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### **54.005 – EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN**

#### **54.005.005 – General Information.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Oregon Revised Statutes Chapter 401, the responsibility for preparation and response to major emergencies within Lane County is vested with the Board of County Commissioners.

Pursuant to State law, the emergency management function must include, at a minimum:

- A. Coordination of the planning activities necessary to prepare and maintain a current emergency operations plan, management and maintenance of emergency operating facilities from which elected and appointed officials can direct emergency and disaster response activities;
- B. Establishment of an incident command structure for management of a coordinated response by all local emergency service agencies; and
- C. Coordination with the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to integrate effective practices in emergency preparedness and response as provided in the National Incident Management System established by the Homeland Security Presidential Directive 5 of February 28, 2003. [1983 c.586 §12; 1993 c.187 §9; 2005 c.825 §11; 2013 c.189 §2]

(Order 94-2-15-7, 2.15.94; Order 07-10-24-7, 10.24.07; Order 22-08-09-03, 8.9.22)

#### **54.005.010 – Emergency Operations Plan.**

The Lane County Emergency Operations Plan is an all-hazards plan that outlines how the County will organize and respond to emergencies and disasters in the community. It is based on, and is compatible with, Federal, State of Oregon, and other applicable laws, regulations, plans, and policies, including Presidential Policy Directive 8, the National Response Framework, and Oregon Department of Emergency Management plans.

Consisting of a Base Plan, Emergency Support Function Annexes that complement the Federal and State of Oregon Emergency Support Function Annexes, Support Annexes and Incident Annexes, the Emergency Operations Plan provides a framework for coordinated response and recovery activities during a large-scale emergency. The plan describes how various agencies and organizations in the County will coordinate resources and activities with other Federal, State, local, tribal and non-governmental organizations.

The Emergency Operations Plan is a component of the County's comprehensive approach to emergency management that ensures the County is prepared to prevent, protect against, mitigate the effects of, respond to, and recover from the hazards and threats that pose the greatest risk to the County.

The plan, consistent with the National Incident Management System, will:

- A. Establish a system for incident management;
- B. Identify key roles and responsibilities;
- C. Outline the steps for coordination with response partners;
- D. Define the primary and support roles of County agencies and departments;
- E. Outline all applicable authorities and references;

- F. Outline an emergency or disaster declaration process;
- G. Identify Emergency Operations Center primary and secondary locations;
- H. Establish a general concept of operations; and
- I. Include a bi-annual hazard analysis.

(Order 22-08-09-03, 8.9.22)

**54.005.015 – Maintenance and Review.**

The plan is to be reviewed and updated every two (2) years by the Emergency Manager and formally adopted by resolution by the Board of County Commissioners. The plan is issued under the authority of the Lane County Board of County Commissioners at the recommendation of County officials. Revisions to the annexes and appendices shall be made as needed and require no formal action by the Board.

Lane County Emergency Management will ensure the Base Plan is posted on the Lane County website and in print in the County Emergency Operations Center and Dispatch Center. The annexes and appendices are operational and will not be made available publicly, per ORS 192.345(18), which specifically exempts public safety operational plans from public disclosure requests.

It is understood that no plan can replace the common sense and good judgment necessary for effective response under a variety of emergency conditions. For this reason, the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) is intended as a guideline for response to major emergencies. Deviations from the Plan may occur depending on the scope and magnitude of the emergency; the area and population affected; the availability of resources; or whenever, in the judgment of responding public safety officials, such deviation is critical for the protection of life, infrastructure, environment, and property.

(Order 22-08-09-03, 8.9.22)