

## DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ANSWERS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT QUESTIONS:

1. It's our understanding that FEMA will provide a 75% reimbursement for the purchase of PPE in most circumstances, but it requires the state to construct a purchasing project with FEMA and win approval. Has OEM, Governor Brown, or another agency attempted to build such a project using FEMA's Public Assistance program?

DAS initially made PPE purchases with DAS operating funds, and then shifted those costs to CRF when it became available. Early in the process we also requested a FEMA advance for PPE, which has come in totaling just over \$7.5 million (\$7,509,180.04). That FEMA advance was applied to PPE purchases retroactively last week. We believe most of the remaining PPE purchases will be FEMA eligible, but that paperwork has not been submitted to FEMA yet. We will continue to make PPE purchases using available CRF resources, and will rebook those expenditures with FEMA if/when we get reimbursed.

2. Secondly, is the current PPE supply chain sufficiently robust to allow Oregon to build the proposed stockpile? It's our understanding that production is sufficient for the country's PPE users to purchase their needs for two weeks at a time, but large orders have been disruptive to the supply chain.

The supply chain is much better now than it was two months ago with the exception of N95 masks. Oregon has our target supply for gowns, surgical masks, face shields and gloves. Although it's important to note that we go through gloves rapidly and the supply chain for gloves is still a challenging one. The \$109 million that we have already committed/spent on PPE has resulted in the target supply that I mentioned above. Of the remaining \$41 million, (out of our total PPE projections of \$150 million) we will need to use some of that to reach our target for N95 masks. In addition, we are using that remainder to build the supply chain in Oregon for N95 masks. We have already entered into a contract with one manufacturer (D6) who is working on getting their NIOSH approval to produce N95 masks. Upon approval, we will commit to additional purchases from D6. We are in communication with a second Oregon company who is also seeking NIOSH approval for N95 mask production and in concert with Business Oregon, we are continuing to look for other opportunities to build a local supply chain for all PPE products. We are particularly interested in finding a business that would be interested in producing gloves. And finally, if Oregon experiences a large surge this fall and winter and we begin to deplete our PPE supply beyond what we have prepared for, we would need some of these resources to make additional PPE purchases.

We do not have any knowledge about the statement that production is sufficient for the country's PPE users to purchase their needs for two weeks at a time, but large orders have been disruptive to the supply chain.