



Emergency Management Bi-Annual Update

Office of Emergency Services

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Agenda



- What is emergency management?
- Strategic Planning
- Highlights
- Lines of Operation
 - Planning
 - Operations
 - Outreach
 - Training and Exercises
- Challenges
- Way ahead

What is emergency management?



1. Supporting function that facilitates information flow, resource management, and capacity building for emergencies.
2. Who 911 calls when they need help.
3. Varies based on capability of the supported organization.

Strategic Plan



- *Directly* supports **priority #3** and *indirectly* supports **priority #1** of the County Strategic Plan
- **Increased Intergovernmental Cooperation (P3)**
 - Coordinating amongst stakeholders
 - Unified planning and response
 - Expanded services through grants and leveraging technology in the county inventory
- **Economic Development Countywide (P1)**
 - Investor piece of mind
 - Coordination of expanding local services

Strategic Plan - OES



- **Vision:** The vision for emergency management in Cochise County is for all emergency service lines to be integrated, achieve unity of effort, and maintain the industry standard for their respective function.
- **Strategies:**
 1. Communication / Information Management
 2. Task Organization
 3. Institutionalized Processes

6 Month Highlights



- **Incident Support – (21)**
 - Wildcat Fire (Bisbee)
 - Winter Storm (Countywide)
- **Exercises**
 - Command and Control Functional Exercise
- **Community Engagement**
 - CERT Operationalizing
 - Community Groups
- **Health Department Integration**
 - Strategic plan alignment
 - Vulnerable populations planning

Lines of Operation



- **Planning**

- Expanded scope of LEPC
- Specialty resource concepts of employment
- Draft evacuation plan

- **Operations**

- COP and info sharing tools
- Grant funding for specialty resource caches
- Resource database and updates

Lines of Operation



- **Outreach**

- Community events with J6 Mescal, Bisbee Firewise, and Portal Firewise
- Grant information seminars
- CERT organization (Preparedness and Incident Support Divisions)

- **Training / Exercises**

- Multi-Year Training Plan
- Specialty training courses
- Command and Control Exercises

Challenges



- **Reaching Stakeholders**
 - Personal interactions
 - Overcoming silos and fiefdom building
- **Plan Reviews**
 - Base plan
 - Buy in of the planning process
- **Community Outreach**
 - Promoting grass roots organization
 - Trust and directing the public to reliable info sources
 - Making appearances and providing resources

The Way Ahead



- **Refining Internal SOGs**
 - Division of labor
 - Documenting processes
- **Plan Reviews**
 - High frequency / high consequence
 - Evacuations, notifications, sheltering support
 - Hazard vulnerability assessment
- **Communications**
 - Strategic communications plan
 - Grant funding for identified gaps



Questions/Comments