

SUMMARY NOTES

Disaster Recovery Council – Meeting 1
Monday, January 24, 2022, 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Agenda Item	Notes
1. Welcome & Introductions	Members introduced themselves & their position.
2. Disaster Recovery Council (DRC) Agreement and Overview of the Thurston Region Disaster Recovery Framework	<p>Paul Brewster spoke about how this Council was created, and reviewed participation in a 2019 FEMA Integrated Emergency Management Course. This exercise also included drafting a Disaster Recovery Framework for the Thurston region.</p> <p>The Thurston Region Disaster Recovery Framework is a regional framework to guide communities through effective recovery from a disaster.</p>
3. Disaster Recovery Council Interests and Objectives	<p>Todd Stancil (Yelm) spoke about the difficulties of balancing a regional approach with each cities' individual needs. He shared concerns regarding how Yelm is not as connected as some other cities in the county and keeping key transportation routes open will be a main priority.</p> <p>Patrick Knouff (Olympia) spoke about the difficulties of high staff turnover at this time and limited time and budget. To counteract these challenges, documenting what this effort does do very well will be and at least getting the RSFs drafted are priorities.</p> <p>Brian Hurley (Tumwater) spoke about the challenges of staff turnover and allocating enough staff resources to support this effort. The recovery of transportation routes and water systems are priorities of Tumwater.</p> <p>Steve Purcell (Bucoda) spoke about how Bucoda's challenges differ from much of the county. Bucoda does not have a sewer system and when flooding occurs, septic systems may leach into the water supply. Transportation routes such as Main Street have been cut off during past flooding events. Health and transportation are high priorities for Bucoda.</p> <p>Ed Taylor (Lacey) spoke about concerns around balancing regional and individual city priorities and creating another group that may already be covered by a separate group. Updating and developing new RSFs are a priority of Lacey.</p> <p>Sandy Eckker & Jennica Machado (Thurston County) talked about the challenges of creating something that is scalable and can be used in small events and large disasters. At the IEMC,</p>

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	there was a lot of interest around who and where Recovery Manager's office will be set. Making these decisions will help anchor the effort.
4. DRC Charter & Meeting Schedule	Paul Brewster discussed the possible contents of a charter for the council, and members expressed an interest in keeping the council less formal and not having officers. The draft charter should be ready for the next council meeting.
5. Adjourn	

Attendance

Councilmembers

Steven Purcell (Bucoda)
Todd Stencil (Yelm)
Brian Hurley (Tumwater)
Patrick Knouff (Olympia)
Todd Carson (Olympia)
Jennica Machado (Thurston County)
Sandy Eccker (Thurston County)
Ed Taylor (Lacey)

Staff

Cherie Nevin (Thurston County)
Paul Brewster (TRPC)
Casey Mauck (TRPC)