



Lake County Emergency Services Council

Date: *Wednesday, 27 January 2021*

Time: 10:00-11:30

Location: Join Zoom Meeting –

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Purpose Statement: The purpose of the *Lake County Emergency Services Council [ESC]* is to provide a forum for cooperation, communication, and coordination among the entities providing emergency services to the citizens and visitors of Lake County and the City of Leadville, Colorado. The Council shall advise, inform and give recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners of Lake County and the City of Leadville on emergency services issues. The recommendations may result in BOCC resolutions, regulations, policies or procedures for Lake County.

The ESC also serves as the *Local Emergency Planning Committee [LEPC]* for Lake County and the City of Leadville.

AGENDA

- I. **Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions (Chair):** 10:00
- II. **Announcements and agenda changes (Chair):** 10:05
 - a) Public Comments
- III. **Open Reports:** 10:10-10:40
- IV. **Standing Reports:** 10:40

Local Emergency Services

- a) Lake County Public Health Agency (Colleen Nielsen)
 - i) Vaccination phases continuing
 - ii) Lake County has administered 732 first doses
 - iii) Contact tracing continues with the positivity rate between 5-10%
 - iv) Our incidence rate continues to outpace the state average
- b) Leadville Police Department (Chief Saige Bertolas)
 - i) Hired another officer
 - ii) 3 new explorers, 2 new tauruses, with 2 more explorers expecting delivery in March
- c) Lake County Sheriff Office (Sheriff Amy Reyes)



- i) Hired new undersheriff
- d) Search and Rescue ESF9 (Anita Mason \ Brena Smith)
 - i) Few rescues so far this winter
 - ii) Training ongoing with many members attending various avalanche courses through the CMC
- e) Leadville/Lake County Fire and Rescue (Chief Dan Dailey \ Fire Marshal Steve Boyle)
 - i) Forest restoration grant program for mitigation.
 - ii) SAFER grant ended Dec 2 and working to close out. Commissioners approved engineering for station 2.
 - iii) 5 Personnel were able to recertify on HAZMAT.
 - iv) CMC and LLCFR working together for training needs.
 - v) Training Facility going through CUP process. Hope to break ground in April
- f) St. Vincent Hospital (Jeremiah Grantham \ Brett Antczak \ Corbin Logan)
 - i) Rotating supplies in the emergency trailer. Found a new vehicle to tow the trailer and purchased a side by side
 - ii) Windows being installed at the new hospital along with drywall and water heaters
 - iii) Due to COVID delays, new hospital is set to open mid April-May timeframe
 - iv) Looking to attain Level 4 Trauma Cert
 - v) Biggest year ever for ambulance with 1011 total calls
 - vi) Working to setup critical care program to allow for transporting critical care patients instead of air services
- g) Lake County Public Works (Michael Irwin \ Mabel Bogeart)
 - i) Helping city with snow removal
 - ii) Elks Lodge attained grant for 1st responder PPE
- h) Lake County Office of Emergency Management (Cailee Hamm)
 - i) Continuing support of LCPHA
 - ii) Ongoing coverage of PIO duties
 - iii) DTRS RFP being approved soon
 - iv) **Please respond to COOP 1:1 sessions**

Local, State, and Federal Emergency Services Partners

1. Policy Group \ Elected Officials

- a) City of Leadville
 - i) NA
- b) Board of County Commissioners
 - i) New Commissioner, Jeff Fiedler, has been seated

2. Public Safety & Security [Emergency Support Function (ESF) 13]

- a) SWAT (John Stewart)
 - i) N/A
- b) Colorado State Patrol (Capt Jared Rapp \ Trooper Raynor Bourlet)
 - i) Low staffing, but expecting new recruits mid summer
 - ii) Jessica.bruce@state.co.us
- c) Colorado Department of Corrections (TBD)
 - i) N/A



3. Wildland, Structural Fire and HazMat [ESF4, 10]

- a) USFS, Leadville Ranger District (Phil Strehle \ Lisa Corbin \ Pat Mercer)
 - i) Please be cautious on ice in twin lakes. Lost a few quads already this winter.
 - ii) Vegetation management project starting south of twin lakes
 - iii) Reach out to Lisa Corbin for more information
- b) USFS, Wildfire Report (Chris Naccarato \ Nick Ostrom)
 - i) Wrapping up the burning of Turquoise slash piles
 - ii) Hiring fuels module lead
 - iii) training for upcoming season
 - iv) 86% Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) Severe to Extreme drought across the zone
 - v) La Nina in effect until possibly early summer
 - vi) High volume of traffic at campgrounds this summer is expected to continue this year
- c) Colorado State Forest Service (TBD)
 - i) N/A
- d) Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control (Brenda Wasielewski)
 - i) Wildfire stimulus package in front of state legislature
 - ii) 3 temporary positions have now become full time positions

4. Emergency Management [ESF5]

- a) CO Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management (Mike McHargue, CR RFM)
 - i) Expecting a noticeable uptick of vaccine availability come March
 - ii) Lake County has requested resources for a large scale POD (Education Point of Dispensing)
 - (1) 2 admin staff
 - (2) 5 vaccinators

5. Public Health, Human Services & Medical Services [ESF8a, b, c, d, EFS6]

- a) Rocky Mountain Family Practice (Dr. Lisa Zwerdinger **as required**)
 - i) N/A
- b) Central Mountains RETAC (Sarah Weatherred)
 - i) N/A
- c) Lake County Department of Human Services (Janeen McGee)
 - i) Still operating by appointment
 - ii) Case loads continue to be higher than normal. One position open
- d) Solvista (Mandy K./ Mandy T.)
 - i) Attained Colorado Spirit Program(?) grant
 - ii) Concerned about suicide rates. Searching for help works so spread the word
- e) American Red Cross (Sally Broomfield \ Cori Tanner \ Chris Brassler)
 - i) Pillowcase Project ongoing
 - ii) All interactions continue to be virtual
 - iii) Please call for every event, regardless if needs are not immediate
 - iv) Continuing smoke detector installs
- f) Lake County Advocates (Jenny Abbott)
 - i) N/A
- g) Lake County Coroner (Shannon Kent **as required**)
 - i) N/A



6. Communications [ESF2]

- a) Dispatch Supervisor (Sarah Keenan)
 - i) Please send updated contact information to Sarah (new rosters/callsigns)
 - ii) If you feel you should be on call down lists, reach out to Sarah
- b) E911 Board (Capt. John Ortiz)
 - i) New grants for dispatch
 - ii) Continuing weekly meetings to improve communication and dispatch calls
- c) Governor's Office of Information Technology [GOIT] (Brian Foltz)
 - i) N/A
- d) Communications Solutions (Doug LaRoy)
 - i) SAFER grant for Lake County School District
 - ii) Upcoming leadership orientation session that outside agencies should also attend (March/April timeframe)

7. External\ Media Affairs\ ESF15 Lead PIO

- a) N/A

Private, Non-Governmental Organizations, and Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)

- b) Arkansas River Watershed Collaborative (Andy Lerch)
- c) Build a Generation (Katie Baldassar)
 - i) Unmet Needs Committee continues to work with COVID-19 Eviction Defense Project
 - ii) 120 active volunteers working 68 recurring volunteer opportunities, as well as assisting with one-off opportunities
 - iii) If an organization needs volunteers, please reach out to Kristi the week before the event.
 - iv) The volunteer email is sent out on Wednesday for next week's opportunities.
 - v) St. George continues to provide 2 free food pantries a week, Food Bank of the Rockies Mobile distribution monthly, and free hot lunch (Community Meals) 4 days a week. Food Box deliver program for households that are in quarantine, isolation, homebound, or no transportation.
 - vi) DHS and USDA have approved a 2nd round of P-EBT for the 2021 school year.
- d) Climax Mine/Freeport McMoRan (P. Michael Rodriguez)
 - i) Still operating with decreased personnel
 - ii) Have been asked to increase production
- e) Colorado Mountain College (Amy Smallwood\Jonathan Burk)
 - i) 18 students enrolled in the EMT course
 - ii) Thank you for the tours of dispatch, firehouse, EOC, etc.
- f) Colorado Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster
 - i) N/A



- g) Faith-based\Spiritual Care (Amy Peters\Jason Horning)
 - i) N/A
- h) Full Circle
 - i) N/A
- i) Friends of Twin Lakes (Kelly Sweeney)
 - i) Members need to renew CPR/AED training. Reach out for joint training, please.
 - ii) Continuing to raise money for Firestation 2.
 - iii) Replacing AED batteries. Please reach out with grant or funding ideas.
 - iv) Searching for grants for the Hotel due to roof/asbestos/damage
 - v) CARES funding cannot be used for Verizon repeaters in the county, but continuing to pursue
- j) Lake County Community Fund (John McMurtry)
 - i) N/A
- k) Lake County School District (Bunny Taylor)
 - i) Lake County Elementary School - official name
 - ii) Appointed 2 new board members
- l) Mt Elbert Power Plant (Chris Longaker)
 - i) Running one unit, with the other needing lengthy repairs
 - ii) Requesting site visit with EMS, Fire, and Sheriff's Office
- m) Parkville Water District (Greg Teter\Cody Hall)
 - i) N/A
- n) Tourism Panel (Colleen Schweigert)
 - i) N/A



V. Meeting Adjourn

VI. "Like" the Office of Emergency Management on Facebook and Twitter and receive daily updates and "real-time" disaster information:

- a) <https://www.facebook.com/LCOEM>
- b) <http://twitter.com/#!/LakeCountyOEM>
- c) Visit us on the new OEM website: <https://www.lakecountyoem.org/>
- d) Register today for Lake County Emergency **Alerts**:
<http://tinyurl.com/LakeCountyEmergencyAlerts>

Next Meeting Date: 24 March 2021