



Spokane Community Organizations Active in Disasters: Meeting Minutes

COAD Vision Statement

To create a community resilient from disasters.

COAD Mission Statement

Be prepared by bringing together community partners and individuals to foster greater community resiliency within Spokane County through: Cooperation, Coordination, Collaboration and Communications. Spokane COAD is a coordinating organization and will not assume direct operational responsibility in any disaster situation.

Meeting Date: June 4, 2019

Spokane Salvation Army

Call to Order:

0900

Introductions:

Leonard Westermeyer

Presentations:

Guy Gifford, Department of Natural Resources | [Wildfire Outlook](#)

Hot Topics & Agency Updates:

Agency Updates:

Healthcare Coalition:

- Region 9 June Trainings

Humane Evacuation Animal Rescue Team (HEART):

- Assisting SCRAPS with a 30-40 cat seizure in Spokane Valley

Greater Spokane Emergency Management:

- New Office Phone # - (509) 477-3046
- Gerry Bozarth gave an overview of the 2020 Spokane Co. Mitigation Plan Update. He explained the process, how public comments will assist in the development, handed out the FAQ's, and encouraged all attendees to take the online survey – [Click Here](#)
- All FAQs regarding the Hazard Mitigation Update planning process – [Click Here](#)
- New Program Specialist, David Broussard – former Wildland Firefighter & former Sheriff Deputy
- Grant County Fire Update: 3500 acres burned
- Alberta, CA Wildfire: Up to 5000 residents evacuated, and nearly 230,000 acres burned

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC):

- Next LEPC Meeting: June 19, 2019, @ 353 W. Nora | 9:00 – 10:30 am

National Weather Service:

- Expecting rain for the weekend with temperatures around 60°
- Open House – September 21, 2019 @ | 10:00 am – 4:00 pm – More information on event TBD

Red Cross:

- Opened a level 3 evacuation center
- Down from 12 residential fire responses in May
- Free personal and family preparation; psychological first-aid from disaster trauma training – Contact the local Red Cross chapter for training inquiries (202) 303-4498

Spokane Salvation Army:

- 5 low-cost transitional homeless housing units open – www.makingspokanebetter.org

Spokane Regional Health District (SRHD):

- **Public Health**
 - Flu season declared over
 - Three confirmed mumps cases, but all confined to EWU, low risk to the public
 - Hosting a community partner wildfire pre-planning meeting on 6/5
 - *Measles Update:* 9 cases on the West Side, however no cases confirmed in Spokane County
- **Medical Reserve Corp**
 - Continuing to distribute their “Good to Go” bags targeting vulnerable individuals – for more info, please contact [Summer Warfield](#)
- **Region 9 Healthcare Coalition:**
 - Conducting an exercise this week in which a hospital in Spokane county will practice transferring patients from an area of the hospital to other locations within the Spokane area

Spokane C.O.P.S.:

- National Night Out Against Crime: Tuesday, August 6, 2019 | Location - “All over Spokane” (to register for a Night Out party in Spokane, [Click Here](#)) (Deadline for registration is July 26, 2019)

VA Hospital:

- September Preparedness Fair at the VA Hospital – If you would like to participate or have questions, please contact VA Hospital Emergency Manager, Chris Jaklitsch – Event details TBD

VOAD:

- Next VOAD Meeting: June 26, 2019 @ Panhandle Health, 8332, 8500 N Atlas Rd, Hayden, ID 83835 | 9:30 am

Washington State Guard:

- Conducted Red Card training for 12 – Deer Park

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No Meeting in July

Next Meeting:

August 6th, 2019 @ Spokane Salvation Army, 204 E Indiana (Building #6)