

2019 6th Annual National Joint Tribal Emergency Management Conference

in Partnership with

Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council (Host and 16th Annual Event)
National Tribal Emergency Management Council
Montana Indian Nation Working Group
Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona
Inter-Tribal Long-Term Recovery Foundation
SourceWell (Previously known as National Joint Powers Alliance, NJPA)



**Hosted by the Oneida Nation, Wisconsin
Radisson Hotel and Conference Center
Green Bay, Wisconsin
August 21st-23rd, 2019**

**(4) Exciting Pre-Conference Trainings will be available August 19th – August 20th
(Ham Radio Tech License Training, Interdiction for the Protection of Children, RTIPP, & Tribal Debris Removal)**

2019 NTEMC AGENDA

Here is a preview of some of the exciting presentations that are currently being scheduled:

United States Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA)
United States Department of Health and Human Services, CDC/OPHPR/DSLRL
National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC)
NDP Training Center University of Hawaii
United States Department of Homeland Security Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP)
National Center for Biomedical Research and Training (NCBRT)
TEEX/National Emergency Response and Recover Training Center (NERRTC)
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
United States Department of Commerce FirstNet Unscripted
SourceWell (Previously known as National Joint Powers Alliance, NJPA)
Northern Burlington Santa Fe
National Tribal Amateur Radio Association
Northwest Healthcare Response Network
United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
NOAA and the National Weather Service

We have also arranged for some very special guests:
Tracey M DePew, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians
Robert DesRosier, Blackfeet Nation, Montana Indian Nations Working Group
Texas Department of Public Safety, Crimes Against Children Education, Training and Research

AUGUST 21ST – AUGUST 23RD
NATIONAL TRIBAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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Pre-Conference Training Opportunities

August 19th – 20th, 2019

Hosted by the Oneida Nation

Pre-Conference Training Open to All Attendees

Free of Charge

HAM RADIO OPERATOR LICENSING



Monday, August 19th, 2019

Main Event Center

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Day 1: Ham Radio Training

Training Materials will be provided in advance for those that register

Tuesday, August 20th, 2019

Main Event Center

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Day 2: Ham Radio Training & Testing

Sample Questions and Answers will be provided in advance of the test for studying purposes to help increase your chances of becoming licensed.

SPECIAL EVENTS – You Won't Want to Miss This!

Please Stop by and Just Say Hi! We will be operating the Ham Radio Station all week long. Watch for the signs.

We will also be presenting during the main conference August 22nd, 2019. Please check your agenda for our presentation featuring:

Effective Emergency Communications with a Handheld Ham Radio, Getting Started - Steve Aberle

Presented by: Dave Catalano, Lead Instructor

EMAIL Lynda@ntarc.org to register for this class

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Louisiana State University National Center for Biomedical Research and Training

Readiness: Training Identification and Preparedness Planning (MGT-418)

August 19th and 20th, 2019
(2 Day Course)
Main Event Center

This course teaches participants how to create effective training plans for their agencies and jurisdictions. By evaluating their abilities to meet their emergency operations plan (EOP) using traditional and national preparedness tools, participants can answer the following critical readiness questions:

- How prepared do we need to be?
- How prepared are we?
- How do we prioritize efforts to close the difference?

Agencies that plan and train together are much better equipped to successfully respond together. In this course, participants learn a Jurisdiction Training Assessment Process in which an integrated assessment team creates a jurisdictional profile and evaluates their abilities to meet their EOP. Participants are then able to identify and catalog training gaps and identify ways to close them by prioritizing training efforts, developing improvement plans and implementing a course of action.

Hours: 16.0 (Direct Delivery)

Format: Instructor-Led Training (Direct Delivery)

DHS Course #: MGT-418

Professional Disciplines

Law Enforcement, Emergency Medical Service, Emergency Management Agency, Fire Service, Hazardous Materials, Public Works, Governmental Administrative, Public Safety Communication, Healthcare, Public Health The target audience for the **Direct Delivery** version of this course must include individuals from each discipline whose responsibilities include the following:

- Plan development, including emergency operations plan
- Training needs determination and management
- Resource allocation and management (personnel, equipment and systems)
- Purchasing and logistics management
- Exercise coordination, development and evaluation
- Capabilities evaluation
- Organizational design and management

Presented by: TBA

Email: Lynda@nwtemc.org to register for this class.

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August 19th and August 20th, 2019

Interdiction for the Protection of Children

The Texas Department of Public Safety (TXDPS) has developed a training course, Interdiction for the Protection of Children (IPC), to help patrol officers identify and rescue endangered or exploited children and identify those who pose a high-risk threat to a child. While patrol officers are well-trained and highly proficient in making observations of suspicious behaviors leading to arrests and successful interdictions of illicit drugs, weapons, and currency, we work to expand their training and knowledge so they can take a victim centered approach in working child victimization cases and identifying those who offend against children.

IPC is a comprehensive training course covering topics from understanding victims and offenders, legal issues and authority, working with children, the officer's role to understanding indicators, intelligence reporting as well as identifying and working with local/state resources such as child and victim services.

The IPC program is not only a Human Trafficking class, but a Crimes Against Children Class. IPC is a program that helps patrol officers identify Technology Facilitated Crimes Against Children, Missing Children, Human Trafficking/Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children, High Risk Threats Against Children and Sex Offender Compliance/Registration.

IPC uses a multidisciplinary approach to training. TXDPS can present a 2 Day Basic IPC course or 5 Day Train the Trainer Course for departments who intend to partner with TXDPS to provide ongoing training to officers and recruits.

DPS Helps Rescue More Than 70 Endangered Children in 2016

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) announced today that DPS Troopers – with the support of the DPS Interdiction for the Protection of Children (IPC) program, the Texas Rangers and DPS Special Agents – rescued 76 missing, exploited or at-risk children and initiated 42 related criminal investigations in 2016.

“Children who go missing, who are abused or at-risk of being abused don’t always make an outcry for help when they encounter an officer,” said DPS Director Steven McCraw. “For this reason, the department’s IPC program is an indispensable tool; it has helped law enforcement across Texas, the nation and internationally to protect vulnerable victims, and ensure the criminals who target children face the full force of the law.”

The IPC program was implemented in 2009 to teach law enforcement officers how to recognize indicators of endangered children who do not actively seek out help or exhibit obvious signs of abuse. As a result of receiving this specialized and targeted training, law enforcement officers can more readily identify and rescue children and arrest suspects.

As part of the 2016 totals, 19 children were rescued and 11 DPS IPC investigations were initiated in *December alone*. Additionally, DPS Victim Services counselors also provided emotional support and referrals to other resources to 181 of the rescued children and family members last year.

The 42 criminal investigations initiated in 2016 focused on various alleged crimes, including: 20 cases of sexual assault of a child; 10 cases of possession of child pornography; two cases of human trafficking; two cases of indecency with a child; and three cases of potential registered sex offender non-compliance.

Since the program's inception, DPS has initiated more than 100 criminal investigations, and rescued more than 250 children as a result of this training. DPS partners with various law enforcement, victim services and Child Protective Services agencies to provide IPC training. To date, DPS has provided IPC training to its own officers as well as more than 6,500 other law enforcement and child protective service professionals in Texas, across the country and internationally. This training has also assisted other agencies in implementing similar programs within their own jurisdictions.

To Register for this class: Email: Lynda@nwtemc.org

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Tribal Disaster Debris Management Training

August 19-20, 2019

Hosted by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 5 and the Oneida Nation

IS YOUR TRIBE PREPARED TO MANAGE DEBRIS AFTER A DISASTER?

U.S. EPA Region 5 is sponsoring a Tribal Disaster Debris Management Training in partnership with the Oneida Nation. This training is geared towards tribal staff involved in emergency management, waste management, public works, planning, and other areas. Debris management is an integral part of emergency management, especially in response to extreme weather or other disasters. Tribes that incorporate sustainable materials management into their disaster debris management plans will also be better prepared to handle disaster debris in a more efficient, environmentally beneficial manner. Tribal staff will have the opportunity to work in small groups with staff from other tribal and other governmental agencies to begin developing effective, sustainable debris management plans before disasters strike.



Training Objectives:

- Develop the essential components of a disaster debris management plan.
- Understand the climate resilience, disaster debris, and emergency response interconnection.
- Engage in dialogue with various entities representing potential stakeholders critical to disaster debris response and recovery.
- Learn about available tools and resources for effective, sustainable disaster debris management.

Registration:

Space is limited. Please register by **June 21, 2019** by emailing Dolly Tong at tong.dolly@epa.gov your:

Name, Title
Affiliation, Address
Phone, Email

If you have any questions, please contact Dolly Tong at tong.dolly@epa.gov or 312-886-1019.

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August 20th, 2019
(1 Day Focus Group)

FEMA HIGHER EDUCATION 1 DAY TRIBAL FOCUS GROUP

Agenda to Be Announced

Facilitator: Wendy Walsh, Higher Education Program Manager, FEMA
National Training and Education Division

Invited Attendees to Include:

Del Ostenberg, Chairman of the NTEMC

Joe Turrey, Vice Chairman/Secretary of the NTEMC

Robert DesRosier, Blackfeet Nation

Richard Zambrano, Snoqualmie Indian Tribe

Anita Huff, Chairwoman of the Northern California TEMC (NCTEMC)

John Pennington, Pierce College, Centers of Excellence for Homeland Security

John Smistad and Craig Johnson, Grand Canyon University

University of Nebraska Omaha Tribal Certificate Program

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Tuesday, August 20th, 2019

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Early bird registration and Vendor Set -Up

Wednesday, August 21st, 2019

8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Registration

Continental Breakfast will be served from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

MORNING SESSIONS

This year's conference will kick off all events in the Main Event Center. Our conference will have a resounding theme as this year's events will be built around "Education, Training and Interactive Roundtables." Come and let your voice be heard. Our Main Event this year will allow participants to interact directly with our Tribal, Federal, State and Local partners. Please join us in the Pavilion for all General sessions as well as visit kiosks that will provide you the opportunity to find Grants, Resources, and Information that will assist you with developing, enhancing and further building your program's capacity and capabilities. Event Center Map and Kiosk locations can be found on the last page.

9:00a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

Welcome- Chairperson of the Oneida Nation

▲ Tribal Welcome – (Chairman, Oneida Nation)

▲ Present the Colors – Oneida Nation Color Guard

▲ Opening Drum and Prayer – (Oneida Nation Drum Group)

9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

"Welcome to the 6th Annual National Tribal Emergency Management Conference" – Del Ostenberg (Suquamish Tribal Member), Emergency Manager and Commander for the Emergency Services Department of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Indians), Chairman of the National Tribal Emergency Management Council (NTEMC)

9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

RESERVED for VIP

9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

"NTEMC 6th Year in Review" – Lynda Zambrano, Executive Director, NTEMC and Richard Flores, Legislative Affairs and Tribal Relations Director, NTEMC

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Morning Break (coffee, morning snacks)

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

"Office of Human Services, Emergency Preparedness and Response" - Natalie Grant, Director

11:00 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.

"United States Government Accountability Office" – Crystal Huggins, Senior Analyst, Government Accountability Office

11:40 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

"FEMA Headquarters - A Year in Review" Denise (Bambi) Kraus, FEMA, National Tribal Affairs Advisor

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch – Please feel free to visit one of the Radisson's Food Venues for lunch today. There are so many places to choose from and a favorite for everyone. Just be sure to be back at 1:00 p.m. We wouldn't want you to miss anything! Check out the next page for suggestions for lunch.

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Oneida Nation Radisson houses over a dozen restaurants and lounges to choose from, and even more on the way this summer. So, you can enjoy whatever you're craving, from a fine-dining steakhouse experience to a burger on the go. Not to mention Green Bay's best sports bar, a premium cigar lounge and even more family-friendly restaurant options than ever.

Grill Masters—Your favorite burgers, grilled sandwiches, hot dogs and sides

Wild Card Deli—Breakfast sandwiches, loaded spuds, signature salads, soup and more

Chicken Fry Fry—Everything chicken fried chicken, chicken sandwiches and chicken tenders

Noodle Bar—A taste of the Far East

Pine Tree Grill—Located in the Hotel lobby

Fry Break Heaven—Don't miss out on Frybread and Indian Tacos

Purcell's Lounge—Fun atmosphere and tasty cocktails

The Lodge—Tasty mixed cocktails and a great lineup of sandwiches

12:00 p.m. – 12:50 p.m. Field Trip to the National Weather Service

We have arranged for a special field trip today to the National Weather Service located within 5 minutes of the facility. If you are interested in attending the tour, please sign up at the registration desk before noon. There will be another tour today at 3:00 p.m. and tomorrow over the lunch hour, as well.

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

1:00 pm – 1:30 p.m. "Regional Emergency Communications Coordination Working Group (RECCWG)" – Ken Howdeshell, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, FEMA Region V, IT Branch Chief

1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. "Sourcewell" – Jim Kane, Membership Development Administrator,

1:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. "Education, Training and Free Resources" -: A panel discussion regarding higher educational opportunities, free training and free resources available for public safety and public health" – We will have many different education partners, resources and opportunities present during this very new and exciting session.

- Grand Canyon University
- Pierce College, Centers for Excellence, Homeland Security
- CDP
- NDPTC

3:00 p.m.– 4:00 p.m. Field Trip to the National Weather Service

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SPECIAL EVENT SCHEDULED FOR OUR GUESTS

3:00pm – 4:00pm



Efforts are underway to deploy, operate and maintain our country's first nationwide public safety wireless broadband network. The First Responder Network Authority, its private partner AT&T, and FirstNet vendors will provide an update about FirstNet deployment and the new technology riding upon this network. In an emergency, communication is critical to response efforts. Emergency Drop Kits are one of the tools being designed for use during emergencies in rural and tribal areas. These portable kits will envelop first responders in a 300-foot "connected bubble," letting them maintain constant communication to better coordinate their response. Incident commanders will be able to drop in the kits for rapid connectivity to FirstNet. During this breakout session, NTEMC members can learn and ask questions about FirstNet and the new solutions making communications simpler, safer, faster and more effective for public safety.

Welcome and FirstNet Update

Adam Geisler and Margaret Gutierrez, National Tribal Liaisons, First Responder Network Authority

FirstNet Solutions Overview

Lauren Paolini, Principal Solutions Consultant, FirstNet Built with AT&T
Carrie Johnson, Director of Strategy & Policy, FirstNet Built with AT&T

FirstNet Solution Spotlight: Emergency Drop Kits

Carolyn Cuppernull, Director of Business Development, Inmarsat Government
Brian Plunkett, Solutions Engineer, Inmarsat Government

Q&A ***Both FirstNet Built with AT&T and Inmarsat Government will have exhibit booths. After this breakout session, feel free to continue the conversation during the "Meet our Sponsors" Marketplace Networking Session, scheduled from 3:00pm - 6:00pm.***

4:15pm – 4:40pm "Communications, Tower Leases and Management of Tribal Assets" - James Kennedy,
4:40pm – 5:00pm "Fast Command" – Kevin Foote

The NTEMC's New MARKETPLACE

3:00 p.m. – 6:00 pm "Meet our Sponsors" – You asked, and we listened! Our attendees have stated that they find great value added in having time to meet, network with, and develop ongoing relationships with the many vendors and sponsors that we bring to the conference. This year, we have built in this time slot for you to visit with these very important partners and learn more about who they are and what they have to offer for your program. We also begin the silent auction tonight, as well as will be serving appetizers and drinks for your pleasure. This is your time to meet the people that have the resources that can help you build your program to the best it can be. Come see everyone and say hello!

Please Join Us for Dinner

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The National Tribal Emergency Management Council and the Oneida Nation invite you join us as we celebrate the culture of the Tribe, while sharing a meal together. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. for a special presentation by the Oneida Nation, to be followed by dinner service at 7:00 p.m.

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Thursday, August 22nd, 2019

GENERAL SESSIONS in the EVENT CENTER

- 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. “Updates from the FEMA Hazard Mitigation External Stakeholder Working Group” – Paula Gutierrez, Disaster Recovery Manager, Santa Clara Pueblo Tribe, Kaylynn Gresham, Director of Emergency Management, Oneida Nation, Tracy DePew, EMT-1, Director of Emergency Management, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians
- 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. “Update: Levee Inventory and Review Program” – Jennifer Stevens, US Army Corps of Engineers
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. BREAK
- 10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. “BNSF” – Quannah Spencer, Tribal Liaison, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway
- 10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. “Nuclear Regulatory Commission” – Sandra Talley, Federal State and Tribal Program Branch, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
- 11:15 a.m. – 11:45 p.m. “Building a Weather-Ready Nation Remains the NWS Strategic Outcome” – Chris Wamsley, NWS Congressional Affairs, NWS Tribal Liaison, National Weather Service
- 11:45 a.m. – 12:00. p.m. “Enhanced Driver License/Enhanced Tribal Card” – Laura Francois-Eugene, SCBPO/Program Manager, Enhanced Driver License/Enhanced Tribal Card, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

12:00 p.m. – 12:50 p.m. Field Trip to the National Weather Service

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12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

Have you ever wanted to have ice cream for lunch? Today is your lucky day! Visit our new MarketPlace and enjoy your favorite dog, followed by a little bit of ice cream with your favorite toppings.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 22nd, 2019

1:00 – 1:50	“EPA Office of Emergency Management/Tribe Oil & Chemical Spills 101/Regulatory Update” – Nick Nichols,	“Effective Emergency Communications with a Handheld Ham Radio” – Green Bay Mike & Key Club	“Tribal Emergency Response Commissions (TERCs)” – Lori Reed, EPA Region 8 SEE, Emergency Planning and Response
2:00 – 2:50	“Working Effectively with Tribal Public Health Emergency Preparedness Programs and Tribal Governments” - Gregory A. Smith, Tribal Liaison Officer, CDC and “CERC and CERT Tribal Program Updates, 2019” – Celia Toles, Centers for Disease Control (CDC)	“What’s new at the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Agency (CISA)” – Robin Beatty, Tribal Liaison, Emergency Communications Division, CISA, US Department of Homeland Security “GETS/WPS/TSP”	“Medical Reserve Corps” – Mellisa Watt, Tribal Liaison, Medical Reserve Corps Regional Lead for IL, IN, MI, MN, OH and WI.
3:00 – 3:50	“Community Healthcare Preparedness Tools” – Jean Randolph, Nurse Consultant, Community Health Systems Team, Capacity Building Branch, Division of State and Local Readiness (DLSR)	“Administration for Children and Families” – Wendi Ellis	“Centers for Domestic Preparedness – Tribal Week” – David Hall
4:00 – 4:30	“Building Trust, Partnerships and Friends” - Tony Guerra, American Red Cross, MN	“A Naturalistic Approach to Flood Mitigation and Watershed Restoration” – Paula Gutierrez, Disaster Recovery Manager for the Tribal Administration, Santa Clara Pueblo Tribe and Garret Altmann, GIS Coordinator, Santa Clara Pueblo Forestry Department	RESERVED

Networking Social and Silent Auction for ALL Conference Attendees

Please join us in the Event Center for a great evening of networking opportunities and a chance to make new friends. NTEMC is proud to sponsor our Silent Auction!

7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.



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FRIDAY, AUGUST 23rd, 2019

9:00 – 10:30	<p style="text-align: center;">RESERVED</p> <p>— Local Emergency Oil Spill Response Planning</p> <p>— Toxic Trespass and Oil Spill Exposures</p> <p>— The Public Trust Doctrine, Climate Justice Updates & Opportunities to Protect What We Love</p> <p>Presented by: Riki Ott</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">“Using the Law to Address the Opioid Crisis in Indian Country” - Tina Batra Hershey, JD, MPH, Associate Professor, Health Policy & Management, Assistant Director for Law and Policy, Center for Public Health Practice, Graduate School of Public Health, Adjunct Professor of Law, University of Pittsburgh</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">“FEMA HIGHER EDUCATION 3 Hour TRIBAL FOCUS GROUP”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Agenda to Be Announced</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Facilitator: Wendy Walsh, Higher Education Program Manager, FEMA National Training and Education Division/National Training & Education System</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Invited Attendees to Include: Del Ostenberg, Chairman of the NTEMC Joe Turrey, Vice Chairman/Secretary of the NTEMC Robert DesRosier, Blackfeet Nation Richard Zambrano, Snoqualmie Indian Tribe Anita Huff, Chairwoman of the Northern California TEMC (NCTEMC)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Grand Canyon University Pierce College, Centers of Excellence for Homeland Security University of Nebraska Omaha Tribal Certificate Program</p>
10:45 – 12:00			

<p>LUNCH</p> <p>12:00 – 1:30</p>	<p>Please stop by to participate in closing ceremonies and pick up a box lunch.</p>
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Featured Guest, Corporate Sponsor and Partner to the NTEMC Family

Jim Kane



Jim Kane is a membership development administrator with Sourcewell who helps members save time, money, and frustration by using cooperative purchasing.

After working more than two decades in the security industry, Jim moved to central Minnesota in 2015 to work at NJPA, which is now Sourcewell. Jim focuses on building strong relationships with state, provincial, local, and tribal governments throughout North America. As a veteran of the United States Navy, Jim developed a sense of purpose and a drive to overcome challenges. He is proud of his two grown sons who have followed in his military footsteps.

Jim enjoys golfing, boating, and everything outdoors with his wife, Lottie. He relies on family, honor, trust, and communication as his guiding principles at home and at work.



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Formerly NJPA

Sourcewell-mn.gov

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There are three main areas that separate the National Tribal Emergency Management Council from all other EM/HLS groups out there:

The NTEMC remains committed to Sovereign Immunity, assisting our Tribal partners with building infrastructure and internal capacity. There are many groups out there that want to come into the Tribe and be the Incident Commanders, the Incident Management Team, and the First Responders. We want to continue to help our Tribal Nations remain in the driver's seat of their own incidents, and the best way that we can assure this is to continue our work in the areas of sharing information, training, skill sets, resources and best practices.

We believe that Public Safety and Public Health are Trust Responsibilities of the Federal Government, and therefore, do not charge dues or membership fees to be a part of our organization.

Although this makes sustainability difficult at times, we do not believe that our Tribal Nations should have to pay for what the Federal, State and Local Partners are receiving in the way of grants and technical assistance. Therefore, we continue to work hard on bringing grant dollars into the individual Tribal Nations, training opportunities to our Tribal Lands, and Technical Assistance to Indian Country that continues to help build our emergency management and homeland security programs, free of charge.

We are not a response organization. We believe very strongly in our mission:

To provide guidance and tools for member tribes to develop sustainable and all-hazard approaches to Emergency Management and Homeland Security, through an approach that emphasizes both inter and intra jurisdictional cooperation to maximize resources in mutual aid, training, exercises, planning, and equipping by sharing information and best practices.

Because we are a very small non-profit, we have relied heavily on consortium grants, specific contract work that is provided at severely discounted rates for our member Tribes and the private sector. This year, the NTEMC has partnered with the [SourceWell](#), a national municipal contracting agency committed to serving our Members purchasing needs. We are both driven to provide efficient public service through contract purchasing solutions and other related programs. We are only able to do this as we work together, creating a unified purchasing alliance that is valued by both SourceWell and the NTEMC. We will now have access to more than 160 companies that have been vetted through this partnership.



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Tribal Public Safety Innovations

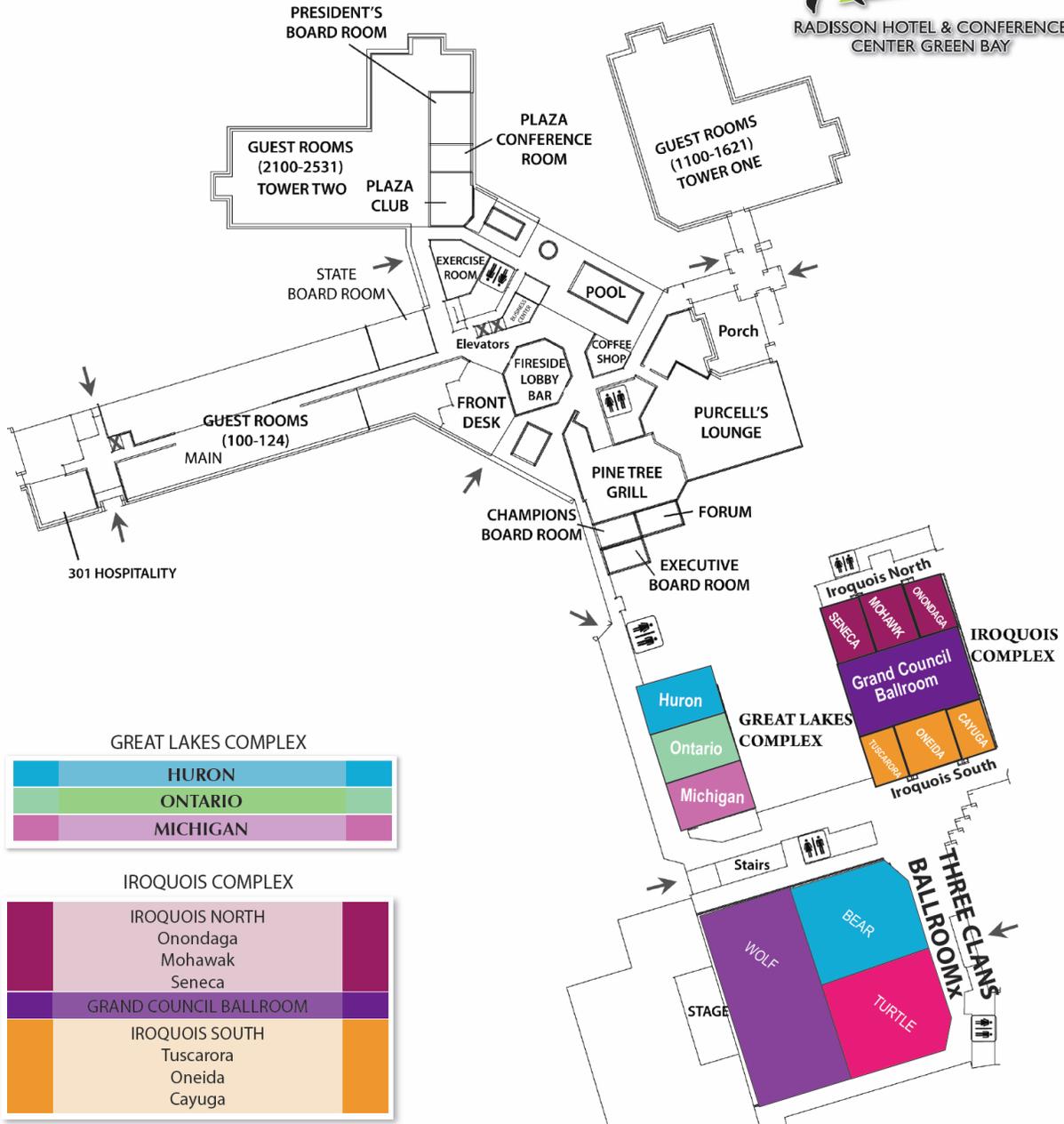


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Biographies

National Tribal Emergency Management Board and Staff

Del Ostenberg

Del Ostenberg currently serves as the Chairman of the NWTEMC-NTEMC, previously serving as the Vice Chairman since 2008. He is also the full-time Fire Chief and Emergency Manager for the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Indian Reservation. Del worked for the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs for 34 years. During that time, Del worked in Fire Control, Forestry and Fire Management. The last 16 years have been in Fire Management as a Training Officer. Del is a Fire Management Training Officer, training and assisting instruction of ICS thru 400 levels (National Multi-Agency Coordination Group), Fire Investigation and various safety classes. Del was part of the team that developed the National Incident Qualification System computer program for all risk at the National Interagency Fire Center. Del is qualified in the following wild land fire positions: Fire Fighter, Crew boss, Dozer boss, Engine Boss, Strike Team dozer-engine-crew, Task Force Leader, Division Group Supervisor, Incident Commander (Type 3, 4, 5,), Fire Investigator type I, II and III, Safety Officer Type II, III, IV and V. Del has worked with several Prevention and Type I and II IMTs, both on and off the reservation, from Alaska to Florida. Del is also an EMT, part of the CISM Debriefing team, and member of the Search & Rescue team 35 years. Del has been a part of the Safety Committee, Chairman for the Mount Tolman Complex Safety committee and Chairman for CCT Safety Committee. Del helped to develop the CEMP for the Colville Indian Reservation, as well as several associated EM plans.

Claude L. Cox

Claude Cox previously served as the Chairman of the Northwest and National Tribal Emergency Management Councils (NWTEMC and NTEMC) since 2008. He is also currently the Vice Chairman and Treasurer of the NWTEMC-NTEMC. He also previously served as the Chairman of the Spokane Tribal Enterprise Corporation and the Tosha Director for the Spokane Tribe. Claude has been responsible for law enforcement, emergency management, risk management, benefits management, safety lost control, and corporate operations. Prior to his current role, he had served as a Disaster Assistance Employee to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and was President of the Washington Counties Risk Pool and Risk Manager for the Spokane County Safety Department. Claude Cox is a proud enrolled member of the Spokane Tribe.

Joe Turrey

Joe Turrey currently serves as the Vice Chair/Secretary of the NWTEMC-NTEMC. He is a retired Tribal Council Member of the Lower Elwha Tribe and retired Master Sergeant of the Army, Special Forces. Joe has worked in the military, law enforcement and emergency management his entire career. He speaks several languages fluently, was the Lower Elwha Tribe's Incident Commander for the Nation's largest Dam Removal project at the Lower Elwha Tribe and continues to serve in a voluntary capacity with Washington State Tribal Veteran's programs. While in Germany, Joe oversaw the NATO Headquarters Central Army Group Emergency Operations Center. Upon retirement from the Army, Joe ran the day to day operations of the United States Army Special Operations Command, Emergency Operations Center.

Jim Sande

Jim Sande currently serves as the Chair of the Education Sub-Committee. Jim served as the previous Treasurer of the NWTEMC since 2010. Jim Sande has established a career with the Swinomish Tribe for the past 20 years. He is currently the Emergency Manager for the Tribe. His prior experience includes 14 years as a police officer and sergeant with the Swinomish Police Department. Jim is credentialed as a CEM by IAEM. He holds an ABCP certification with DRI International. His experience includes ICS and CERT instruction; major disaster declaration recovery efforts; grants management; comprehensive emergency management planning; and NIMS implementation. Jim is a firm believer in leveraging partnerships and developing relationships among emergency management partners.

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Robert DesRosier

Robert DesRosier is employed at the Blackfeet Tribal Nation in Browning, Montana as the Director of Homeland Security and Disaster and Emergency Services, a position that he has held for the past 10 years. Robert has served the public with 15 years in Law Enforcement, 30 years as a fireman and 8 years as an EMT. Robert is the Chairman of the Montana Indian Nations Working Group, an organization of all seven Indian Nations emergency managers and Tribal Homeland Security personnel. He also serves on the executive board for FEMA region 8 RISC (Regional Interagency Steering Committee) and the Executive Board of the National Tribal Emergency Management Council.

Dale Nelson

Vietnam Veteran US Navy Trained in shipboard firefighting and damage control. Worked in the petroleum industry for 31 years, helped develop, and train the first emergency response teams at the oil refinery and worked as Team Captain and Safety Officer for 12 years. Trained as a medic first aid and CPR instructor, industrial fire fighter, as well as HAZWOPER, and HAZMAT response. Tribal Disaster Emergency Services Coordinator for the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes. Co-chair with the Lake Co. Office of Emergency Management, the local TERC/LEPC. Co-chair with the tribes Safety Officer the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes Safety Committee. Represent the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes at the Montana Indian Nations Working Group meetings. Represent the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes at the Montana State Association of Disaster Emergency Services Coordinators meetings. Appointed by The Montana State Governor to represent The Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, along with all the other Montana Tribal Nations at the quarterly meetings of the Montana State Emergency Response Commission.

Ken Choke

Born and raised in the Pacific Northwest, Ken Choke is an Enrolled Member of the Nisqually Tribe and has lived there some 20 plus years. Ken began his career in Emergency Management as a Law Enforcement Officer (Fish and Wildlife) and established the Department 2 plus years ago through the request of the Chief of Police, Tribal Council and General Council. The first major incident Ken was involved with was the Nisqually Earthquake while working for the Fish Hatchery. Since then Ken has dealt with several incidents to include a major wind storm that caused debris on the roadway and knocked out the power to the reservation. Ken was responsible for helping to develop a CERT team to assist in major events and with the wind storm, the CERT helped remove the debris so that Power could be restored to the Reservation and the surrounding areas. Ken helped develop the plans for the Youth/Emergency Center in the event of an Emergency as well the Tribes Emergency plans. The first activation of the Youth/Emergency Center was the MLK winter storm of 2012 which provided services for the Tribal Community and the surrounding areas as well assisted the American Red Cross with their requests for food for local shelters. With the help of the Emergency Management Team, Ken implemented the ICS structure to assist the Tribe with its first co-host of the Tribal Canoe Journey 2012 Paddle to Squaxin. Ken is currently the Tribe's liaison for membership in the NWTEMC and the Washington State Lead for the National Tribal Emergency Management Council.

James Akerelrea

James Akerelrea served in the Army National Guard for 13 years as a finance Specialist, have a degree in humanities, concentrating in economic, minor in psychology and sociology. James is also currently on Tribal Council for the Scammon Bay Tribe, Tribal Judge, Scammon Bay's appointee to the NWTEMC and Alaska State Lead for the National Tribal Emergency Management Council.

Richard Broncheau

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Mr. Broncheau currently serves as the Acting Chairman of the NTEMC. Richard moved home to the Nez Perce Reservation shortly after graduation from the University of Washington in June 1993. Since November 1993, Mr. Broncheau has worked for the Nez Perce Tribe (NPT) in a number of positions related to education, employment, training and emergency management. His previous position as Emergency Management Coordinator utilized all of his education and employment skills including: 18 years in the Service Industry (i.e. restaurants); 8 years in Post-Secondary Education (i.e. college); 17 years, work with the NPT. Mr. Broncheau purchased radios and other equipment for the Tribal Police and Fire Management Programs (THSGP 2009).

Rod Mendes

Director Rod Mendes leads the Office of Emergency Services for the Hoopa Valley Tribe on the Hoopa Indian Reservation in Northern California and is in his 45th year of emergency services. Director Mendes is Karuk Indian through his Mother's side of the family. Mister Mendes has a very diverse career path in Emergency Management with a focus on Fire Department Operations.

Director Mendes started his fire career path in crash crew in 1970 with the United States Marine Corps, being honorably discharged in 1974 as a Sergeant. Continuing his career path on emergency services working for the Department of Defense, the City of San Leandro CA, Hoopa Fire Department and US Forest Service before returning back to Hoopa to take the reins as the Director of the Office of Emergency Services for the Hoopa Valley Tribe.

Director Mendes is instrumental in taking the lead in many aspects of Tribal Emergency Management in Indian Country, as well as being responsible for the development of the Hoopa Tribe's emergency preparedness, response, and recovery program. Director Mendes is always willing to work with and provide assistance to other Tribal Emergency Managers and Tribal Emergency Services programs to help define opportunities for collaboration and partnering with Local, State and Federal Agencies, with an emphasis on seeking parity for Tribes and Tribal programs throughout Indian Country.

Thomas W. Weissmuller

Thomas W. Weissmuller is an Indian law and policy consultant, attorney, mediator, and frequent presenter / lecturer. Tom has always maintained a strong interest in public safety in his personal life and professional career. He is recognized as a tribal justice / public safety expert for various entities, including several divisions of the federal government. An adopted member of the Tlinget Tribe of Alaska under the Dalton family of the Dak dien tan, Tom grew up in Southeastern Connecticut and Southern Rhode Island where he could be found shadowing his father, a forty-year firefighter and recipient of the A. E. Hertzler Knox Award for Excellence of Contributions to EMS Services. Tom accepted that award on behalf of his father, Walter T. Weissmuller but also received personal awards for Exceptional Service in the Public Interest from the FBI and the Alumni of Distinction award for career recognition from his Alma mater. Tom is an alumnus of the University of Rhode Island, Washington University School of Law, and The National Judicial College at the University of Nevada, Reno.

Tom worked in several Seattle area firms prior to opening his private practice. His firm, Weissmuller and Associates, offered a range of legal services to clients in Washington, and provided consulting services to tribal justice initiatives throughout the United States. His personal areas of practice include business, criminal, Indian, domestic, trust, and estate litigation / mediation / arbitration. He has long been a presenter on Indian law and policy.

Judicial Service: After receiving his initial judicial appointment in 1996, Judge Weissmuller was named Chief Judge of the Swinomish and Tulalip reservations in 1998 to assist with court administration, on-call services, and rulemaking. After seeing the Tulalip court through retrocession, Tom assumed the role of Chief Judge on the Mashantucket reservation in Connecticut where he served from 2005 - 2011. He implemented varying yet comprehensive case management reforms in each community. These have generally included "fast track" docketing, alternative (civil) dispute resolution, telephonic warrant procurement, pre-trial probation services, and alternative sentencing. Judge Weissmuller has sought to

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enhance court processes and security through technical improvements such as case management software, digital imaging, digital audio recording, and digital surveillance retention. In addition to case management, Judge Weissmuller presided over high volume civil and criminal dockets and has issued many published legal decisions significant to Indian country. He has resolved hundreds of cases by 2017, rendering a judicial decision and hundreds more via mediation. From 2005 - 2011, he presided over the Mashantucket Pequot Court and handled the majority of matters involving the Foxwoods Casino.

Walt Lamar

Walter Lamar has thirty-years of specialized law enforcement and security experience having served as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Deputy Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs-Office of Law Enforcement Services, Senior Advisor to the Director of the Department of the Interior-Office of Law Enforcement and Security, and President/CEO of Lamar Associates. Walter is an enrolled member of the Blackfeet Nation of Montana and a descendant of the Wichita Tribe of Oklahoma, and was raised on the Blackfeet, Wind River, Jicarilla Apache and Navajo Reservations, in addition to Oklahoma Indian Country. As a Special Weapons and Tactics Operator with the FBI in San Francisco and Oklahoma City Divisions, he responded to incidents which included the Los Angeles Rodney King Riots, the Branch Davidian standoff at Waco and the bombing of the A.P. Murrah Building in Oklahoma City. Walter founded and supervised the Oklahoma City Violent Crimes Task Force, was a member of the FBI Speakers Bureau, an FBI Special Agenda Recruiter, an FBI spokesperson and a member of the FBI Director's Native American Board of Advisors. He appeared on the America's Most Wanted and Unsolved Mysteries television programs and is prominently featured in John Walsh's book entitled, No Mercy. Walter was twice awarded the FBI Shield of Bravery and is one of only two agents in the history of the FBI to receive the prestigious medal. His parents are the late Newton Lamar (Wichita), a nationally recognized tribal leader, and Catherine Gobert Lamar (Blackfeet), a retired Bureau of Indian Affairs department head. Walter is married to Dr. Cynthia Chavez Lamar (San Felipe Pueblo, Hopi, Navajo and Tewa), Director of the Indian Arts and Research Center at the School for Advanced Research, Santa Fe, NM.

Lynda Zambrano

Lynda Zambrano currently serves as the Executive Director of the NWTEMC and Deputy Director of the National Tribal Emergency Management Council. Lynda began her career in law enforcement 20 years ago, working with Federal, State, Local and Tribal governments. Lynda has also served as Health Director for several Tribal Nations, which has given her a unique perspective to bring together many different disciplines to work together in emergency management. Lynda has an extensive background in finance, contracts management and audit compliance work. Lynda is a grants writer, assisting with securing more than one hundred grants and several million dollars for Tribal Nations in the State of Washington. Lynda has received recognition for her work in Indian Country from the Federal Emergency Management Association, US Department of Homeland Security and US Bureau of Indian Affairs. Most recently, Lynda was inducted into the International Association of Women in Emergency Management's Hall of Fame. Lynda is the proud wife of Richard Zambrano, whom is a member of the Snoqualmie Tribe, and mother of three.

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Richard Flores

Richard Flores is the Director for Legislative Affairs and Tribal Relations for the National Tribal Emergency Management Council (NTEMC).

Prior to coming to NTEMC, Mr. Flores was recruited to come to Washington, D.C. as Special Advisor for National Tribal Affairs for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate. In his position, he advocated and collaborated on legal implications, implementation, and agency guidance to assist tribes in making informed decisions about applying for federal disaster assistance and delivered federal disaster guidance to tribes and tribal organizations.

On January 29, 2013, President Obama signed the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act (SRIA). The Act included a provision to provide federally-recognized Indian tribal governments the option to request a Presidential emergency or major disaster declaration independent of a state. Mr. Flores, as Special Advisor for National Tribal Affairs, advocated for the tribal provisions in the law.

Mr. Flores has a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management and Business Administration and is working toward an MBA.

After September 11, 2001 Mr. Flores was recalled to active duty and served in Operation Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom, and Iraqi Freedom. He was medically retired from the U.S. Navy. Mr. Flores also is a former Tribal Fire Chief.

Richard Zambrano

Richard Zambrano is currently the Logistics Manager for the NWTEMC-NTEMC. Richard recently retired as a Tribal Council Member with the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe.

Presenters and Honored Guests

Crystal Huggins

Crystal Huggins is a Senior Analyst at the Government Accountability Office (GAO), where she has worked on telecommunications, broadband, and media policy issues since 2006. Her most recent report focused on the accuracy of the Federal Communications Commission's data regarding broadband availability and access on tribal lands. She also worked closely with GAO teams that reviewed partnership options for expanding broadband on tribal lands, as well as tribal access to wireless spectrum for broadband. This collaboration led to GAO testifying on tribal broadband issues during an October 2018 hearing before the United States Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

Paula Gutierrez

Paula Gutierrez is a Santa Clara Pueblo Tribal Member and works as the Disaster Recovery Manager for the Tribal Administration. She holds a B.S. in Applied Management, and a M.S. in Leadership with an Emphasis in Disaster Preparedness and Executive Fire Leadership. She is also one of three Tribal Representatives for FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance External Shareholders Work Group (ESWG).

Garrett Altmann

Garrett Altmann works as the GIS Coordinator for the Santa Clara Pueblo Forestry Department and is the Project Manager for the FEMA 4199 Hazard Mitigation Grant. He holds a M.Sc. in Natural Resources Management from the University of Alaska Fairbanks, and a B.A. in Geography from the University of California, Santa Barbara. His professional interests include developing forest resiliency by emphasizing natural system function throughout planning and design.

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Steve Aberle

Steve (ham radio callsign WA7PTM) is the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) liaison to the tribal communities in the State of Washington. He was first licensed in 1970 and has been active in the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) since 1976 and in RACES since 1979. Steve has over three decades of experience in volunteer emergency communications planning, training, responses, mentoring, and as a HSEEP exercise evaluator. He was a law enforcement first responder for seven years, a county emergency communications director for five years, and is a former mountaineering and Search and Rescue leader and instructor. Steve holds a B.S. degree in Computer Science and is a retired data network and security manager.

Carrie Johnson, Director of Strategy and Policy

FirstNet Built with AT&T

Carrie Johnson is Director of Strategy and Policy and serves as the Tribal Affairs Specialist for FirstNet Built with AT&T. Before joining AT&T, she served as Senator Tim Johnson's (SD) telecom and technology policy adviser, supporting his policy efforts to expand broadband access in rural and tribal communities. In 2015, Carrie returned home to South Dakota and worked as the Manager of Government and External Affairs for SDN Communications, a rural statewide broadband provider based in Sioux Falls, SD. She joined the AT&T FirstNet Team in July 2017. Carrie has an M.B.A. from Johns Hopkins University, a B.A. from American University, and a Certificate in Cybersecurity & Privacy Law from Mitchell Hamline School of Law.

Mark Davis

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Gregory A. Smith, MPA

Prior to arriving at CDC, Gregory A. Smith was the Executive Director of the Model Cities Health Center, Inc., a community health center located in St. Paul, Minnesota. One of the programs he developed at the health center was the Native American Health Surveillance program which was focused on increasing the participation of the Lakota Sioux Nation's members in the community health center's preventive health programs and activities.

He began his career at CDC in 1999 as a Public Health Advisor in the National Centers for the Prevention of HIV and STDs where he managed nine state and five community based organizations' (CBOs) HIV Prevention Program Cooperative Agreements.

In 2008, Gregory moved to the Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response, Division of State and Local Readiness, Program Services Branch (OPHPR/DSLRL/PSB).

As the Public Health Advisor in the Division of State and Local Readiness, he provided guidance and oversight to five state bioterrorism project areas which included providing leadership to various agencies and organizations throughout the country in the development of health care systems, strategies, and services which were related to Bio-Terrorism Preparedness and Response in those jurisdictions.

He is currently the Tribal Liaison Officer in the Program Services Branch (PSB) in the Division of State and Local Readiness (DSLRL). His duties include developing guidance and review criteria from the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreement, analyzing state budget proposals and assisting in the development of justifications and Memoranda of Agreements (MOAs) for technical assistance focused on the thirty-five (35) states with federally recognized tribes', Tribal Public Health Emergency Preparedness programs (TPHEPs).

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One of the major criteria associated with his duties is identifying successful tribal emergency preparedness program accomplishments nationally and reporting those findings to senior leadership in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in Washington, D.C.

Nick Nichols

Nick Nichols was born in Baltimore Maryland; Nick has been with EPA for 22 years. He is the Environmental Justice and Tribal Coordinator for the Office of Emergency Management. Nichols leads OEM tribal consultations and outreach efforts. Most of his EPA experience is with oil spill response techniques. He has worked on the BP Spill response and has served as a Community Involvement Coordinator during the Hurricane Maria response in Puerto Rico. Nick has worked on other persistent human health issues such as lead poisoning and water pollution prevention and detection. Nick's passions include helping tribes and overburdened communities to assess and mitigate their environmental hazards, riding on two wheels, and enjoying life with his teenage son.

Tony Guerra

Tony Guerra has been employed by the American Red Cross for nearly twenty years. His interest in Emergency Manager started during his Coast Guard Career. Stationed over eight years on a base located on the Rodgers Creek Fault, an extension of the San Andreas Fault line. In his role as Disaster Program Manager his area in northern MN and Douglas County WI. In that area he has had the opportunity to work closely with seven Anishinaabe Tribes. One of the original members of the Red Cross Native Community Partnerships Initiative and a Tribal Liaison for deployment nationally. Tony's presentation entitled "Building Trust, Partnerships and Friends", will include topics such as Tribal Partner Shelter Training, Tribal Shelter Manager Training, Red Cross DAT Teams, Home Fire Campaign on Tribal Lands and Tribal Red Cross MOUs.

Chris Wamsley

Meteorologist Chris Wamsley was born in Cleveland, Ohio. He is a graduate of Central Michigan University with a degree in Meteorology and also has a bachelor's in Human Resource Management.

Chris found his niche in forecasting working for WJR 760 AM radio station in Detroit while in college. After graduating, he worked in the private sector in Boston, MA before entering the National Weather Service. He has brought a significant amount of severe weather experience to the office to NWS Headquarters, but also enjoys a good snowstorm since he grew up in the snow-belt of northeastern Ohio.

Chris has done a significant amount of briefing NWS/NOAA leadership, DHS/FEMA Leadership, Red Cross Leadership, outreach and working with FEMA and Emergency response at FEMA Headquarters before, during and after major severe weather events and especially Tropical Systems.

On an interesting note, he came close to going to culinary school instead of choosing meteorology.