

Montezuma County Office of Emergency Management Monthly Situation Report

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EOC/DOC ACTIVATIONS

County EOC:

- Not activated
- All Lifelines are at "Green" Status. WebEOC reporting monthly.

COUNTY LIFE LINES

Meaning of key Lifeline colors:

- Green** stabilization;
- Yellow** solution ID and plan of action in progress;
- Red** services disrupted.

Disaster Emergency Declarations:

- On 5/26/21 Ute Mountain Ute Tribe declared a drought disaster and it is still in effect.

Fire Situation:

- No fire restrictions in Montezuma County



Safety and Security – Green

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



Food, Water and Shelter – Green

- Food: Normal Operations.
- Agriculture: Normal Operations.
- Water: Normal Operations
- Shelter: Normal Operations



Health and Medical - Green

- Medical Care: Normal Operations.
- Patient Movement: Normal Operations.
- Public Health: Normal Operations
- Hospital: Normal Operations.
- EMS: Normal Operations.



Energy, Power and Fuel - Green

- Power (Grid): Normal Operations.
- Fuel: Normal Operations.
- Natural Gas: Normal Operations.
- Propane: Normal Operations.
- CO₂: Normal Operations.



Communications – Green

- Alerts, Warnings, and Messages: Normal Operations
 - IPAWS tested on 11/2/23.
- 911 Dispatch: Normal Operations.
- Responder Communications: Normal Operations.
- Finance Services: Normal Operations.
- Public Information: Normal Operations.
- Infrastructure: Normal Operations.



Transportation- Green

- Transit: Normal operations.
 - Road N closed on 5/30/23 between Rd 21 and Rd 22 for Alkali Creek Bridge Replacement. Completion estimated by the first part of December.
- Railway: None
- Aviation: Normal operations.
- Maritime: Normal operations.
- Airport: Normal operations.



Hazardous Materials - Green

- Facilities: Normal Operations.
- Hazmat, Pollutants, and Contaminants: Normal Operations.
 - On 10/26/23 US HWY 160 was closed at MM7 due to a gasoline tanker overturned in the roadway and caught on fire. It was reopened 24 hours later.



STATE LIFE LINES

State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) Status Level 3

SEOC continues to support of the following: Migrant sheltering support in Denver, Marshall Fire recovery and DR4731 June Storms recovery.

SEOC is operational Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Disaster Declaration DR4731 June Severe Storms, Flooding and Tornadoes Incident

- Lincoln County in Hugo: Open Oct. 31 through Nov. 4
 - Elbert County in Kiowa: Open Nov. 6 - Nov. 11
 - Logan County in Sterling: Open Nov. 14 - Nov. 18
- August 25, 2023 President Biden approved Colorado's disaster declaration request and it is formally known as [DR4731](#).



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG):

- 2023 Grant was officially awarded 9/14/23 for \$25,656.
- 2023 grant 1st Qtr. was submitted 4/15/23, waiting for payment.
- 2023 grant 2nd Qtr. was submitted 7/17/23, waiting for payment.
- 2023 grant 3rd Qtr. was submitted 10/10/23, waiting for payment.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP):

- County generators grant project was submitted and approved by the State in December, 2022 for the 4 remaining generators requested for County buildings. Coroners Building, Annex 1, Annex 3, and the Fairgrounds. Grant will pay 90% of the cost. Grant request \$170,486.40 was submitted Dec 2022. County 10% capital cost is \$17,048.64 for three-year project. FEMA corresponded on 7/13/23 with questions and we responded. Awaiting final FEMA approval award. Because of federal funding cuts within FEMA, we are on a holding pattern for this funding until further notice.
- The County will update the Hazard Mitigation Plan beginning in June of 2024 with a completion date of December 2025. This occurs every 5 years. The Grant Notice of Intent (NOI) was submitted for \$50,000.

Local Emergency Planning Committee (From LEPC Chair):

- No updates

Memo of Understanding (MOU):

- Omnibus agreement (MOU) for County and Municipalities is under review by attorney and Administrator to present to the BOCC.

Public Information Coordinator (PIO):

- Working to promote the new Everbridge Emergency Alert System through press releases, media interviews, flyers, and personal demonstrations, as well as normal, daily duties.

Southwest All Hazards Advisory Council (SWAHAC):

- Most of the projects had approval from the State on the 2023-2024 Grant. Some needed more detail justification to be re-submitted. A final list of projects and amounts will be developed in the coming months.

Training and Exercise Plan (TEP) and Intergraded Preparedness Plan (IPP):

- New 3-year plans for 2024-2026 for the County have been submitted to the state and approved.

Training/Drills:

- October 24th the EM attended FEMA MGT 417 Crisis Management Course for 8 hours.
- October 25th and 26th the EM instructed an Active Shooter Class for 13 students.
- November 1st the EM held an ICS 100/700/800 8-hour class for 13 County employees.
- November 6th and 7th the EM held an ICS 100/200/700/800 16-hour class for 7 students.
- November 8th the Tactical Interoperability Plan Exercise was performed in the SW Region. Montezuma County participated with 23 agencies along with the EOC Staff.
- November 11th an aircraft simulated crash exercise was performed in the Pleasant View area with 15 responders.
- November 14th – 16th the ICS 300 24-hour class was held for the SW Region at the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. 20 students attended.
- November 29th the EM will hold a 4-hour Unified command class for the SW Region.