Tillamook County



PUBLIC WORKS Solid Waste Department

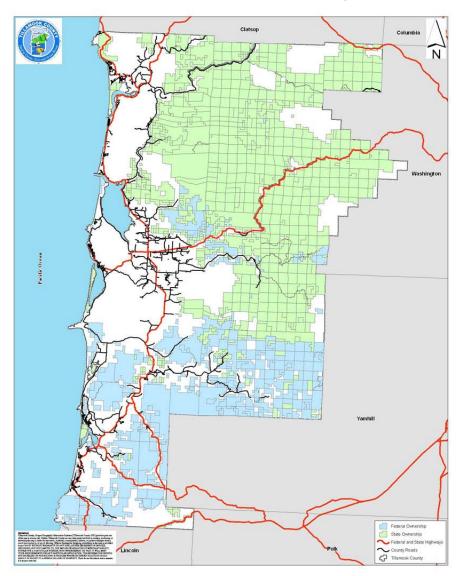
TILLAMOOK COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

Presentation to the

House Veterans' Services and Emergency Preparedness Committee

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Tillamook County





- Access roads to county
- Coast
- Neighboring counties

Local "regular" disasters



Wind/Flooding

Easy to forget – thanks in part because of preparedness

Recent severe weather events:

- November 2006 50 year flood
- December 2006 10 year wind event
- January 2007 20 year snow event
- December 2007 hurricaneforce winds & flood
- Winter 2008-09 3 floods
- January 2011 Flood
- March 2012 Flood
- November 2012 Flood







Local "regular" disasters





Challenges:

- Work needs to be started/completed immediately, most often before a disaster is federally declared
- Funding



Happened elsewhere, effects come later



Challenges:

- Timing unknown
- Quantities at best are only a guess





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- Funding does not fit present formulae
- example: EPS densifier



Large disaster

- Debris Management Plan adopted in 2007/2008
- Mutual Aid Agreements
 - With cities
 - With other counties
 - With other agencies
- Contracts in place
 - With local contractors
 - Engineering Consultants



Known unknowns:

- Will we be cut off from other counties?
 - For how long?
 - Which roads/bridges will be usable?
- Will our present agreements suffice?
- Where will priorities be higher?

Debris Plan updates

Barriers:

- Time
- Experience & Education
- Land Use
- Funding





Summary



- We have a proven ability to bounce back from smaller storms
- We have good volunteer and education networks in place
 - Regularly informing and educating
- We struggle with daily challenges, which inhibit our ability to better plan for an event which may or may not occur during our lifetimes