

Montezuma County Office of Emergency Management
February 2025
Monthly Situation Report



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COUNTY LIFE LINES

Meaning of key Lifeline colors:

Green stabilization;

Yellow solution ID and plan of action in progress;

Red services disrupted.

EOC/DOC ACTIVATIONS

County EOC:

- EOC was not activated.
- All Lifelines are at **“Green”** Status. WebEOC reporting monthly.

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
 - 14 notifications went out this month
- 911 Dispatch: Normal Operations.
- Responder Communications: Normal Operations.
- Finance Services: Normal Operations.
- Public Information: Normal Operations.
- 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 3

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

Lifelines all **Green**



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Colorado Emergency Preparedness Assessment (CEPA)

- The 2022 CEPA was completed and is required to be updated every 3 years. This year we are in the process of updating the CEPA for 2025. Planning meetings with the State, EM and stakeholders are scheduled and additional statistics were provided by the EM to the State for review.

Community Animal Response Team (CART)

- CSU, Public Health and the EM continue discussions on building a CART for Dolores/Montezuma Counties. Planning team has a draft procedure and will present the plan to the BOCC workshop March 10, 2025.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

- Members are attending various trainings/exercises in Dolores/Montezuma County.
- February 13th team meeting was Medical Triage training and drills. at the EMS Station
- Next team training will be February 12th on Reunification.

Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP).

- COOP for Annex 3 completed. Beginning the COOP for the Administration Building having Planning team meetings in March.

Communications

- Inspection of the Dolores Tower site 5/10/24 for infrastructure upgrades. Documents submitted to USDA-FS are approved. Homeland Security Grant approval obtained. Moving forward with the project in the Spring.
- County planning project to reprogram all 800MHz radios in the Montezuma County, Dolores County and Ute Mountain Ute Tribe began 4/1/24. Vendor was selected. Working on logistics. This project should be completed by 03/31/25, depending on the scheduling, weather, and availability of equipment.
- Secure Rural Schools Program funding for \$43,636.49 was approved by the BOCC for Emergency Management Communication Equipment. We have ordered the equipment and it should be delivered by late March 2025.

Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG):

- 2024 EMPG Grant 4th Qtr. submitted for \$29,518.50 and was reimbursed in February.
- 2025 EMPG Grant application was submitted for \$57,103. Waiting on Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to come out from FEMA for the grant in 2025.

Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)

- EM and Public Health EM completed the 3-year revision plan of the previous Oct 2021 EOP. Completed and approved December 10th, 2024. Ongoing updates will continue as needed for the next 3 years.

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. End date on the grant is 2/01/27. Reimbursement requests for \$125,060.62 have been submitted, State approved \$112,579.85 this quarter. We are awaiting FEMA approval.
- The County has begun the process to update the Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). This process occurs every 5 years. Actual costs were collected on the planning grant for 2025. BOCC determined a cost, and the final budget documents were completed. Waiting on Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to come out for the grant in 2025.

Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP)

- The 3-year plan for 2025-2027 for the County was finalized and submitted to the state and stakeholders on 4/16/24.
- SW Regional meeting was held to finalize the Regional IPP.
- EM is continuing the process with stakeholders on updating the County IPP to 2026-2028.

Local Emergency Planning Committee (From LEPC Chair):

- EHS facility tours will begin in a few months for the generation of this year's EAP.

Public Information Coordinator (PIO):

- Continuing to assist the public in getting signed up for Everbridge.
- Assisted County Admin with administrative duties.

Southwest All Hazards Advisory Council (SWAHAC):

- EM has been approved for no-match grants. Status on the projects are:
 - A Star Link mobile communication system and service – in progress.
 - Antennas and radio base station for EOC - in progress.
 - Communication Towers Infrastructure - in progress.
 - EOC electronics - in progress.
 - Radio re-programming – in progress
 - CERT training and equipment – in progress
 - SW Regional Exercise – in progress

Training/Drills:

- EM attended TLO training on Aerotropolis, a planned urban development centered around Denver International Airport (DEN)
- EM attended training from DHS on Securing Our Communities.
- EM gave a presentation to Hospice on Emergency Management

2025 Stats Report

- Total calls assigned – 14
- Total declarations County wide – 0
- Total fire bans - 0
- Total deployments for EM Staff – 0
- Total EOC activations – 0
- Total Alert and Warnings/Weather sent out – 22
- Total SAR missions - 0
- Total LEPC facilities inspected – 0
- Total Biomass facilities inspected - 2
- Total trainings held – 3
- Total EOC trainings held - 1
- Total exercises/tabletops – 1
- Total training certificates received – 4

- Total planning/stakeholder meetings – 85
- Total Committees / Boards representing - 27
- Total MOU, IGA, MMAs completed – 0
- Total plans/policies written – 1
- Total grants involved in – 12

END OF REPORT