



Stanislaus County Operational Area Council - Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 3, 2022 – 1:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order

- 1.1 Welcome

2. Roll Call

Ceres	X	Patterson	X
Hughson	—	Riverbank	X
Modesto	X	Stanislaus County	X
Newman	X	Turlock	X
Oakdale	X	Waterford	X

3. Public Comment Period

Matters under jurisdiction of the Council, and not on the posted agenda, may be addressed by the general public at the beginning of the regular agenda. However, California law prohibits the Council from taking any action on any matter that is not on the posted agenda unless it is determined an “emergency” by the Council. Any member of the public wishing to address the Council during this period will be limited to a maximum of 5 minutes.

- No public comments were offered

4. Approval of Minutes

- 4.1 Operational Area Council Minutes
 - February 3, 2022
- All in attendance in favor of approval of Feb 3, 2022 OAC meeting minutes.

5. Agenda Items

- 5.1 Recommendation to Present to Disaster Council for Approval: Extreme Cold/Freeze Contingency Plan Update
- City of Modesto made a motion to approve the recommendation with City of Newman seconding. All in attendance are in favor of submit to the Disaster Council for approval at the July 2022 meeting.

6. Operational Area Presentations and Reports

- 6.1 Presentations:
 - Central Valley Regional VOAD Sonja Edd-Bennett
 - See attached presentation “CVR VOAD 5.3.22”
 - CVR VOAD is actively recruiting new membership. Email cvrvoad@gmail.com with any questions or to refer a voluntary agency or community partner that may benefit from the CVR VOAD.
 - NWS Weather Outlook Courtney Carpenter
 - See attached presentation “NWS Report 5.3.22”

- 6.2 Office of Emergency Services Reports OES Staff
- OES Staffing Updates
 - OES hired a new Emergency Services Coordinator, Julissa Matute, whose focus area will be drafting and updating emergency plans.
 - EMS Incorporation Update
 - Stanislaus will become a local single County EMS authority on July 1. County is in process of hiring a new EMS Director.
 - Stanislaus County Emergency Plan Updates
 - Extreme Cold/Freeze Contingency Plan updated and recommended to submit to Disaster Council for approval.
 - Fire Season Update
 - Fire season is upon us and the Fire Warden's Office recommends that communities prepare for home fires (<https://www.ready.gov/home-fires>) and wild fires (<https://www.ready.gov/wildfires>).
 - County Security & Fusion Center Updates
 - Ralph Ghimenti is leading the transition of Security and Fusion Center and Lt. Lloyd Mackinnon has been hired to replace Ron Reid.
 - OES Training Opportunities
 - New course – intermediate PIO, training is next week (May 10-12) and registration is at: <https://www.stanoes.com/training.shtm>
 - RFP for next fiscal year trainings in process, new training calendar to be posted by July 1.
 - Legislative and Regulatory Updates
 - NSTR (nothing significant to report)
- 6.3 Sheriff's Department Update Sheriff Dirkse
- NRP (no report provided)
- 6.4 Public Health Update Dr. Vaishampayan
- PH DOC for COVID was activated on Feb. 6, 2020 and finally deactivated on April 26, 2022 and HSA has returned to day-to-day operations. New COVID strain on the rise and in mid-April hospitalizations went up to about 19 daily average COVID census patients from an average of nine (9) daily previously.
 - We also have Influenza A and Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) circulating, but these are not impacting Stanislaus at this time. We expect to see a normal influenza season this year.
- 6.5 Cal OES Update Cal OES Staff
- Cal OES will be offering Emergency Management Mutual Aid (EMMA) Training to OAs and Stanislaus training opportunity will be in the Fall.
- 6.6 Member Reports Council Members
- City of Ceres - NSTR
 - City of Hughson - NRP

- City of Modesto
 - Chief Wise provided a Modesto Fire update and advised that MFD is regionalizing to represent 6 of 9 cities in the County and 4 unincorporated areas. Have recently taken on agreements with Stanislaus Consolidated and Turlock Fire. Also working with Cal-Fire to form Type 3 Incident Management Team (IMT) of 12 personnel that can support a large incident.
- City of Newman - NSTR
- City of Oakdale - NSTR
- City of Patterson - NRP
- City of Riverbank - NSTR
- City of Turlock - NSTR
- City of Waterford - NSTR
- County of Stanislaus - NSTR

6.7 Partner Reports

OA Partners

- Cal OES - NRP
- Fire - NRP
- EMS - NRP
- Law Enforcement - NRP
- Agricultural Commissioner - NSTR
- Public Works - NRP
- Utilities
 - TID reporting that the Don Pedro EAP has been updated and disseminated to partners via regular mail. La Grange Dam EAP was also updated and issued out and Turlock Lake EAP update is being finalized. Will be exercising some of these plans soon. OI present with NSTR.
- National Weather Service - NRP
- Other Agencies – No additional reports provided.

7. Announcements

7.1 Meeting Schedules

- The next Operational Area Council meeting will be held on **July 21, 2022**
- The next Disaster Council meeting will be held on **July 28, 2022**

8. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 2:37pm