

Homeland Security Region 5 Regional Coordinating Council (RCC)

Location:

Tacoma/Pierce County EOC, Policy Room
2501 South 35th Street STE D, Tacoma, WA 98409

Agenda Items:

June 5, 2019 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Number	Item/Outcome(s)	Presenter/Facilitator
1	Welcome, Introductions, and Agenda Review Outcome: All present introduced.	Jody Ferguson
2	Past Meeting Summary Outcome: RCC reviews, adjusts, and approves the past meeting notes.	Jody Ferguson
3	Roundtable Discussion Outcome: RCC members share items of interest from their agencies and or committees.	All
4	2019 SHSP Funds Allocation Outcome: RCC members receive information about 2019 SHSP funding and provide input about training, exercise and equipment allocations.	Natalie Stice
5	Cybersecurity Outcome: RCC members receive information about the cybersecurity exercise and Region 5 Cybersecurity Resiliency CONOPS.	Natalie Stice
6	Tri-County CCTA Outcome: RCC members receive an update about planning and exercise activities.	Celia Taylor
7	RCC Risk Committee Outcome: RCC members discuss the role of the Risk Committee and propose members.	Celia Taylor
8	Adjourn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good of the order • Next meeting: July 3, 2019 	Jody Ferguson

Meeting Notes for Regional Coordinating Council (RCC) Meeting

Meeting date: April 3, 2019 **Facilitator:** Susan Wagshul-Golden **Note taker:** Donna Vitale

Attendees: Susan Wagshul-Golden, Higher Ed/UW Tacoma; Celia Taylor, PCEM; Natalie Stice, PCEM; Donna Vitale, PCEM; Bryan Chappell, PC Planning & PW; Ute Scofield, Tacoma Fire/EM; Christopher Travis, Tacoma PD; Gary Smith, RIG; Cindy Miron, TPC Health Dept.; Eileen Newton, Franciscan Health Systems; Marcie Hedman, Tacoma Public Utilities; Jayson Lelli, Tacoma Public Utilities; Woody Edvalson, City of Bonney Lake.

Topics 1 & 2: Welcome, Introductions, Agenda Review and Past Meeting Summary

Materials distributed: HLS Region 5 RCC Agenda & RCC Meeting Notes from March 6, 2019

Key points: Susan Wagshul-Golden opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions were made. Jody Ferguson apologized that she is unable to attend today's meeting due to the need to attend another meeting. Because we do not have a quorum, voting on the March 6th meeting notes will be done at the May 1, 2019 meeting.

Topic 3: Roundtable Discussion

Materials distributed: TPCD-Influenza Update-Week 12

Key points: Ute Scofield has been notified by Chief Green that she will be the RCC representative for the City of Tacoma Fire and City of Tacoma Emergency Management from now on.

Marcie Hedman said she will be retiring soon. Jason Lelli will be attending with her and will then become the RCC representative for Tacoma Public Utilities. The TPU Emergency Manager position will be posted to the TPU website on Friday. Anyone is welcome to apply.

Eileen Newton mentioned that they are continuing to prepare for the exercise in May where they will exercise the ability to act as a system, coordinate with the health department and figure out the process of receiving and delivering medication to the staff and families. In June, they will be participating in a coalition search test. NWHCRN has to do an exercise where they simulate moving a large number of hospital patients. Eileen wants to meet with Ute Scofield and Pierce County about what transportation might look like in terms of what types of resources might be available should we really need to move patients. Ute Scofield mentioned that perhaps the Tacoma Medical Services Officer should be at the table. There is still flu activity and hospitals are very full.

Cindy Miron said that although the coalition search test is an exercise on paper, they would like to do a full scale exercise in the next couple years, perhaps along with Cascadia Rising in 2022. Susan Wagshul-Golden said this will be added to next week's agenda for the training and exercise (T&E) committee. John Housdorf is now the health department representative on the T&E. The late surge for flu this year is problematic. 31 have died so far in Pierce County. Three environmental health workers went to CDP last week to learn about sheltering, public health role and some lessons learned about public health agencies working around environmental health during catastrophic incidents. They will be part of a strike team being developed at the department of health that could be dispatched both in and out of state. Pierce County did not have any identified cases of measles. Clark County is no longer in incident command but they still need to go through two infectious periods before they are clear of it.

Celia Taylor said that Chelsey Bell is facilitating a two day Threats Hazards Identification Workshop on May 1-2, 2019. The link to sign up will be available on the RCC webpage and will be emailed to everyone as well. We are going to validate the process for our threats hazards identification informed by what the UASI region did last year with FEMA guidance. The workshop will be a combination of

discussion by subject matter experts for the different threats or hazards. More specific measures were identified by FEMA so there will be more concrete ways to measure them. At the next meeting, there will be some read ahead documents about the risk workgroup that is identified in the strategic plan bylaws. Since it has not been active, we need to discuss who the right people are for that group and what are they going to do.

Natalie Stice mentioned that latest version of the final draft of the concept of operations for cyber security was sent out. We are having our federal exercise May 23rd and has been sent out to the RCC to look over. If anyone has any last minute changes before the exercise, please let Natalie know since they will be validating it during the exercise. The registration for that exercise opens tomorrow, April 4th. It will be at the EOC from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Please invite your cyber folks and your planners. We have three training courses from TEEEX this year. Natalie will send an email with links (that are live right now) to the RCC. they are as follows:

- 1) Understanding a Targeted Cyber Attack - May 30, 2019 at the Pierce County EOC
- 2) Physical & Cybersecurity for Critical Infrastructure - June 5, 2019 at West Pierce Fire Station 21
- 3) Recovering from a Cyber Incident - October 23-24, 2019 at the Pierce County EOC

We are going to refresh the classes every couple of years. There are 5 TEEEX cyber courses now. Next year we are going to have the class: Community Essentials in EOC Integration for Cyber Security. The goal is to get everyone up to higher standards in the county. We have the Pre-Summer Seminar coming up on May 14, 2019 from 08:00 AM - 12:00 PM. JCTWS registration will be closed after today. Currently there are 56 people signed up. There will be onsite registration available. We can have up to 80 people registered but we were hoping to have at least 50 to 60 registered. We are extremely happy with the scenario.

Gary Smith said that April is the month that a lot of significant things have occurred, especially with schools and governmental facilities. There has been about 17 states that have received a letter claiming some type of bombing attack at government facilities on April 21st which is Easter Sunday. They also talk about a prominent church meaning the Church of Latter Day Saints. The Daffodil Parade is also happening. Threat Assessments have been done for that. Police Departments will be handling security. Currently there are no threats seen. It looks to be a rainy day which makes the risk lower although there still is a crowd and they are still watching for it. The Spring Fair in Puyallup is also occurring which will bring some crowds. May Day is not a concern right now and we haven't have any issues with it in Pierce County in the past.

Susan Wagshul-Golden mentioned that UW Tacoma will be having a large immigration coalition conference in the William Philip Hall right off Pacific Avenue on May 2nd. They are trying to have the governor come. She has been doing the threat assessment and safety because it will be open to the public. There will be a legal clinic prior to it. They are trying to balance that by making sure folks understand that they are not a sanctuary. A meeting will be held next week about this. Gary Smith said he will check on that and let Susan know.

Topic 4: Countywide CISM/Peer Support Program

Key points: Natalie gave an update on the Peer Support Program. Pierce County was approached at the County Fire Chief's meeting to initiate a county wide peer support group that is not CISM (Critical Incident Stress Management). CISM is a program and the Peer Support is a tool. Central Pierce is currently the only one in the county that has developed a peer support program and they had 100 contacts in the first eight months. To model what they are doing, the oversight board met twice over the last two months. A plan is being developed using the Central Pierce model which will be reviewed by the county legal. They want incorporate all Police Chiefs, Fire Chiefs, PSAPs (Dispatch) and Hospitals

into this program. There will be a phase II for community peer support/CISM and will include shelter workers, rescue mission workers, city/county workers to so we don't draw the first responder resources. A culturally competent mental health professional with peer support training is desired to participate, There will be annual baseline training beginning with a three day class using the Incident Crisis Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF) program and continuing education classes. Tacoma Chaplaincy and Larry Dorothy from Thurston County has offered to teach the first year's courses. The training will be free to the agency or jurisdiction. We hope to conduct the basic three day course in October. The oversight board will be presenting at the Police Chief's, Fire Chief's, Chaplains, and so forth. Cindy Miron asked if someone could come to the next health meeting on April 16th to present this information. Natalie will post the second draft of the plan to Filelocker and send a link to the RCC members. They won't finalize the plan document until June. If any agencies currently have peer support, please send the information to Natalie so it can be documented.

Topic 5: 2018 Resource Committee Equipment Rankings

Key points: Natalie Stice gave an update on the 2018 Resource Committee Equipment Ranking. Last week, the committee met and ranked the equipment from the first submission period for this year. In trying to align the fiscal year with the calendar year, there are two submission periods. The next period will open in June and will be opened for three months. The equipment to be funded in the first period includes:

- 1) Breaching Tools - Tacoma Fire - \$3,076
- 2) Airdrop System - West Pierce Fire/Regional Water Rescue - \$6,249
- 3) Rapid Deployment Shelter System - PCDEM-Logistics - \$30,377
- 4) Forensics Scanner - Tacoma Police - \$54,214
- 5) Throwbot/Tactical Micro-Robot Systems (1) - Metro Police Technical Rescue Team - \$17,148
- 6) Sheltering System - Pierce County All-Hazards IMT - \$18,937

The items that were funded this year were accepted as submitted, except for the Metro Police Robot Systems. They agreed to reduce their submission to one robot so the IMT Sheltering System (outstanding from last year) can be purchased. If we have cost savings we will add the second one or it will be added to the list for next year.

Topic 6: Tri-County CCTA

Materials distributed: Tri-County CCTA Program Informational Sheet; Tri-County Violence Response and Prevention Training and Exercise Schedule.

Key points: Celia Taylor gave a briefing on the Tri-County CCTA. The Information Sheet reviews the program. The training and exercise schedule is a finalized list, much of which is focused on fire and law enforcement. There are a number of tabletop exercises that will be a combination seminars/tabletops where we are looking at our current practices and identifying any that won't work, coming up with practices for situational assessment and possibly identifying plans that need to be developed. The oversight committee for the CCTA is working on an invite list for all of those events. The last one is happening in May at the Tacoma Convention Center, there is a listed invitation list of 450 people and consists of all three counties. They have to look at who the critical decision makers are and how we come together and manage that. Please let people know if you are interested in attending but keep in mind that there may be some that we have to say no to. Eileen Newton mentioned that there is no hospital representation listed. It would help her to know what the objectives are. Ute said she believes the hospitals are included under public health. The exercise is still in the beginning stages of planning and they are still getting the objectives nailed down. There will be a flyer 30 days in advance of the exercise. Natalie Stice is on the planning committee and Ute Scofield is on most of the committees. If you are needing more information about the CCTA planning or exercises let them know. Please share the schedule to your peers.

Meeting Adjourned: 09:40 AM

Topics tabled for future: Voting on the March 6, 2019 Meeting notes, RCC Risk.

Follow-up meeting scheduled:

Date: May 1, 2019 **Time:** 08:30 AM - 10:00 AM **Place:** Pierce County EOC - Policy Room

Facilitator/Planner: Jody Ferguson **Note taker:** Donna Vitale

How to prepare for the meeting: Review and be prepared to vote on meeting notes from March and April.