

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS **Staff Presentation Worksheet**

Presentation Date: September 21, 2010 Time: 3:00 pm Length: 15 Minutes

Presentation Title: Vulnerable Populations Emergency Planning

Department: Emergency Management & Health, Housing and Human Services

Presenters: Dana Robinson, Teri Beemer and Nancy Bush

POLICY QUESTION: Clackamas County Emergency Management (CCEM) and Health, Housing and Human Services (H3S) Departments are currently working to complete a vulnerable populations all-hazard planning document. No policy question is expected at this time except to consider the path of the Vulnerable Populations Emergency Planning Committee and the document it is developing and approve the overall direction.

ISSUE & BACKGROUND: Experiences from recent emergencies, such as Hurricane Katrina and Rita and California wildfires, have shown that current emergency preparedness plans addressing vulnerable populations are inadequate. During these events, a substantial number of individuals with special needs did not receive appropriate warning, were unable to access shelters and went without medical intervention. In order to address this issue in Clackamas County CCEM and H3S have joined forces to develop an emergency all-hazards plan for vulnerable populations. This process includes a process that includes a variety of stakeholders such as community organizations, transportation, fire and law enforcement agencies, and housing officials.

The standard operating procedures (SOP), which will provide detail to the Annex, will include the following proposed content:

- Sheltering / Sheltering in Place
- Evacuation
- Transportation
- Communication planning (before and after events)
- Document Maintenance Schedule (exercise and update responsibilities)

QUESTION(S) PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION: The BCC is being asked to consider the proposed content of the SOP and provide approval to the content and process of the vulnerable populations planning effort.

OPTIONS AVAILABLE: Option 1) Approve the current proposed content and process of the vulnerable populations planning process. 2) Do not approve the current proposed content and process so that CCEM and H3S may take new direction as needed.

RECOMMENDATIONS

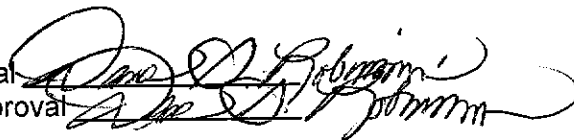
Emergency Management and H3S recommends that the BCC approve the vulnerable populations proposed content and process so that planning can continue with the workgroup members.

SUBMITTED BY: Nancy Bush, Assistant Director, Department of Emergency Management.

Division Director/Head Approval

Department Director/Head Approval

County Administrator Approval _____



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