

EXERCISE-EXERCISE

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Study Session Worksheet

Presentation Date:

September 21, 2010 Time: 2:30 p.m.

Length: 30 minutes

Presentation Title:

Emergency Declaration for the "Clackamas Shakedown"

Earthquake Exercise

Department:

Emergency Management, Emergency Operations Center (EOC)

Incident Command

Presenters:

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POLICY QUESTION

Shall the Board promote County preparedness by their participation in an exercise briefing from EOC Command and consideration of the proposed exercise Disaster Declaration?

ISSUE & BACKGROUND

Clackamas County employees are participating in the Clackamas County "Shakedown" Earthquake Exercise on October 6, 2010. As an advanced element of the exercise the Emergency Operation Center (EOC) Command will use this study session to brief the Board on the earthquake exercise scenario; just as they would in a real event. This will provide an opportunity for commanders to interface with the Board, and submit a simulated earthquake Emergency Declaration for the Board's consideration. In this practice session, EOC incident commanders will discuss the conditions that warrant the need for an emergency declaration, the incident impacts to the community, the resources needed from the State of Oregon and the Emergency Measures needed to effectively manage the event. The Board will have the opportunity to discuss the legal ramifications of the declaration with Counsel. The declaration will be shared with County EOC staff during the exercise on October 6th, to guide response and recovery activities.

QUESTION(S) PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION

- 1. Does the exercise declaration accurately reflect the state of emergency as portrayed by EOC Command?
- 2. Does the Board endorse EOC Command's recommended resource requests and recommended emergency measures within the declaration?
- 3. Is the Board in favor of signing the declaration to empower the signing official to assume centralized control over all departments and offices of the County and further, to empower the Emergency Management Department to carry out the appropriate functions and duties identified in County Code Chapter 6.03?

OPTIONS AVAILABLE

- 1. In collaboration with EOC Command, select the appropriate emergency measures needed to effectively manage the incident and approve the declaration.
- 2. Direct EOC Command and County Counsel to revise the declaration.
- 3. Choose not to proceed with an emergency declaration.

RECOMMENDATION

SUBMITTED BY

Staff recommends the Board collaborate with EOC Command to identify the appropriate emergency measures needed to manage the incident and approve the declaration.

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County Administrator Approval

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