Exercise is scheduled for May 10th. Amy reported Glenn County Public Health is coordinating with GMC and CMC on the local element of the exercise.

○ **Fire**

Nate Monck, Dan James, Justin Cheney: Red Mountain fire repeater is operable. Fire is adding a 100 foot tower under Orland Fire department repeater project. Fire received a Fire Safe Council grant and will be hiring a Fire Coordinator. Interviews are complete and the Fire Chiefs will vote tonight on the applicant. Cal-OES Fire Branch is funding local fire departments to preposition a team for storm response. This team will include an engine from Orland, Willows, Glenn Codora, and Elk Creek Fire. The team will monitor and report problem areas such as FH7 and Hambright Creek. Chief James stated that DWR has muscle wall prepositioned in Hamilton City for short term levee repairs. It can be requested through local OES to DWR FOC.

○ **OES/Law**

Joe Vlach, Orland PD – Red Mountain repeater down for law. Silke Communications is assessing the issue with the Site owner.

Aaron Wright, State Parks – State Parks has 6 working boats in the region. 1 is stationed at the lake for coverage. The ramp at Irvine Finch has been repaired. State Parks has hired a new medical director.

Amy Travis, GCSO-OES

- **Drought** – EOC/MAC group meeting monthly again. Working on policy updates. Next Taskforce meeting is tentatively scheduled for April. Date to be released soon.
- **Staffing changes**: Lt. Corbin and Lt. Deck assignments. Lt. Corbin – Administration including GLNTIF, Civil, ACS, Dispatch, Volunteers. Lt. Deck – Jail Commander and Courts. Sgt. Holly supervising Operations (patrol).
- Additional Sheriff Office staff being trained for OES functions. Added dispatch supervisor to alert and warning.
- **Grants update**: HSGP FY 20 is being extended by 1 year to 5/2024. FY21 revision is stuck with DHS and cannot be further modified until returned to Cal-OES (*received approval shortly after this meeting*). FY22 is approved. FY23 initial is submitted.
- EMPG ARPA 21 – a few purchases left including GIS equipment, laptop, radios
- HF radios – sole source procurement granted. Awaiting contract development.
- **Dispatch update**: New console needed to operate fire frequencies. Funding approved by BOS 2/21 but Federal ARPA funds have been allocated as of 3/7. This will require GCSO to complete a contract amendment with Silke to incorporate Federal funding requirements. This contract amendment will go back to BOS on April 4th. Purchase, order and install will take about 6 weeks.
- Fire dispatch SOGs received and reviewed by our team. Amy is revising to meet the needs of GCSO dispatch and will return to Fire with changes.

○ **HHSA**

- HHSA EP: Amy provided a short update. Region III Medical Response Surge Exercise is May 10, 2023, and we are working with CMC, GMC, and Colusa PH for the local portion. This exercise will evaluate Region III pediatric, burn, chemical and radiation surge annexes.
- May 16 – FRA Decontamination training at GMC

- End of the COVID-19 Emergency Response on February 28, 2023.

Updated COVID Guidance:

[Guidance for Face Coverings \(ca.gov\)](#)

[Guidance on Isolation and Quarantine for COVID-19 \(ca.gov\)](#)

Rescinded State Public Health Officer Orders:

[Order of the State Public Health Officer Health Care Worker Vaccine Requirement](#)

[Order of the State Public Health Officer Correctional Facilities and Detention Centers Health Care Worker Vaccination Order](#)

[Order of the State Public Health Officer Adult Care Facilities and Direct Care Worker Vaccine Requirement](#)

[Order of the State Public Health Officer Requirement that COVID-19 immunization providers request patients' email addresses and mobile phone numbers for the State's Immunization Registry \(ca.gov\)](#)

[Order of the State Public Health Officer Hospital and Health Care System Surge](#)

Updated and continued State Public Health Officer Order:

[Order of the State Public Health Officer Beyond Blueprint \(ca.gov\)](#)

Continued State Public Health Officer Order (no updates):

[Order of the State Public Health Officer: Revision of Mandatory Reporting of Covid-19 Results by Health Care Providers](#)

- Rocio Gonzalez: CAD will be hosting an ambulance committee meeting on 5/10/23, lunch provided.
- **Healthcare Facilities**
 - No report.
- **CUPA/Air Pollution**

Alyssa Cordova, CUPA – Discussion on Nutrien's storage of UN-32. No longer planning to use the storage tank nearest to town. CUPA completed a recent inspection of the site. GCSO reps have a site visit scheduled. Maverick has completed the installation of their large tanks but they have not filled them yet.
- **GCOE**

Ryan Bentz, GCOE – Discussed storm related closures and late starts for past few winter storms in Elk Creek area. AB-19 will require all schools to have Narcan on hand for overdoses.
- **Community Based Organizations/Other County Agencies:**

Keith Kuperman, American Red Cross – Level 2 activation for storms. Virtual assistance available for victims of house fires or evacuees in need of assistance when law or fire officials can confirm identity. Conducting volunteer recruitment including updated flyer with QR code. ARC may utilize Orland Fairgrounds once again as a regional staging site of equipment for fire season.

Philip Zabell, Amateur Radio Association – Neighborhood radio watch to be established in Glenn County. This will provide general mobile radio service as a backup when cell towers are unavailable.

Hilary Crosby, Butte-Glenn VOAD - Introduced new intern. Reported on coordinated food and necessities deliveries to residents isolated due to snow in Butte County.

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None.		

UPCOMING TRAININGS AND EVENTS

DISCUSSION	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Region III Medical Response Surge Exercise is May 10, 2023 (Hospitals/Public Health) Contact Mary Thomas for information. ○ First Receiver Decontamination Training – May 16, 2023 at Glenn Medical Center. Contact Mary Thomas for information. ○ Crisis Intervention Training – Assisting Individuals in Crisis May 8 & 9, 2023. Register at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/crisis-intervention-training-assisting-individuals-in-crisis-tickets-586255595267 ○ Group Crisis Intervention Training June 5 & 6, 2023. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/crisis-intervention-training-group-crisis-intervention-tickets-586264873017 <p>Both Crisis Intervention trainings are free and will be held at GCOE Success Square 131 E Walker Street Orland. Contact Stephanie Rust at HHSA – Behavioral Health for information. rust@countyofglenn.net</p>

Next Meeting: June 14, 2023, at 1000 hrs., EOC, 127 E. Walker, Orland - HHSA/NOVA Upstairs Conference Room