



OREGON DEPARTMENT OF **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Establishment Update

**Testimony to the
House Interim Committee on
Veterans and Emergency Management**

September 22, 2022



Vision | Mission | Values

VISION

An established, equitable culture of preparedness that empowers Oregonians to thrive in times of crisis.

MISSION

The Oregon Department of Emergency Management leads collaborative statewide efforts, inclusive of all partners and the communities we serve, to ensure the capability to get help in an emergency and to protect, mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies and disasters regardless of cause.

CORE VALUES

ADVOCACY

COLLABORATION

INNOVATION

LEADERSHIP



HB 2927 Impacts

HB 2927 created the Oregon Department of Emergency Management, providing additional DAS agency support resources.

Advisory Council changes

- Oregon Homeland Security Council (new)
 - OEM Director as Vice Chair
 - OEM provides staff support

- Local Government Emergency Management Advisory Council
 - Established within ODEM
 - OEM provides staff support

- Emergency Preparedness Advisory Council
 - Established within Office of the Governor
 - OEM position on the Council
 - OEM provides staff support



Immediate Outcomes

- **Regional Coordinator** program integration
 - Mitigation, response and recovery support
 - Drought support and coordination
 - Local EOC and incident liaisons
- **Equity centered** policies and operations
- **Success** with federal mitigation grant applications
- **Improved** information accessibility and equity
- **Direct** connections with county emergency management
- **Targeted** community recovery assistance
- **Emergency management focused** organization and administration





Looking Ahead

Ongoing efforts and outcomes for all Oregonians:

- 24/7 Watch and Warning Capabilities
- State-funded disaster recovery programs
- Improved Emergency Coordination Center facility
- Investments to leverage federal mitigation grant funds
- Dedicated resources to assist with federal grant compliance
- Emergency Management Modernization



Stay Tuned...

Thank you, questions?

