2nd Generation Crisis Response: Beyond the Basics

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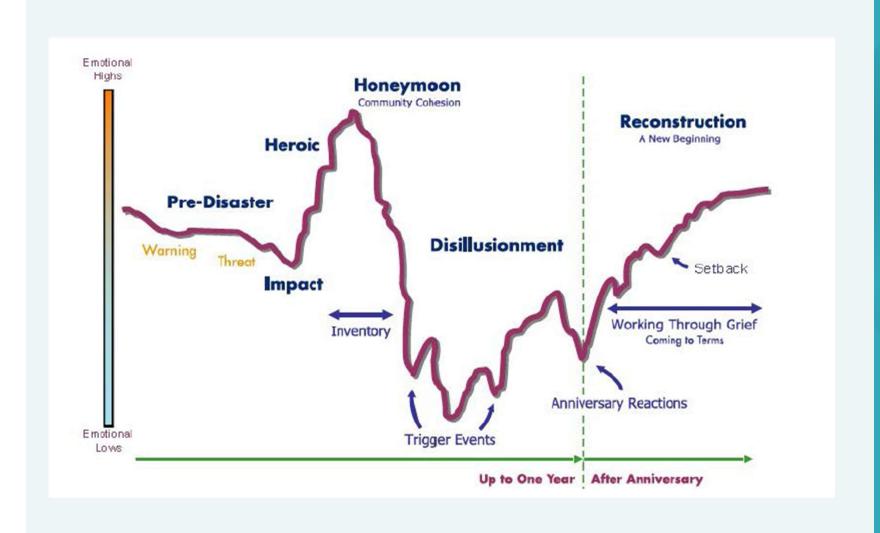


Today's Agenda

- 1 Emergency Public Information Essentials
- 2 JIC: Beyond the Basics
- 3 Crises of Confidence
- 4 Phase II of Incident: Recovery
- 5 Shared Experiences / Wrap



Phases of a Disaster: Impacts Your Ability to Communicate



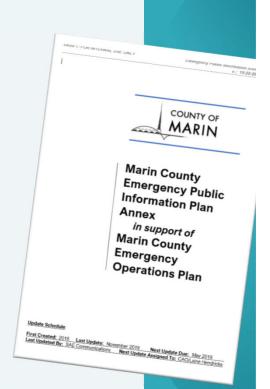


Section 1: Emergency Public Information Essentials



Emergency Public Info. Plan

- Satisfies NIMS/SEMS requirements
- Results in coordinated response
- Achieves early buy-in
- Allows for efficient resource deployment
- Guides agency in an organized manner





Key Message Platform

- Foundational content for all channels
- Distills complex issues down to most important elements
- Moves response to empathy and desired actions
- Conveys information efficiently to reporters and public
- Requires continual updates



Internal Q&A

- Anticipates questions that will be asked by reporters, public
- Spurs message delivery in each answer
- Ensures organizational consistency
- Encourages team approach to crisis response
- Offers baseline for public FAQ



Fact Sheet

- Provides latest data at a glance
- Includes each element of crisis response
- Offers broad view of overall response
- Ensures accurate coverage
- Changes constantly



Holding Statement

- Gives you something to say in the first moments of a crisis
- Provides media with agency quote
- Can be pre-written for a variety of potential crises



News Release

- Triages information, with most important news appearing first
- Provides easily-recognized format for information distribution
- Includes photos, graphics, maps
- Offers opportunity for embargoes, exclusives
- Diminished role due to social media



ICS 214 Form

- Creates detailed record of crisis communications response
- Requires staff training and follow-up
- Updates those serving in subsequent operational periods
- Provides chronology for media and public
- Helps agency recover costs



Section 2: JIC: Beyond the Basics

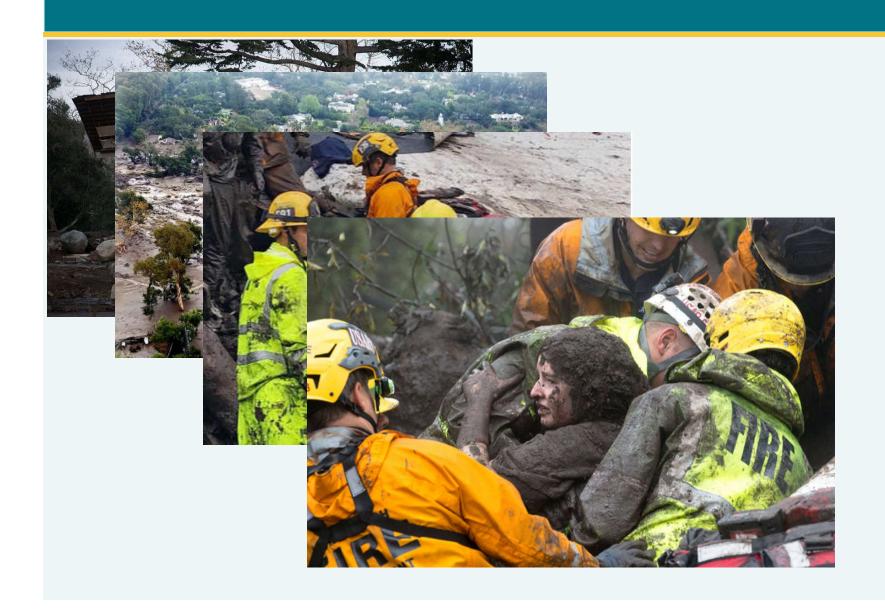


Trends in the JIC

- Role of Lead PIO
 - advisor, liaison, shadow writer
- Always focus on audiences
- Never finished
- Research during the incident
- Visual storytelling: new on org chart

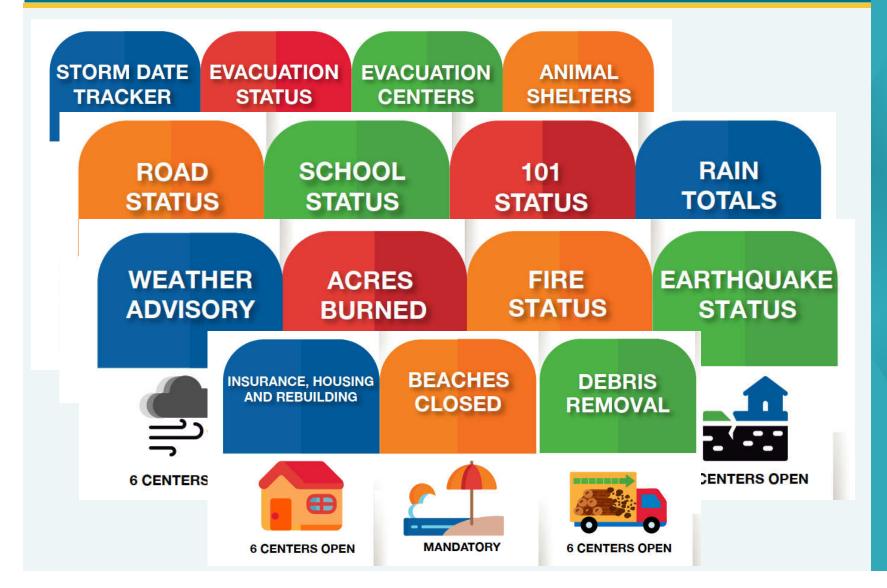
- Evacuation best practices
 - "Voluntary" terminology, visuals, video
- How to staff for longterm incidents
- Use of Call Center,211
- E-newsletters a must

Visuals Are Now Required



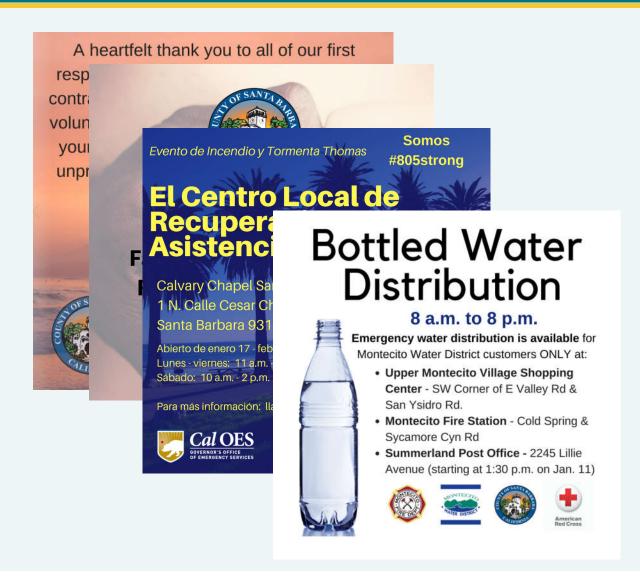


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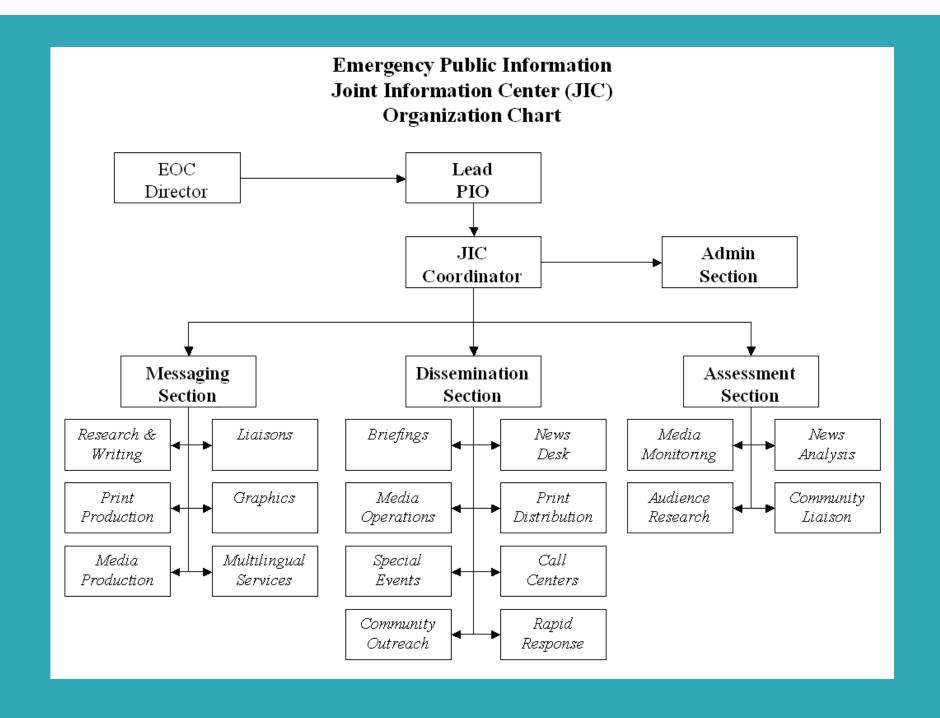
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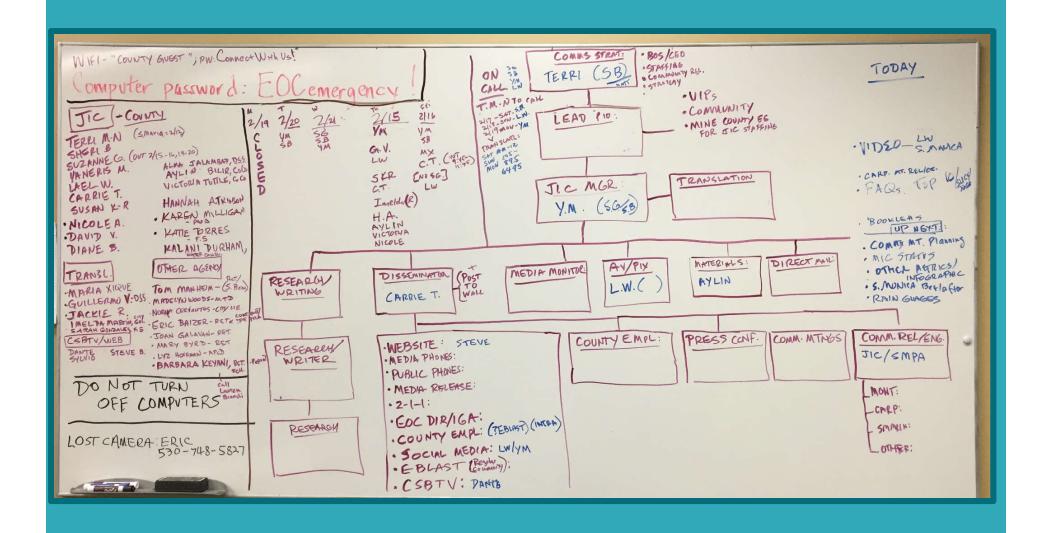


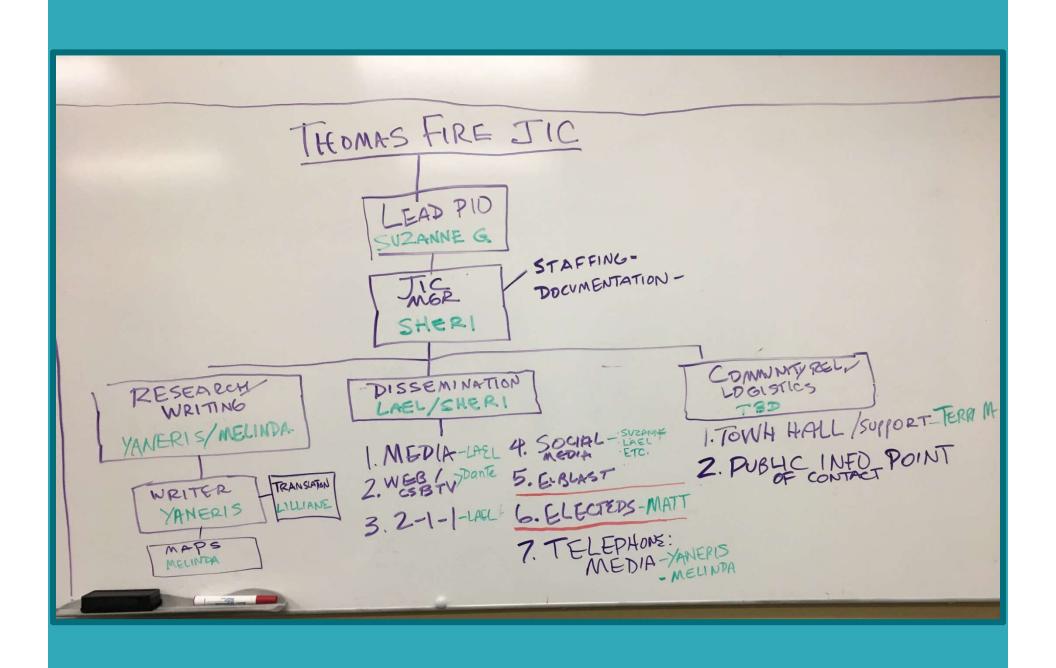


JIC Boards, Org. Structures







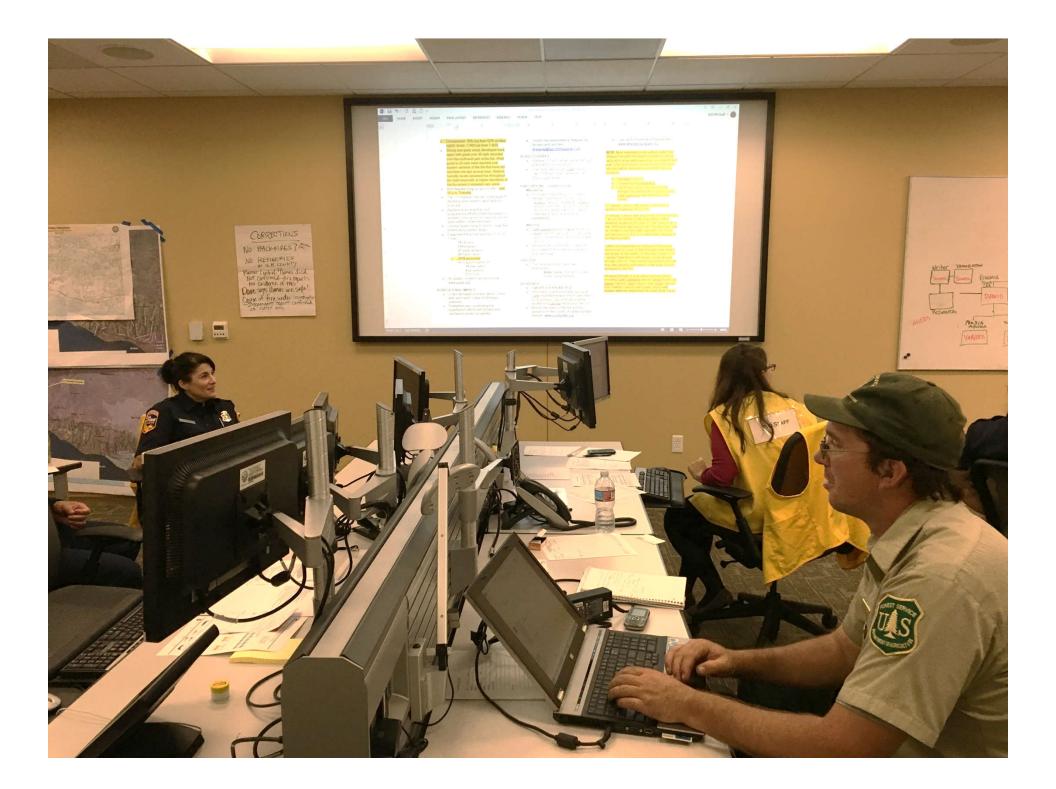


January 2018 Storm JIC Dissemination List

Topic:

☐ Translation
County website
☐ Release to media
☐ Give to Call Center mngr
☐ Social media (Eng & Span)
□ 2-1-1
☐ Email EOC director for electeds
☐ E-Blast (myEmma)
☐ CSBTV20 (Eng & Span)
☐ Post PR on wall (Eng & Span)
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- · ALL RESOURCES AVAILABLE
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- · WATER RESOURCES - FIGHT

· Protect

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FUEL-OLD, NOT BURNED

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- HARD TO REACH

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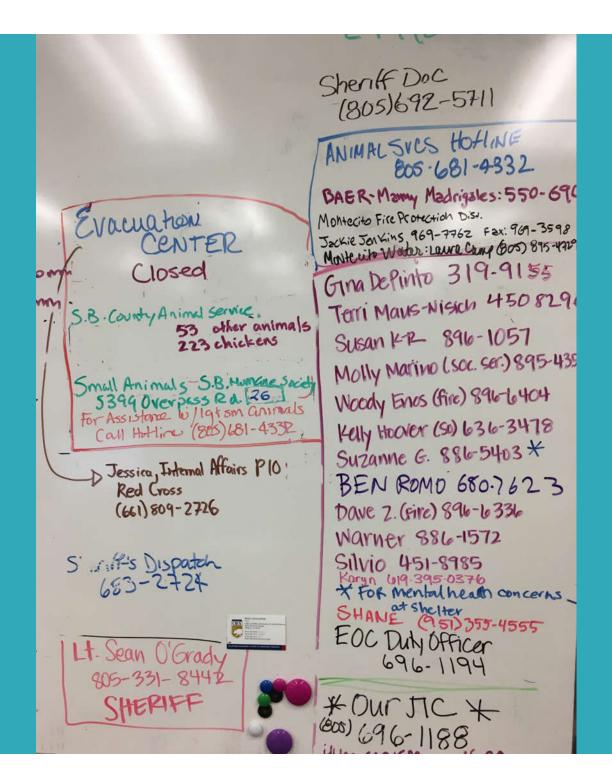
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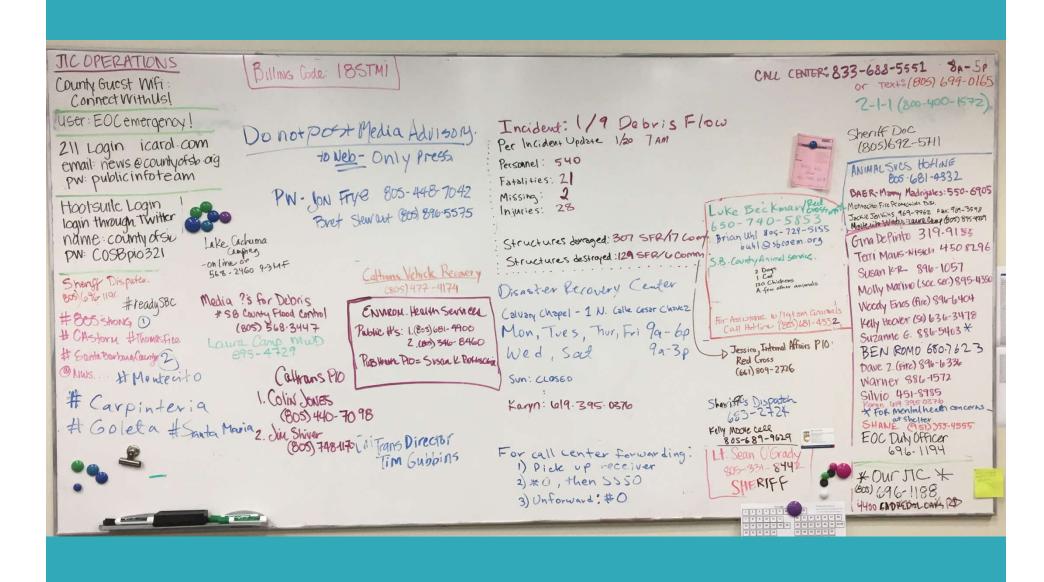
- · OAKS/TREE PROTECTION
- · MUD/DEBRIS REMOVAL
 - PUBLIC LAND
 - DRIV. PROP.

MESSAGES/ISSUES

· TRAFFIC IN MONT/ IMPACT AREA -EXOLAIN ZONES

- · MATERIALS EXCH.
- . JIC COORD. COMM. SPEAKING REQ.
- · METRICS PUSH: queen tags - GRAPHIC - SMPA?
- . OPEN MONT. INFO CNTR.
- · COMM. MEETING CHECKUST -> PRESS CONF CHECKLIST
- · BAERT/WERT/CORE PUBLIC/CO.MT-MARCH
- · VIDEO: NEW EVAC INFO/MAP
- · CARP. OUTREACH PLAN
- "NO DUMPING IN CREEKS" · 101 CLOSURE FACILITATES EVAC
- . HOW REBUILD GET STARTED . P+D CASE MGMT SURVEY





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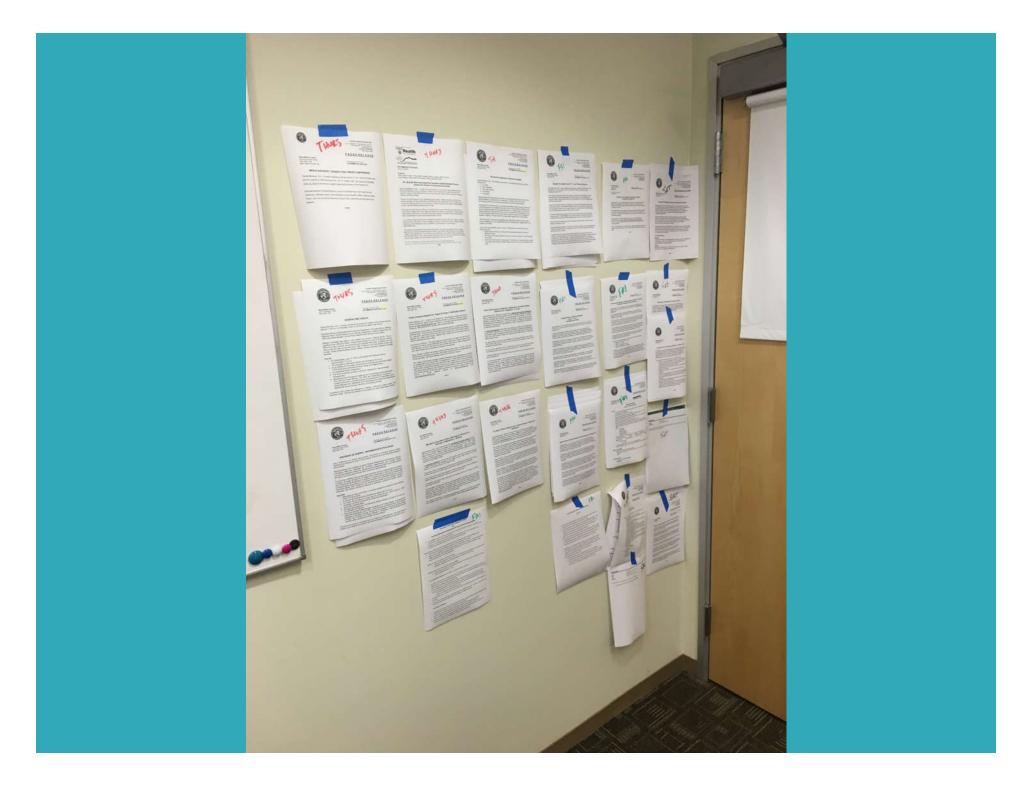
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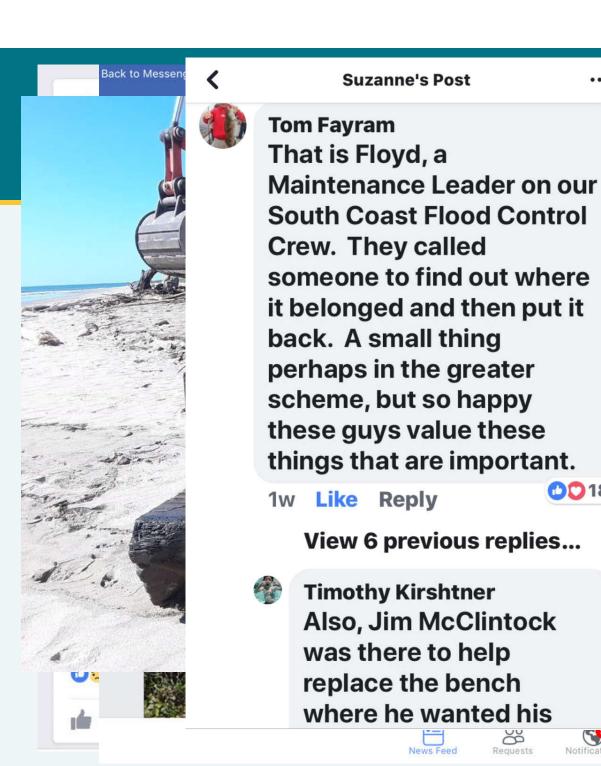
 LANGUAGE/HOLDING

 REPOPULATION
 - 3) · USE OF RECLAIMED WATER
 - INTERACTIVE MAP - PUBLIC/MEDIA



Research During Incident









Example of Message Delivery



Alabama Tornado Example

- Emergency Ops
 PIO
 - What does she know?
 - Range of info
- Senator
 - Evergreen content





Notre Dame Example

Become news observer:

What was goal?

Discern his key messages?

Who was in charge of the interview?

Did he answer questions?



Butte/Paradise E-News





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Visit <u>ButteCountyRecovers.org/events</u> or <u>Makeitparadise.org/meeting-schedule</u> for a list of events hosted by, or held in coordination with, Butte County or the Town of Paradise

Magalia Community Meeting
Upper Ridge Community Council
July 11, 2019, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Seventh Day Adventist Church, 15204 Skyway Road in Magalia

Paradise Irrigation District
Water System Recovery Update
July 15, 2019, 6:00PM
Paradise Alliance Church, 6491 Clark Road in ParadiseText Link

Butte County

In Progress (indemnity agreement signed): 4
Outstanding: 4

Schools, AFN, Retirement Communities, Neighborhoods



Schools: SB County Debris Flow



schools" con call

n weekly: public and reK, k-8, 9-12

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TIPS FOR TALKING TO CHILDREN ABOUT TRAUMA AND CRISIS

Be a model for your children.

Take care of yourself and get support when you need it.

Help children return to a normal routine.

Help children volunteer.

Section 3: Crises of Confidence



Crises of Confidence

These should guide you:

- Openness with those affected
- Transparency in explaining what happened
- Honesty about crisis scope



Crises of Confidence

- Know Your Exposure have an indepth and brutally honest discussion
- Be a "Nudge" you must be part of the response, even if it means being a pest
- Highlight the Risk ensure that staff understands the potential damage to your agency and those you serve



Crises of Confidence

- Plan Your Response include crises of confidence in your emergency response plans
- Identify Your Team pull your team together and build relationships now; you won't have time when crisis hits
- Anticipate Outrage stakeholders will be angry and confused - use empathy



- Among most-feared crises today
- Typically are user-caused
- Can involve confidential resident, business, or staff information
- Prevention starts with staff at home
- City of Atlanta



- Risk Builds Over Many Years -Attackers often access systems for several months before taking action
- It Won't End Soon Several months after the initial attack, many of your systems may still be down
- Finger-pointing Will Linger City officials may blame each other for the attack, pundits will second-guess you



- Paying Ransom is a Tough Call It's easy to armchair quarterback the agency's decision to not pay or not
- Contact with Hackers Can End Quickly - If scared, hackers may abandon ransom request, leaving the agency with no choice but to rebuild its systems from backups, if they exist



- Explaining "What Happened" May Be Difficult - Investigators may limit communication about the cause, feeding the rumor mill and impeding your ability to inform stakeholders
- Media wants a local angle When another agency is attacked, be prepared for questions about your readiness

PRA Requests

- Increasingly from the public, not reporters
- Recent request included:
 - For crying out loud, Holy sh*t, Holy cow, Holy crap, Oh my God, Oh my goodness, OMG, OMFG, Oops, Shoot, Yikes, !!!, What a disaster, Hit the fan, Perception issue, Screw up, Screwed up, Uncomfortable, Big trouble
- Delays won't make request go away
 - More time to build the story/issue



Personal Devices and Accounts

- Communications by a public employee concerning public business on personal device or account may be disclosed
- Think about what you've written in texts to friends and family
- Voicemails are now transcribed and may also be disclosed



SM Drives Public Opinion





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Regarding tweets on Tuesday, April 17, by a Fresno State faculty member:

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153 Retweets "Academic freedom is at the core of our University, something we promote and practice every day in our teaching, research and public service. I am a fervent supporter of academic freedom and its underlying principles, as defined by the First Amendment. This is the essence of our democracy. I recognize that in the exercise of free speech rights, individuals may present personal opinions in a provocative manner, and I also value the First Amendment rights of individuals, even when others may find the speech unpleasant and inappropriate.

> I also recognize that people will have different opinions on the proper balance between freedom of expression and the responsibility to exercise it in a way that promotes constructive dialogue. We are constantly striving to get that balance right. That is where an academic institution such as Fresno State can be a leader in the Central Valley and beyond."



Section 4: Phase II of Incident: Recovery



Express Empathy - if Appropriate

- Very difficult to express
- "Might expose us to liability"
- Can engage audience, create confidence







Access and Functional Needs

- Required to be addressed by FEMA
- See checklist in handout
- Good example of audience-based communications planning
 - Audience
 - Message
 - Tactics



Virginia Beach Municipal Bld.

- Unique response when your agency is personally involved
- Your friends and colleagues involved
- Motive becomes personal for you
- Be prepared for so much emotion





Seal Beach: Salon Meritage



Roles for Elected Officials

- CM spent one full day in 2-hour, 1:1 briefings for council
- Incident response
- Funerals: attend? Protocol
- Communications with staff: channels
- Face in community: attend various events
- Talking points for each
- Mayor official spokesperson



Offers of Assistance; Events

- Chamber named as initial clearinghouse
- City goal: response to every offer
- Created spreadsheets to track
- Reviewed each line every afternoon
- 2019: Pros/Cons of Go Fund Me
 - Discussion



1st Council Meeting After

- Begin with moment of silence
- Put off most business
- Mayor's comments/intro items
- CM gives overview, then Chief
- Council comments: each had own points
- Adjourn in honor of each victim



Initial Post-Incident Days

- Fundraiser releases
- Q&A re: victim fund
- Web site key source
- Media lists: local, full
- Ongoing release schedule
- Gear up for funerals

Long-Term Planning

- What do with site of incident?
- Large community-wide event?
- Honor people, not shooting
- Permanent memorial
 - Location
 - Funding
- One-year, ongoing anniversaries

Top 10 Lessons Learned

- Have a really great
 PIO
- 2. Use PIO mutual aid
- 3. It won't be over the first day
- 4. Honor your culture
- 5. If disagree with other agencies, see #4
- 6. Constantly monitor needs of community

- 7. Community partners (hosp., school, c/c)
- 8. You won't have your key players
- Likely bigger than public safety
- 10. **Id**, create management team: now
- 11. Use as many tools as possible to reach audiences



Shared Experiences / Wrap



"Public sentiment is everything. With public sentiment nothing can fail; without it nothing can succeed."

Abraham Lincoln

