

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

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## **EOC/DOC ACTIVATIONS**

### **County EOC:**

- Activated full EOC operations to support consequence management for the Officer in line of duty death. Activated on 11/29/23 at 1600 hours and deactivated on 12/7/23 at 1500 hours. 7 staff members were assigned to EOC positions.
- EOC currently 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 12/8/23.
  - Everbridge training complete. Working on final software details and the old EAS will be terminated in Jan 2024.
- 911 Dispatch: Normal Operations.
  - Installing new phone system and recorder.
- Responder Communications: Normal Operations.
- Finance Services: Normal Operations.
- Public Information: Normal Operations.
- Infrastructure: Normal Operations.



### **Transportation- Green**

- Transit: Normal operations.
  - Road N was closed on 5/30/23 between Rd 21 and Rd 22 for Alkali Creek Bridge Replacement. Completion was on 11/30/23 and road was opened.
- 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 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**

On August 25, 2023 President Biden approved Colorado's disaster declaration request and it is formally known as [DR4731](#). The declaration activates the [FEMA Public Assistance \(PA\) grant program](#) and U.S. [Small Business Administration Disaster Assistance](#).





## ***EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT***

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

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

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

- EM beginning the 3-year revision plan of the previous Oct 2021 Plan. This will be a 10-month process with numerous stakeholder meetings for the federal mandatory update. Completion date November 2024.

### **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP):**

- County generators grant project approved.
  - Total Project Cost is \$170,486.40, with the FEMA Federal Share amount of \$154,249.60. Here is the breakdown:
  - \$146,131.20 (Federal Share)
  - \$8,118.40 (Subrecipient Management Costs (SRMC) at 100% Federal Share)
  - \$16,236.80 (Local Share)
  - Final approval was given on 12/12/23 and we are in the process of getting the final grant agreements with the State.
- 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 attorneys and Administrators to present to the BOCC.

### **Public Information Coordinator (PIO):**

- Assisted City of Cortez and the EOC in media dissimulation and coordination for the Fallen Officer Event.
- Working to promote the new Everbridge Emergency Alert System through press releases, media interviews, flyers, and personal demonstrations, as well as normal, daily duties.
- Held a Joint Information Center (JIC) meeting with the county Public Information Officers on 11/21/23 and reviewed the Emergency Operations Plan on JICs.

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

- Most of the projects were approval from the State on the 2023-2024 Grant. Our project, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), needed more detail justification to be re-submitted.
- Community Preparedness & Resilience, CERT for \$11,000.00: Student supplies (manuals, safety equipment, first aid, etc.). This project will develop a program to train volunteers from Montezuma and Dolores Counties. Approximately 30 volunteers are anticipated to participate in the first session. The project will support planning, equipment, and training costs for the three sessions.

### **Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP) and Training and Exercise Plan (TEP)**

- 3-year plans for 2024-2026 for the County were submitted to the state in 2023 and approved. EM working on the 2025-2027 revised plan with stakeholders.

### **Training/Drills:**

- November 29<sup>th</sup> the EM was held a 4-hour Unified command class for the SW Region.
- November 21<sup>st</sup> the PIO held a JIC meeting with several PIOs in the County.
- December 14<sup>th</sup> the EOC staff and PIO co-sponsored the Community Involvement Expo at Annex 1 from 16:00 to 20:00 hours. Approximately 48 public safety and non-profit entities attended to match potential volunteers to organizations. A better than anticipated turnout from the public.
- Developed a Traffic Incident Plan (TIMS) for HWY 491 for the winter of 23-24.
- EM organizing county wide training for "Create your Legacy" presentations being held at the Ute Mountain Ute Casino March 27, 28, 29, and 30, a total

of 6 – three-hour sessions. Beyond traditional management roles, this training is a dedicated “Strategic Intervention”, committed to fostering growth and development in individuals and teams, with a servant leadership mindset. Flyers and information coming out in January 2025.

- EM assisting RE-1 school district in active shooter training, tabletops, and functional exercises for 2024. Numerous meetings and training throughout 2023 to prepare for 2024.