



Municipality of Anchorage

Office of Emergency Management

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Public Safety Committee
OEM Updates
January 3, 2024

1. Response

- a. November Snow Event 11/8 - 11/17/2023
 - i. Pre-event- alerts for hazardous weather Winter storm warning, flood watch
 - ii. Provided Weather service coordination and liaison
 - iii. Public information and alerting support and coordination

2. Preparedness

- a. Planning
 - i. Anchorage Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC). 12/13/2023 Quarter 4 meeting.
 1. Update from National Weather Service (NWS) Warning Coordination Meteorologist on November storm and additional products available.
 2. Shared annual update for the all-hazard mitigation plan including new funding for projects through Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and FEMA.
 3. Welcomed as voting members Anchorage Fire Department (AFD) Fire Marshall Brian Dean and Anchorage Police Department (APD) Captain Brian Wilson.
 4. Still have openings for seats on this committee representing: transportation, community group, elected official, media.
 5. For all Anchorage LEPC info, go to:
<https://www.muni.org/departments/oem/plans/pages/lepc.aspx> .
 - ii. 12/19/2023 Kicked off the update of MOA public information center plan, Integrated Public Alert and Warning System implementation plan, Emergency Alert System plan
 - iii. Snow emergency response planning.
 1. Extreme Weather Annex EE enhancements
 2. Using the current [Anchorage All-Hazard Emergency Operations Plan \(EOP\)](#) and other existing plans and policy
 3. Working with departments and external stakeholders to identify critical tasks and share.
- b. Exercise (HIGHLIGHT)
 - i. March 4-8, 2024 – AlaskaEx – 9.2 earthquake scenario
 1. Full Scale Exercise
 2. State led w/neighbors in Mat-Su, Cordova, Valdez, Kenai Peninsula Borough.
 3. Anchorage Participants
 - a. Internal - OEM, APD, AFD, AHD, AWWU, GIS
 - b. Partners- Red Cross, Weather Service, Salvation Army, United Way
 4. Core Capabilities testing- alert and warning, operational coordination and communication, situation assessment, search and rescue, mass care.



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3. Recovery

- a. Federally-declared disasters:
 - i. 2018 Earthquake:
 1. \$38,963,542.56 Projected Amount
 2. \$27,895,620.32 Total Paid (as of 12/22/23)
 - ii. COVID-19:
 1. \$126,798,397.94 Projected Amount
 2. \$121,364,639.20 Total paid (as of 12/22/23)
- b. State-declared disasters:
 - i. 2021 Southcentral Storm: (100% reimbursed)- Permanent work @ Ruane Road is pending funding.
 - ii. 2022 Hiland Avalanche: (100% reimbursed)- Closed on 12/6