

Montezuma County Office of Emergency Management

August 2025

Monthly Situation Report



Brush Fire

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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 were disrupted.

EOC/DOC ACTIVATIONS

County EOC:

- EOC was activated for Stoner Mesa Fire, hybrid model, on 7/28/25 to assist with consequence management for both Montezuma County and Dolores County. EOC terminated 9/1/25.
- All Lifelines are at **"Green"** Status. Web EOC reporting monthly.

Disaster Emergency Declarations:

- On 5/26/21 Ute Mountain Ute Tribe declared a drought disaster and it is still in effect.
- On 6/2/25 Governor Polis designated Montezuma County as a primary disaster area due to recent drought.

Fire Stages:

- Fire ban for Montezuma County starting July 1st is still in effect.
- All federal agencies on Stage 2 restrictions August 8th

Fires:

- 7/28/25 Stoner Mesa Fire (Dolores County) 10, 249 Acres – 45% contained
- 8/2/25 Walters Canyon Fire 208 acres Ute Mt. Ute – 100% contained.

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.
- C02: Normal Operations.

Communications – Green

- Alerts, Warnings, and Messages: Normal Operations
- 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 CEPA for 2025 is completed.

Community Animal Response Team (CART)

- Monthly meetings and training are being held. August was a site visit at the Sale Barn.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

- Monthly meetings and training are being held. August training was on EMS/Medical response

Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP).

- Working on a COOP for Maintenance Building.

Communications

- The inspection of the Dolores Tower site was on 5/10/24 for infrastructure upgrades. Documents submitted to USDA-FS are approved. Department of Homeland Security Grant approval obtained. Waiting on DHS funding.

Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG):

- 2025 EMPG Grant application was submitted for \$57,103. Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) came out for the grant in July.
- 1st Qtr. reimbursement was submitted for \$21,000.12.
- 2nd Qtr. reimbursement was submitted for \$25,064.08

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP):

- County generators grant has 98% of the project completed. 3rd Qtr. work plan and reimbursements submitted. Completion estimated September 30th for close out.

- Hazard Mitigation Plan planning grant was submitted August to the National Disaster Mitigation Enterprise for funding.

Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP)

- Completed.

Local Emergency Planning Committee (From LEPC Chair):

- Local Emergency Planning Committee meetings were held.

Southwest All Hazards Advisory Council (SWAHAC):

- EM has been approved for no-match grants. These grants do not pass through the County for financial support or approval. They are an outside fiscal agent.
- Status on the projects are:
 - Antennas and radio base station for EOC - on hold.
 - Communication Towers Infrastructure - on hold.
 - Alternate EOC electronics - on hold.
 - CERT training and equipment – on hold.
 - SW Regional Exercise – on hold.

Training/Drills:

- EM attended Pipeline Response Drill 8/5/25
- EM presented PVFD Active Threat Response Training 8/12/25
- EM presented PLFD Radio Training 8/26/25
- EM attended TLO Talk Training 8/27/25

2025 Stats Report

- Total calls assigned – 43
- Total declarations County wide – 0
- Total fire bans - 1
- Total deployments for EM Staff – 0
- Total EOC activations – 1
- Total Alert and Warnings and Weather Alerts sent out – 613
- Total SAR missions - 8
- Total LEPC facilities inspected – 1
- Total Biomass facilities inspected - 2
- Total trainings held – 20
- Total EOC training held - 5
- Total exercises/tabletops – 5
- Total training certificates received – 14
- Total planning/stakeholder meetings – 341
- Total Committees / Boards representing - 27

- Total MOU, IGA, MMAs completed – 1
- Total plans/policies written – 11
- Total grants involved in – 16

END OF REPORT