

San Joaquin County Disaster Council

Conference Call
 April 14, 2021, 3:30 pm

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order **Chair, Marcia Cunningham**

- 1.1 Chair Cunningham called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.
- 1.2 Welcoming Comments: During the February 9, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting the structure of the Office of Emergency Services was modified to address concerns during the COVID-19 Pandemic, pending presentation of formal modifications to the County Ordinance. The modification to County Ordinance 4-3002 – Disaster Council Membership, which will appoint the Chair of the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator, jointly and with equal authority, to serve as Chair of the Council and the Director of Emergency Services. The ordinance becomes effective June 4, 2021. Ms. Cunningham served as Director of Emergency Services during this meeting.

2. Roll Call

Member Department/Agency	Represented by
Director of Emergency Services	Marcia Cunningham
Director of Emergency Operations	Shellie Lima
County Administrator	Matt Paulin (for Jay Wilverding)
County Sheriff	Jose Aleman (for Pat Withrow)
Medical Health Operational Area Coordinator	Jared Bagwell (for Dan Burch)
Public Health Officer	Dr. Maggie Park
Escalon City Manager	Tammy Alcantor
Lathrop City Manager	Steve Salvatore
Lodi City Manager	
Manteca City Manager	
Ripon City Manager	
Stockton City Manager	Harry Black
Tracy City Manager	

3. Public Comment Period

No comments presented.

4. Approval of Minutes

- 4.1 Motion to approve the Emergency Services Council Meeting Minutes from October 7, 2020.

RESULT: Approved
MOVER: Steve Salvatore
SECONDER: Maggie Park
AYES: Unanimous

5. Agenda Items

5.1 Request to authorize San Joaquin County Disaster Service Workers to self-certify their loyalty oath on the Disaster Service Worker registration form

Ms. Lima shared background information regarding the Disaster Service Worker Volunteer Program. The Disaster Council may have Disaster Service Workers subscribe to the oath by reading the oath printed on the registration for and self-certifying, under penalty of perjury, or the Council may implement a more restrictive oath taking process for its volunteers, such as administering the oath in person by an authorized officer.

A motion was made to approve and authorize Disaster Service Work Volunteers to self-certify the oath without having to appear in person.

RESULT: Approved
MOVER: Jared Bagwell
SECONDER: Jose Aleman
AYES: Unanimous

5.2 Review and authorize the training and exercise plan for registered disaster service workers participating in the *San Joaquin County Unit of the California Disaster Healthcare Volunteers*

Ms. Lima shared background information on the requirement for an accredited Disaster Council to pre-approve Disaster Service Worker training and exercises in order to be eligible for state funded workers' compensation benefits while engaged in disaster training and exercises. She shared the list of planned exercises/training (attached). She made a recommendation to approve and authorize the listed Disaster Service Worker Volunteer training and exercise plan for events between July 1, 2021 and December 2022.

RESULT: Approved
MOVER: Steve Salvatore
SECONDER: Matt Paulin
AYES: Unanimous

6. Roundtable

6.1 Operational Area Presentations/Reports

No reports.

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 4:00pm. Next meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.

Attachments:

1. Disaster Service Worker Volunteer training and exercise plan

San Joaquin County Emergency Medical Services Agency
Disaster Healthcare Volunteer - 2021/22 Training and Exercise Plan

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Purpose: This training and exercise plan is being submitted for approval by the Disaster Council to ensure that all registered disaster service workers participating in the San Joaquin County Unit of the California Disaster Healthcare Volunteers are provided with state funded workers' compensation benefits while engaged in disaster training and exercises.

References: Title 19 CCR Section 2573.1 (b)(2)

#	Date(s)	Training/Exercise Title	Training/Exercise Description
1	3rd Qtr. 2021 4th Qtr. 2021 1st Qtr. 2022 2nd Qtr. 2022 3rd Qtr. 2022 4th Qtr. 2022	Quarterly Ham Radio Deployment Drills and Equipment Tests	Volunteers will be notified, confirm mission availability and deployed on missions to test, install, replace, repair and/or program ham radio equipment in order to maintain, improve or expand the auxiliary communications capabilities within the healthcare delivery system. Missions will be conducted on an "as needed" basis therefore specific dates, times, and locations have not been established.
2	4th Thursday of odd numbered months 2021/22	Healthcare Ham Radio Communications Drills	Test backup emergency communications between the EMS Agency, hospitals, clinics, pre hospital care providers, and other public safety agencies. Volunteers radio operators will report to all participating locations, as needed. The exercises will take place between 1200 and 1600 hours.
3	November 2022	2022 Statewide Medical and Health Functional/Full-Scale Exercise	2022 Statewide Medical and Health exercise will be designed to test the following Core Capabilities identified in the National Preparedness Goal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operational Communications • Operational Coordination • Public Health, Healthcare and Emergency Medical Services • Situational Assessment The exercise will be conducted countywide with members of the San Joaquin Operational Area Healthcare Coalition. Volunteer participation in this exercise will include: Patient care, patient actors, logistics staff, support staff and radio operators. Exercise activities will occur between 0500 and 1900 hours.

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Disaster Healthcare Volunteer - 2021/22 Training and Exercise Plan

References:

Title 19 California Code of Regulations

Disaster Service Worker Volunteer Program

§ 2570.2. (c) Training. For purposes of these regulations, training is a pre-authorized activity, sponsored by an accredited disaster council (or designated agency or authority) and may include classroom instruction, disaster drills or exercises, or related activities that are designed to enhance the disaster response skills (including safety) of the disaster service worker volunteer. Out-of-state training conducted in a manner geographically and functionally specific to cross-border emergency response may also be considered a covered activity.

§ 2573.1 (b) (2) The accredited disaster council (or designated agency or authority) shall ensure disaster training is approved, documented and supervised, and shall ensure disaster training is commensurate with the duties of the disaster service worker volunteer.