

# ***Montezuma County Office of Emergency Management Situation Report***



***MONTHLY REPORT SUBMITTED BY:*** Jim Spratlen

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## ***CURRENT DECLARATIONS/DELEGATIONS***

### ***Health disaster emergency declarations:***

- Ute Mountain Ute are currently in a health disaster declaration.

### ***Drought disaster emergency declarations:***

- October 4, 2022 the BOCC extended the Drought Disaster declaration for the County to February 4, 2022.
- 06/23/21 the Town of Mancos signed a resolution to support the County's declaration of a drought disaster and it's still in effect.
- On 5/28/21 Dolores County declared a drought disaster.
- On 5/26/21 Ute Mountain Ute Tribe declared a drought disaster and it is still in effect.


**Fire restrictions:**

- No fire restrictions in the County or in the SW. NPS always in Stage 1

**Fire Situation report**

- No fires in Montezuma County

Recent Incidents (Prepared 11/10/2022 13:00)						
Date	Inc #	Name	Type	Acres	Lat/Lon	I
11/09/2022 10:30	AUX-1208	434 valley rd banded ranch	Smoke Check	.	37 6.192, -106 42.834	
11/09/2022 08:11	DRC-1207	Winter Weather Advisory 11/9	Miscellaneous	.	.	
11/08/2022 13:49	DRC-1206	Wind Advisory 11/9	Miscellaneous	.	.	
11/08/2022 09:14	DLX-1205	RD 15 and The Overlook	Smoke Check	.	37 47.436, -108 47.808	
11/07/2022 15:37	DLX-1204	Groundhog Piles RX	Prescribed Fire	.	37 46.350, -108 15.216	



**Rocky Mountain Area Morning Intelligence Report**

**Friday, September 23, 2022**  
 (LAST REPORT FOR 2022, WILL RESUME Published Daily by 0830 DURING THE 2023 FIRE SEASON)

Rocky Mountain Area Preparedness Level: **2**  
 National Preparedness Level: **3**

[National IMSR](#)  
[RMA Detailed Situation Report](#)  
[Intel Operations \(Daily & Tactical Reports\)](#)

**INITIAL ATTACK ACTIVITY**

Minimal activity reported: **0** new fires for **0** acres

*Unplanned Wildfire Activity Reported by Land Protection*				
Land Protection Agency	New Fires	New Acres	YTD Fires	YTD Acres
Bureau of Indian Affairs	0	0	326	21,068
Bureau of Land Management	0	0	351	6,782
Bureau of Reclamation	0	0	2	2
County	0	0	488	112,199
State of Nebraska	0	0	533	69,926
US Forest Service	0	0	315	16,085
Fish & Wildlife Service	0	0	13	142
National Park Service	0	0	25	598
State of Colorado	0	0	0	0
State of Kansas	0	0	0	0
State of Wyoming	0	0	29	2,187
State of South Dakota	0	0	55	1,610
Department of Defense	0	0	5	3,170
<b>Total Unplanned Wildfire Activity*</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,142</b>	<b>233,769</b>

\*For specific information on unplanned Wildfire Activity (numbers of new fires/acres and year-to-date totals by State/Unit) by Land Protection Agency, please refer to the RMA Detailed Situation Report that is linked above. Questions? [How to Read the Situation Report](#)

Fire Danger Rating by # of Units Reporting (CO, WY, SD, KS & NE)				
Low	Moderate	High	Very High	Extreme
60	42	0	0	0

## EOC/DOC ACTIVATIONS

EOC/DOC: None

## COUNTY LIFE LINES

*Meaning of key Lifeline colors:*

**Green** stabilization;

**Yellow** solution ID and plan of action in progress;

**Red** services disrupted.



## Safety and Security – Green

- Law Enforcement: Normal Operations
- Search and Rescue: Normal Operations
- Fire Services: Normal Operations.
- Community Safety: Normal Operations.



## **Food, Water and Shelter – Yellow/Green**

- **Food:**
  - Food: Normal Operations.
    - Senior Center open Mon, Wed, Thurs and Fri, and in Mancos on Mon, Wed, and Fri, and Dolores open on Mon and Wed.
  - Agriculture: Normal Operations.
  
- **Water:**
  - McPhee Reservoir active capacity topped at 105,949 acre/ft. on 5/30.22. On 11/07/22 the capacity was at 32,402 acre/ft.
  - Groundhog main gate repair project is finished.
  - As of 011/2/2022 Jackson Gulch Reservoir was at 65% capacity, 6,527 acre/ft. Mancos Rural Water is taking water out of reservoir average about 20 Acre/feet per month. Mesa Verde pulling water from river. 1 mil gal raw water storage tank is full. Town of Mancos is pulling water from the river.
  - MVI Ute water Agg water continued until October 31.
  - County in a severe Drought classification, dropping from extreme. Monsoon season brought a lot of moisture, but not up to our normal allotment. La Nina will be in effect for the third year in a row and temperatures will be higher than normal this winter. Predictions will be a dry winter.
  
- **Shelter:**
  - Shelter: Normal Operations
    - Non-congregant Shelter has housed 49 people since 4/28/20. Total cost updated is \$24,023. Cost is currently being reimbursed by Public Health funding and Ute Mt Ute Health Department. Funding for this program will continue in 2023 from Public Health.
    - Red Cross will now accept all pets into a congregate shelter.



### **Health and Medical - Green**

- **Health:**

- Medical Care: Normal Operations.
- Patient Movement: Normal Operations.
- Fatality Management: Normal Operations.
- Medical Supply Chain: Normal Operations.
- Air Quality: Currently Satisfactory
  
- COVID:
  - 7,191 positive tests compared to 6,977 positive tests two months ago.
  - 72.8% Immunized in Montezuma County
  - 86 Deaths by Covid-19 compared to 83 deaths two months ago.
  
- Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI)
  - No back yard flocks are infected in Montezuma County. No further cases of wild birds have been reported.

- **Medical:**

- Hospital: Normal Operations

#### SW RETAC Region

- **48%** ICU Beds Available
  
- **13.0**
  - ICU Beds in Use
  - (4-Week Difference)
  
- **25**
  - ICU Total Beds
  - (4-Week Difference)



- EMS: Normal Operations.
  - Current total calls are 3700.



### **Energy, Power and Fuel – Green**

- Power (Grid): Normal Operations.
- Temporary Power: The mobile substation in Mancos is off line. November 9<sup>th</sup> they disconnected the mobile substation and powered up the plant. Transfer of power was successful.
- Fuel: Normal Operations.
- Natural Gas: Normal Operations.
- Propane: Normal Operations.
- CO<sub>2</sub>: Normal Operations.



### **Communications – Green**

- Alerts, Warnings, and Messages: Normal Operations
  - Nixle messages being sent out on weather alerts and advisories by Nixle.

- IPAWS was successfully tested on 11/1/22.
- 911 Dispatch: Normal Operations.
- Responder Communications: Normal Operations.
  - 8TAC repeater has been approved through State Homeland Security Program and was delivered. The Technical Advisory Group will research a location. Menefee or Park Point at the NPS to help fill in the gaps.
  - Request for backup system for Menefee EMS repeater was approved by the 911 Authority Board for funding. Equipment was ordered.
  - Stakeholder meetings continue monthly with all the partners in Montezuma County for information sharing.
- Finance Services: Normal Operations.
- Public Information: Normal Operations.
  - PIO has stayed busy with BOCC agendas each week. She has assisted county, municipal, and private agencies to promote messaging.
- Infrastructure: Normal Operations.



### **Transportation - Green**

- Transit: Normal operations.
- Railway: None
- Aviation: Normal operations.
- Maritime: Normal operations.
- Airport: Normal operations.



### **Hazardous Materials - Green**

- Facilities: Normal Operations.
- Hazmat, Pollutants, and Contaminants: Normal Operations.



### **STATE LIFE LINES**

#### **State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) Status Level 2**

The SEOC at Level 2. SEOC continues to support of the following: Public health support, Marshall Fire recovery and HPAI. SEOC is operational Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



## Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI)

The Colorado Department of Agriculture (CDA) and USDA are coordinating the state response to HPAI cases in the state.



### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

#### Office of Emergency Management Budget:

Department	All My Departments				
Current Year Bud	11/30/2022				
Current Year Bud					\$101,380.00
YTD Actual					\$76,052.02
Variance					\$25,327.98
Account Number	Account Title	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance	Total Budget
001.1200.1120	PERMANENT SALARIES	50400	62400	12000	62400
001.1200.1160	FRINGE BENEFITS	15279.65	20000	4720.35	20000
001.1200.1387	VEHICLE EXPENSES	727.66	3500	2772.34	3500
001.1200.1500	EMERGENCY OPS CENTER	1388.69	4000	2611.31	4000
001.1200.1380	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	420.06	2500	2079.94	2500
001.1200.1420	DUES, TRAINING AND TRAVEL	248.87	2000	1751.13	2000
001.1200.1226	FUEL	2470.63	4000	1529.37	4000
001.1200.1220	OPERATING EXPENSES	1648.46	2500	851.54	2500
001.1200.1320	TELEPHONE	400	480	80	480
001.1200.1152	OVERTIME	708	0	-708	0
001.1200.1130	PART-TIME SALARIES	2360	0	-2360	0

**Community Intervention Program (CIP)**

- We currently have 2 EMTs and 1 Behavioral Health Specialist (BHS) hired, with a part time BHS.
- The team activated May 2, 2022.
- 327 calls which include follow-ups.
- \$386,001 Behavior Grant has been approved by the State and will begin November 3, 2022 and go until June 30, 2023, with a possible option to extend the funding to December 31, 2023.
- CIP Budget

Department	Cip				
Current Year Budget		11/9/2022			
Current Year Budget		\$408,285.13			
YTD Actual		\$225,251.02			
Variance		\$183,034.11			
Account Number	Account Title	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance	Total Budget
001.1710.1310	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	162183.79	324223.13	162039.34	324223.13
001.1710.1220	OPERATING	62744.91	78862	16117.09	78862
001.1710.1226	FUEL	322.32	5200	4877.68	5200

**Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP):**

- Numerous stake holders were involved on the final review. Final Draft approved and will be receiving final approval signatures.

**COOP Plans:**

- Still working on the Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP). COOP check lists were sent to all departments for review and impute.
- IT has completed their COOP plan.
- Generators are being sought through HMGP and a commitment letter was authorized by the BOCC to proceed in the grant process for 4 generators for the county over 2 years. Final grant submission will be send by November 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Department of Homeland Security Emergency Management (DHSEM):**

- Meetings with regional EMs and DHSEM Field Manager were held in the last 30 days.
- DHSEM Grants: 2022-2023 regional grant application has been approved. Work continues on the 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022 grants.
- UT/CO conference calls continue to discuss emergency management topics.

### **Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG):**

- EMPG funding **updated** is \$50,790 and was approved for 2022.
  - Submitted 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. report on 4/13/22 for reimbursement of \$12,726.56
  - Submitted 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr. Report on 7/15/22 for reimbursement of \$10,318.45.
  - Submitted 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr. Revised Report on 11/10/22 for reimbursement of \$10,331.33
  - 2022 Grant Award Letter was received 9/30/22. This will now begin the reimbursement process for the 2022 requests above.
  - 2021 Last Qtr. Payment came to us on March 2022 for \$6,750.00 and cleared the State bank on 03/16/2022.

### **Emergency Operations Plan (EOP):**

- Brought in the Access Functional Needs team from the state to build a team in the County. Changes will eventually be made to the current EOP from this interaction.

### **Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP):**

- Contacted all municipalities and county departments and discussed HMP mitigation efforts. All has been documented and sent to all entities.
- Working on grant funding for some mitigation projects;
  - Town of Dolores generator and siren project is approved. The Town is moving forward with their equipment purchases. Contract is complete with FEMA and they are working on the RFP, and developing an IGA with the Dolores Fire Protection District.
  - Town of Mancos working on storm water drains engineer planning. State approval was received, a grant award of \$5,000. This is a development and implementation grant for source water protection planning given by Colorado Water Quality Control Division. Mancos Rural Water will be implementing this project.
  - County generators.
    - Admin building generator is in place, natural gas installation completed and electrical installation complete. Fully operational.
    - Applying for the HMGP grant for the 4 remaining generators needed for County Buildings. Coroners Building, Annex 1, Annex 3, and the Fairgrounds.
    - HMGP grant that will pay 90% of the generators needed for the county that were listed in the HMP.

### **Fire Mitigation**

- The Colorado Strategic Wildfire Action Program (COSWAP) application by SW CO Rocky Mountain Restoration Initiative (SWCO RMRI) was approved for \$1,000,000 to mitigate lands on private and federal focusing on Jackson Gulch and Summit Lake areas. Mancos Conservation District will manage the grant.

### **Local Emergency Planning Committee (From LEPC Chair):**

- The 2022 “Hazard / Risk” tours of the Montezuma County Extremely Hazardous Substances (EHS) facilities have been delayed for a few months due to scheduling conflicts. The tours will begin again soon. Facility tours consist of a review of first responder response, facility safety procedures and practices, hazards (chemical, mechanical, etc.) which first responders may encounter, contact information, etc. Once completed, information is provided to the Emergency Manager and first responders in the form of a “Hazard / Risk Assessment”, which prepares and assists during a spill response.
- A Propane Emergency Response Kit has been purchased with the remaining grant dollars from the 2022 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP). Upon receipt of the kit, our first responders will have the capability to mitigate leaks, offload containers and flare residual amounts. Dolores VFD had Propane Emergency training in September and the instructors utilized the same kit purchased with the grant monies. Plans are to get other Montezuma County first responders to receive the Propane Emergency Response Kit.
- The Montezuma Emergency Planning Committee attended the Southwest Regional Emergency Planning Committee meeting on Nov. 9, 2022 in Durango. Colorado Emergency Planning Committee (CEPC) members were guests at the meeting. Tim Gablehouse provided a presentation on liabilities and capabilities of LEPC’s and/or Regional Emergency Planning Committees (REPC).
- The LEPC is in the process of working with Cortez Fire Protection District to inventory the Montezuma Hazmat Trailer. Hazmat suit testing will be conducted during the inventory with the use of a suit testing kit borrowed from Durango Fire.
- A Hazmat Technician Refresher course was given in mid-September at Telluride Fire Department. Two Montezuma County first responders attended the class and have been recertified.

### **Memo of Understanding (MOU):**

- In review of some filed MOU, MAA, and IGAs for possible revisions and updated signatures.

### **Resources:**

- All EM equipment was inventoried last on 11/1/22. All equipment was serviced and checked.
- PPE inventory was checked 11/1/22. We continue to issue PPE to all first responders, health care, nursing facilities, schools and County departments as needed. We have a sufficient amount of supplies at this time for all entities.

### **Search and Rescue**

- Radio Class was given to SAR team on 10/24/22 for 2 hours.

### **Southwest All Hazards Advisory Council (SWAHAC):**

- Received the 2022/2023 grant award from the state in the approved sum of \$17,625

### **Southwest Incident Management Team (SWIMT):**

- EM has accepted his former position as Co-Coordinator of the team.
- 6 team members were deployed to Florida through EMAC to assist in response/recovery mission. The total team of 13 were deployed for 18 days. EM was part of the team deployment.

### **Southwest Regional Communications Committee (SWRCC):**

- Working with providers to help solve communication issues in the county. Committee Meeting was held on 10/27/22.
- Technician retrieved the VHF Dolores Repeater for repair and it was replaced that same day.

### **Training and Exercise Plan (TEP):**

- A new 3 year TEP for the County has been developed 2022 – 2024 and it was sent to the State and approved.

### **Training/Drills:**

- Working with Kinder Morgan CO2 on a Unified Emergency Preparedness Drill. Functional exercise is scheduled for the fall of 2022.
- ICS 300 was held October 11-13 in Silverton.
- ICS 100, 700 and 800 was held on 10/19/22 for 8 hours and 10/26/22 for 8 hours for county employees. EM instructed both classes
- EOC/ESF Training was held on 9/28/22 for 3 hours on Access Functional Needs by the state.
- EM submitted final documentation and Task-book sign-off for Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Manager certification, compiled over 2 ½ years. Waiting on CEMA to evaluate the submission for approval.
- EM gave a presentation to Cash Canyon HOA with Cortez Fire on 10/23/22 for 3 hours to 17 people.
- DTRS Radio Training performed on 10/17/22 to 14 students Mancos Fire.
- DTRS Radio Training performed on 10/24/22 to 13 students SAR members.
- Active Response Threat training was performed at PCC for 12 students on 11/4-5/2022 for 16 hours.