

NTEMC

National Tribal Emergency Management Council:

Building Systems Through Partnerships

Poll Question: Emergency Management Programs

Of all the Federally Recognized Tribes and Alaska Native Villages, how many have emergency management programs?

- A. All
- B. Almost all
- C. About half
- D. Less than a quarter

NTEMC Mission

The primary mission of the NTEMC is to build internal infrastructure and capacity. The NTEMC accomplishes this mission by building partnerships, developing comprehensive emergency planning documents, and working together to share resources, knowledge, and skillsets. We assist in coordinating training and exercises and provide a network of expertise that is culturally relevant and sensitive.

National Tribal Emergency Management Council (NTEMC) — A Brief History

In 2003, 8 Tribes in Northwest Washington formed the Region I Tribal Homeland Security Sub-Committee, to address emergency management and Homeland Security issues.



NW Tribal Emergency Management Council (NWTEMC) – A Brief History

In 2008, the NWTEMC
Tribes formally incorporated and became a 501c3 organization to help all Tribes throughout FEMA Region X (Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Alaska)



In 2010, FEMA headquarters personnel requested of the NWTEMC Board of Directors to consider working with Tribes in other FEMA Regions. The National Tribal Emergency Management Council was created.



501C3 Non-Profit Organization

- **Governing Board**
 - **Charter**
 - By-laws
- Tribal Governments
- Greater Strength in Numbers
 - Politically
 - **Shared Resources**
 - Shared Personnel and Expertise

NTEMC is more than just Emergency Management

Emergency Support Functions (ESFs)

- ESF1 Transportation
- ESF2 Communications
- ESF3 Public Works and
 - Engineering
- ESF4 Firefighting
- ESF5 Emergency Management
- ESF6 Mass Care, Housing, and
 - **Human Services**
- ESF7 Resources Support
- ESF8 Public Health and Medical Services

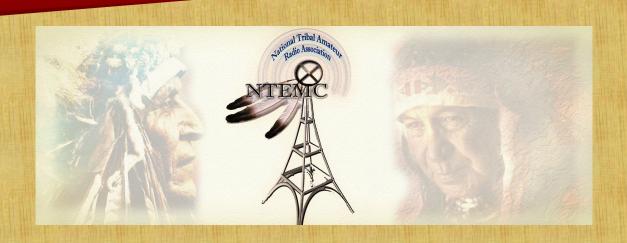
- ESF9 Urban Search and Rescue
- ESF10 Oil and Hazardous
 - Materials Response
- ESF11 Agriculture and Natural
 - Resources
- ESF12 Energy
- ESF13 Public Safety and Security
- ESF14 Long-term Community
 - Recovery and Mitigation
- **ESF15** External Affairs

National Tribal Emergency Management Council Partners

- Tribes
 - NWTEMC BOD
 - ► NTEMC BOD
 - ► Tribal Leaders
 - ► Tribal Organizations
- ▶ Federal
 - ► All Agencies and ESFs
 - ► Ex-officio Members
- State and Local

The NTEMC has created sub-committees for every emergency support function (ESF) in the National Response Framework. Each sub-committee is staffed with subject matter experts that have created specific projects to focus their attention to. One of our best examples of this to date has been under ESF 2, Communications, in which the NTEMC has delivered and graduated hundreds of ham radio operators, networking them under the National Tribal Amateur Radio Association, (NTARA) a subcommittee of the NTEMC.

National Tribal Amateur Radio Association (NTARA)



The National Tribal Amateur Radio Association (NTARA) is a National Organization comprised of licensed amateur (ham) radio operators from many of the 573 Tribal Nations across the United States, and other licensed operators who are interested in learning about Indian Country. The purpose of NTARA is to further amateur radio into Indian Country for the purposes of emergency management and to provide an additional form of communications to communities which may have limited communications already. Find us on Facebook.

Educating Future Emergency Management Leaders

NTEMC is also doing great work in the realm of education, formally networking with many Universities and Colleges under the guidance of our education sub-committee.

- University of Washington
- Grand Canyon University
- University of Pittsburgh
- Louisiana State University
- University of Hawaii
- Evergreen and Pierce College HSEM

What Exactly Do We Do?

WE SHARE INFORMATION, RESOURCES, SKILLSETS and BEST PRACTICES

- Assist in development of Emergency Management Plans (e.g. CEMP, HMP, COOP, SARA TITLE III) and grants writing
- Assist one another in raising awareness of Homeland Security issues and mandates
- Educate our communities
 - Preparedness Programs
- Train our responders

 Response and Recovery
- Build teams

 Medical Reserve Corps and Community Emergency Response
 Teams

What Do We Do? (continued)

- Provide a communications network for Tribes, Regional, State, and Federal Homeland Security and Emergency Management programs
- Provide a link for access to resources to enhance and supplement Tribal EM and Homeland Security programs
- Provide templates for plans
 - e.g CEMP, COOP, PAN FLU
- Maintain essential databases
 - Volunteers, resources, shelters, critical infrastructure, etc.
- Maintain multiple Web sites and Social Media platforms as a conduit for sharing information
 - www.nwtemc.org; www.ntemc.org; facebook, twitter
- Meet monthly to address updates and action items
- Host an Annual National Tribal Emergency Management Conference

Tribal Public Health Emergency Preparedness

Provide resources for Tribal clinics to develop Public Health Emergency Management plans (Pan Flu Plans, COOP, etc.)

Coordinate initial efforts for emergency planning with State, Regional and local Public Health partners

Educate local partners on issues such as:

Quarantine

Isolation

Jurisdiction & Sovereignty

Promote Tribal Public Health Law

Tribal legal Preparedness Best Practices Toolkit

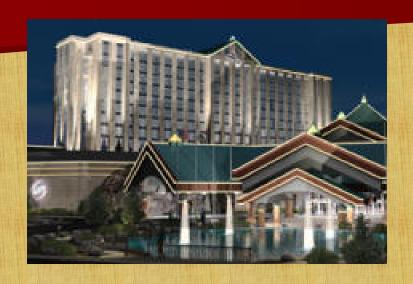
Provide training and educational opportunities and resources

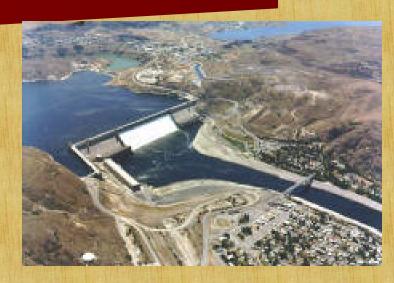
Develop Medical Reserve Corps Units

COVID-19



Critical Infrastructure





- Work with agencies to develop Tribal Critical Infrastructure profiles
- Much of critical infrastructure is located on or near Tribal Nations
- ► Share information and intelligence essential for ensuring safer communities, Tribal lands, and the security of our homeland
- ► Work with member Tribes to develop critical infrastructure plans, conduct assessments, propose mitigation projects and write grants

Resources and Publications

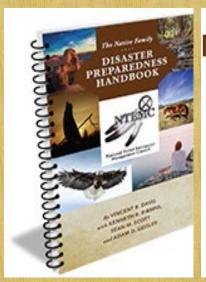
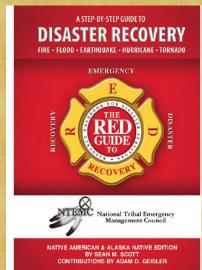


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The Native Family Disaster Preparedness Handbook

The Red Guide to Recovery: A Step by Step Guide to Disaster Recovery

NTEMC Annual Conference

NTEMC was proud to announce that this year would have been our

2020-7th Annual National Tribal Emergency Management Conference

to be held September 28-October 2^{nd,} 2020. Pre-Conference Training would have been available on the dates of September 28 and 29, followed by two and a half days of great presentations. Our staff is working diligently to bring you the best speakers and educators in the field, but in a virtual format this year. We are looking forward to seeing everyone September. Our greatest appreciation to Dennis Crotti, Linda Clark and the Soboba Nation for their warm welcome and offer to host this year's big event.

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Three Best Reasons to Join Our Team at NTEMC

1. Membership Is Free

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.

Three Best Reasons to Join Our Team at NTEMC

2. 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.

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, elevating skill sets, promoting education, providing resources and sharing best practices.

Three Best Reasons to Join Our Team at NTEMC

3. We are driven to provide efficient public service through partnerships

All inclusive:

All Native American Tribes and Alaska Native Villages. Federally Recognized, non-Federally Recognized, State Recognized Tribes, Urban Indian Populations. Tribes teaching Tribes. Tribes sharing with Tribes. Tribes learning from Tribes. Tribes helping Tribes. We have created a team of Tribal Subject Matter Experts that collectively have more than a century of knowledge, teachings and wisdom, based in culture and respect. We promote teamwork and partnerships.

Federal, State and Local Partners: The US Department of Homeland Security, FEMA, US Department of Transportation, USDA, US Customs and Border Patrol, BIA, Indian Health Service, Public Health and the CDC, US Coast Guard, State Emergency Management Divisions, County DEMs, Ecology, State and Local Health.



Strengthening Tribal Sovereignty Through Partnerships

















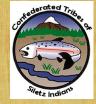




























Final Thoughts from an NTEMC Tribal Elder

The true meaning of sovereignty is not to tell us what to do, but to provide us with the information needed to make informed decisions for ourselves and our people. Many of us come from small Tribal Nations. Many of us do not have emergency management or homeland security. We don't have the same funding, the experts, the training or the resources that the Federal, State, and Counties have. But what we do have is thousands of years of experience surviving disasters. We have the ability to do great things. We can plan, prepare, learn, and share. We can all work together. We may need to seek out those who can help us; our fellow Tribes, our Federal, State and local partners, many of you who are listening and viewing this presentation today. It will be through working together, building relationships and sharing knowledge with each other, that will make us stronger. And, in the end, our investment today will help us to save more lives tomorrow.

Questions?

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