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SALT LAKE COUNTY ENTITIES



















































What is an **Emergency Operations Center**

or an Emergency Coordination Center?

An Emergency Operations Center (EOC) or an Emergency Coordination Center (ECC): is the physical location where the coordination of information and resources to support incident management (on-scene operations) activities, normally takes place. An ECC/EOC may be a temporary facility or may be located in a more central or permanently established facility, perhaps at a higher level of organization within a jurisdiction. EOCs may be organized by major functional disciplines such as: fire, law enforcement, medical services, volunteers, red cross, information management, by jurisdiction such as: federal, state, regional, county, city, township, tribal, or by some combination thereof.

The ECC/EOC operates with the guidance of an **Comprehensive Emergency Management Program (CEMP):** An ongoing plan for responding to a wide variety of potential hazards. An CEMP describes how people and property will be protected; details who is responsible for carrying out specific actions; identifies the personnel, equipment, facilities, supplies, and other resources available; and outlines how all actions will be coordinated.

The ECC/EOC responds to an emergency or an incident by activating their **Emergency Support Functions (ESFs):** ESFs provide the structure for coordinating interagency support for a response to an incident. They are mechanisms for grouping functions most frequently used to provide federal support to states and federal-to-federal support, both for declared disasters and emergencies under the Stafford Act and for non-Stafford Act incidents. There are currently 15 Emergency Support Functions.



Inside the Emergency Coordination Center, Operations Room.

Salt Lake County Emergency Management

2021 Oganizational Chart





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Salt Lake County Division of Emergency Management Director

The Salt Lake County Division of Emergency Management (SLCo EM) is a division that is unique to Unified Fire Authority and falls under a 50-year charter that was created between Salt Lake County Government and the Unified Fire Authority (UFA) in 2004 upon the separation of UFA from Salt Lake County to become a special service district.

Working closely with Salt Lake County, the Salt Lake County Division of Emergency Management works to solidify and strengthen all the relationships within the Salt Lake Valley—with local, state and federal coordination being a key priority. Working with all entities and jurisdictions within the valley allows us to create a more robust and stronger response to all emergent incidents within the county, as well as assisting and coordinating response efforts within identified areas.

2021 was a year of introspection, review and growth from lessons learned from 2020 for Salt Lake County Emergency Management. In 2021 the division had six enhanced watch activations, and four level III activations. The number of activations seems to be average as compared to the last five years, the Salt Lake County Emergency Coordination Center (ECC) and the Emergency Management staff have continued to support our partners such as the Salt Lake County Health Department with activities related to the COVID-19 response and recovery. Also, the Emergency Management staff continues to provide leadership and guidance for the recovery phases for the 5.7 Magna Earthquake and the Straight-Line Wind Event.

The Salt Lake County Emergency Management staff continues to perform at a very high level while returning to more "normal" duties and responsibilities as well as the response and recovery duties discussed above. Providing leadership, partnership and support to departments and divisions within Salt Lake County government, our municipalities, state and federal partners whenever and wherever requested.



Clint Mecham Salt Lake County Division Emergency Manager

Examples would include returning to the focus of the successful completion of the Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack grant program, the completion of the Salt Lake County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, completion of a new Salt Lake County Emergency Management website, managing numerous fire asset Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) deployments to various western states for the State of Utah and continuing to review the lessons learned from 2020 and close identified gaps. The list continues to be long and filled with critical programs.

As in years past, I am extremely proud of the Salt Lake County Emergency Management program and above all, the people that make it successful. We will continue to look for better ways to assist the citizens of Salt Lake County. Our highly qualified team is dedicated and strives to help our citizens meet their emergency management needs. Thank you for taking time to learn more about the Salt Lake County Division of Emergency Management. We look forward to continuing to serve our citizens in 2022 and invite you to take a few moments to review the following document and share in our accomplishments of 2021.

Clint Mecham

Director

Division Chief/Emergency Manager

Vision and Mission of Salt Lake County Emergency Management

The vision of Salt Lake County Emergency Management gives us an end-goal which we are continually striving to attain. The vision statement of Salt Lake County EM is: A whole community approach to create a safer, less vulnerable and more resilient Salt Lake County.

The mission of Salt Lake County Emergency Management is what drives us. It is the guideline to the end-goal of the vision statement, allowing benchmarks to be continually monitored and allows us to fashion our strategic plan for the Division of Emergency Management.

The mission statement of Salt Lake County Emergency Management is: **The Salt Lake County Division of Emergency Management serves our citizens by directing and coordinating resources for disasters and emergencies through prevention, preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery.**

5 Pillars of Emergency Management

Salt Lake County Emergency Management's five main areas of responsibility are:

Prevention, Preparedness, Mitigation,

Response, and Recovery. We focus

our training and responses on these

foundations in addition to other trainings

and responsibilities.



Prevention: Actions taken to avoid an incident or prevent it from occurring.



Preparedness: increase a community's ability to respond when a disaster occurs, includes planning, training, and educational activities for events that cannot be mitigated.



Mitigation: Respond quickly to save lives, protect property and the environment, and meet basic human needs in the aftermath of a catastrophic incident.



Response: Protect our citizens, residents, visitors and assets against the greatest threats and hazards in a manner that allows our interests, aspirations and way of life to thrive.



Recovery: Recover through a focus on the timely restoration, strengthening, and revitalization of infrastructure, housing and sustainable economy, as well as the health, social, cultural, historic and environmental fabric of communities affected by a catastrophic incident.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 2021

ACCOMPLISHMENTS/ACTIVATIONS

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Started the Salt Lake County Emergency Management website redesign. Launch of the new website slated *February 10, 2022*.
- Assisted Salt Lake City with their mercury contamination in their water in a public park.
- Launched a Public Relations Campaign informing county residents on the exceptionally severe drought in the state and offered simple ways to reduce water waste in support of Governor Cox's Drought Emergency Declaration.
- Salvation Army hosted "Donut Day" on June 4 to thank those who work in Emergency Management and at the Sheriff's office.
- Director and Division Chief, Clint Mecham was recognized by the Utah Emergency Management Association and given the Emergency Manager of the year award.
- One year anniversary of the 5.7 Magna Earthquake town hall on lessons learned.
- Roll Call podcast featuring Emergency
 Management COVID and Earthquake events.
- Fireworks Restrictions Press Conference and Patrol. July 3-4 & 24.
- Public Information Officer receives "Communications in a Major Incident" award from the Utah PIO Association for her work on the 5.7 Magna Earthquake.

- Continue collaboration with Salt Lake County political subdivisions on alignment of Emergency Management Plans.
- Salt Lake County Emergency Management staff were featured speakers at the 2021 National Homeland Security Conference in Las Vegas.
- Collaborated with the State of Utah to secure funding and launch Juvare/WebEOC statewide.
- EM participated in a three-day Region VIII Earthquake Rehearsal of Concepts exercise in Salt Lake City.
- SLCoEM Intelligence Unit developed a county-wide working group which supports fire, law enforcement, and county leadership by developing intelligence products to drive intelligence-led decision making.
- SLCoEM Intelligence Unit developed and implemented an information sharing policy which was adopted by every fire agency within the Salt Lake Valley.
- SLCoEM Intelligence Unit was instrumental in the information sharing process which discovered the potential for an active shooter incident.
- SLCoEM Intelligence Unit successfully trained over 80 Fire Chiefs and Captains from every fire agency in the county on the intelligence and information sharing process. This is part of an effort to standardize the information sharing process between fire, leadership, and public safety.

- Ongoing recovery grants management and activities for Magna Earthquake and Straight-Line Wind Event.
- Establishment and implantation of Suspicious Activity Reporting program for all 10 local fire agencies within Salt Lake County.
- ECC Coordinator graduated from the Basic Academy
- ECC Coordinator received her Grants Management Certificate
- Utah Division of Emergency Management presented the "Outstanding Partnership Award" to the Operations Chief, for all his work on the Emergency Management Agency Compact (EMAC) program.
- Operations section built and managed Salt Lake County's mass COVID vaccination drive through site at the Maverik Center from *February to June*.
- Organized and coordinated early mass vaccination clinics for all public safety employees in Salt Lake County to include police, fire, EMS, ski patrol, prison/jail guards, court security, federal agents (FBI, DEA, ATF, ICE, TSA, Secret Service, airport security/safety and probation/parole officers. (Jan.-Feb)
- FEMA Region VIII Wasatch Range Earthquake Response Plan Rehearsal of Concepts Exercise
- November 16-18, 2021.

- Completion of SLCo Government Center
 Evacuation and Communication Plan
 October 2.
- Filling of vacant Municipal Emergency
 Management Specialist Position (Brad Jewett)
 September 21.
- Filling of vacant Emergency Management
 Planning Specialist Position (Rebecca Weis)
 December 21.
- Assisted SLCo Health Department interview for Emergency Preparedness Bureau Director
 October 8, 2021.
- Completed and adopted Emergency Operations Plans and Continuity of Operations Plans for Brighton, Kearns, Magna, White City, Copperton and Emigration Canyon.
- Identified secondary emergency notification systems for Brighton, Kearns, Magna, White City, Copperton and Emigration Canyon.





Above: Director of Emergency Management,
Clint Mecham receives the "Emergency Manager
of the year" award from the Utah Emergency
Management Association

Left: Utah Division of Emergency Management presented the "Outstanding Partnership Award" to the Operations Chief, for all his work on the Emergency Management Agency Compact (EMAC) program.

Below: Salt Lake County Mayor Wilson and
Director of Salt Lake County Emergency
Management Clint Mecham at the Utah Emergency
Management Association Conference.



Emergency Management participates in UFA's "Roll Call" podcast.







Above: Salt Lake County leaders host a press conference on the fireworks restrictions for 2021.

Left: Fox 13 News interviews Salt Lake County Emergency Management
Director, Clint Mecham about the fireworks restrictions in Salt Lake County.







Little Cottonwood Canyon closed for avalanche mitigation.







Canyon crews working on avalanche mitigation.





Wildfire mitigation in California.





Flooding mitigation following the Parleys Canyon fire in August, 2021.



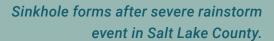




Incident command post for the EMAC deployment for the wildfires in California.



Severe rainstorm causes flooding in downtown Salt Lake City.









Debris from the severe rainstrom event in August, 2021.

Flooding in Salt Lake County following the severe rainstorm event in August.



CONFERENCES:

- Utah Emergency Management Association
 Annual Conference, Chet Ellis presented
 April 7-8, 2021
- Utah Public Information Officer Association Annual Conference
 - September 27-29, 2021
- National Homeland Security Conference
 August 30 September 6, 2021
- NYPD Cyber Intelligence and Counterterrorism Conference
 - August 25-26, 2021
- DPS Targeted Violence Regional TrainingNovember 18, 2021
- Governor's Safety SummitJuly 27-28, 2021
- Utah Gang Conference
 - August 3-4, 2021

ACTIVATIONS/ENHANCED WATCH:

- COVID-19 (March 1, 2020 Current)
- COVID-19 Vaccination rollout (January 2021)
- Inauguration Protests (January 2021)
- Millcreek Canyon Avalanche (February 6, 2021)
- Severe Weather Event Winter Storm (February 2021)
- Severe Drought (March 2021)
- ATF and National Response Team investigate Millcreek building fire (June 15-16, 2021)
- EMAC deployment to Oregon (July 18, 2021)
- EMAC deployment to Montana (July 22, 2021)
- Severe Weather Event: Flooding, rainstorms, and Mudslides in Big Cottonwood Canyon (August 1, 2021)
- EMAC deployment to Montana (August 4, 2021)
- EMAC deployment to California (August 9, 2021)

- EMAC deployment to California #2 (August 2021)
- EMAC deployment to California #3 (August – September 2021)
- EMAC deployment to California #4 (August – September 2021)
- Parleys Canyon fire (August 14, 2021)
- Severe Weather Event: Rainstorms (August 18, 2021)
- Mercury Contamination in Salt Lake City's Fairmont Park Pond (September 10, 2021)
- Line of Duty Death Illness, Unified Fire Authority's Captain Merrill Bone (October 31, 2021)
- FEMA IST request for resources
 National Hurricane Deployments by
 EM Staff for Hurricane Henri
 (August 20-24)
- FEMA IST request for resources National Hurricane Deployments by EM Staff for Hurricane Ida (August 27-September 8)

ACTIVATION LEVEL	CONDITIONS	STAFFING GUIDELINES
LEVEL 1	 A disaster which, due to its severity, size, location, actual or potential impact on public health, welfare, and infrastructure requires an extreme amount of direct county assistance for response and recovery efforts for which capabilities to support it do not exist at any level of local or state government Federal resources will be needed 	Full staffingAll emergency support functions and interagency liaisons
LEVEL 2	 A disaster which, due to its severity, size, location, actual or potential impact on public health, welfare, and infrastructure requires a high amount of direct county assistance for response and recovery efforts State-wide resources will most likely be needed 	 Mid-level staffing Most but not all emergency support functions and interagency liaisons
LEVEL 3	 A disaster which, due to its severity, size, location, actual or potential impact on public health, welfare, and infrastructure requires a moderate amount of direct county assistance for response and recovery efforts 	 Moderate staff Only select emergency support functions and interagency liaisons
ENHANCED WATCH	 Salt Lake County Emergency Coordination Center (SLCoECC) staff is actively monitoring the situation The SLCo ECC is not activated 	 Anticipation of county assistance and/or immediate response to disaster
WATCH STEADY STATE	 No event or incident anticipated The SLCo ECC maintains situational awareness 	■ Normal office staff



Above and right: Parleys Canyon Fire August 14, 2021



A fire crew at the basecamp of a wildfire in California.



UFA participates in the Line of Duty Death funeral for UFA Captain Merrill Bone, October 31, 2021.



Emergency Coordination Center Tours:

■ Salt Lake City Fire Department/Emergency Management Staff – *August 17, 2021*

Booths/Events:

■ EM Staff Participated with FDNY in the 20th Anniversary of the September 11 Attacks in NYC

Trainings/Exercises/Workshops:

- LNO October 25-27, 2021
- FEMA Public Information Officer Basics Course October 26 28, 2021
- Suspicious Activity Reporting and Current
 Threat Landscape
 November 8-12, 2021
- FEMA Active Shooter Incident Management (ASIM)

 June 1-4, 2021
- Operations Captain is completing the Master Exercise
 Practitioner Program (MEPP) and completed the classroom
 portion this last summer (2 separate weeks) *April &*September 2021. He is currently working on the capstone
 exercise that will be completed by *August of 2022*



Fox 13 News interviews Director Clint Mecham on the 1 year anniversary of the 5.7 Magna Earthquake.

CURRENT AND ONGOING PROJECTS

New Salt Lake County Emergency Management Website

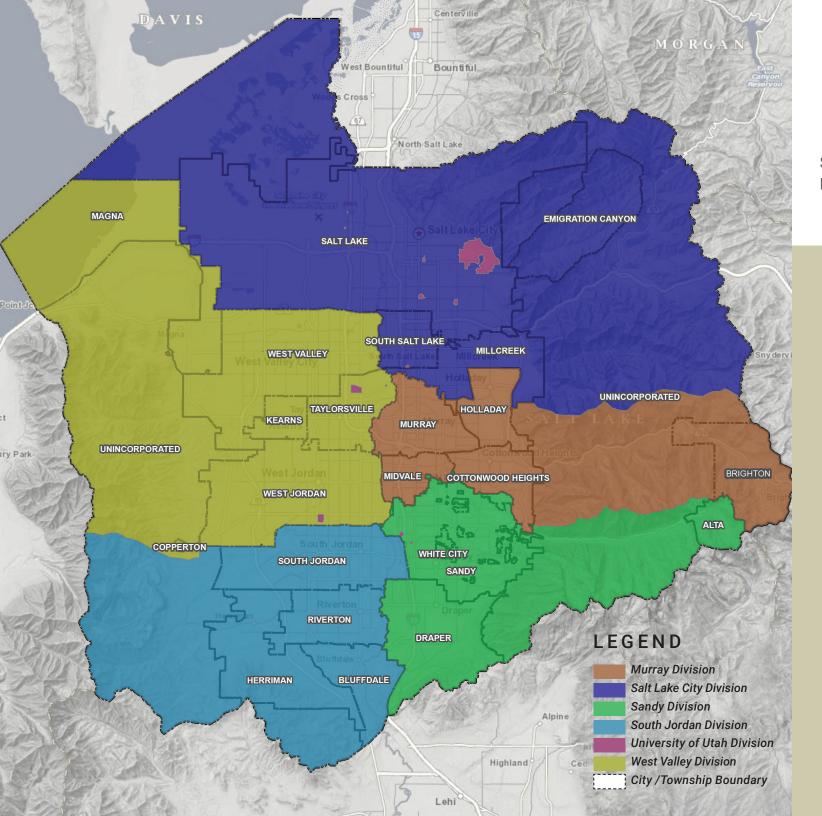
Salt Lake County Emergency Management hired a contractor to redesign their website, slcoem. org. The new website will be optimized for smart phones and tablets and will feature new and updated imagery, preparedness information for all hazards, local emergency information and a full calendar of classes and trainings. The new website will be completed and live in early 2022.

Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Exercise Series

SLCoEM Planning/Intelligence is continuing the exercise series involved with the FEMA Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack grant funding. The capstone project, as well as the full-scale exercise will be executed in Spring of 2022; and will close out this exercise series.

Statewide EMAC Mobilization Plan and Process

Wrote the Utah Fire Service EMAC Mobilization Guide that will be used for the upcoming EMAC season. It is a new document that is a comprehensive guide for all aspects of Utah fire service EMAC deployments and will be used by all deploying agencies in our state. It will be updated annually and will standardize and clearly define all our EMAC processes and procedures moving forward. It's currently in the EMAC team review phase and a final draft will hopefully be released in a couple months.



Salt Lake County
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DIVISION MAP





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