

HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND VETERANS

November 17, 2025
08:30 AM

Hearing Room E

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Thuy Tran, Chair
Rep. Rick Lewis, Vice-Chair
Rep. Mari Watanabe, Vice-Chair
Rep. Court Boice
Rep. Dacia Grayber
Rep. Alek Skarlatos

MEMBER(S) EXCUSED: Rep. Paul Evans

STAFF PRESENT: Beverly Anderson, LPRO Analyst
Jacob Kashlak, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS: Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

MEASURES/ISSUES: Winter Weather Preparation and Planning – Informational Meeting
Wildfire Season Report – Informational Meeting
Veteran Population – Informational Meeting
Overview of Committee Work Groups, Committee and Member Legislative Concepts – Informational Meeting

00:00:03 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:04 Chair Tran

00:00:14 **Winter Weather Preparation and Planning - Informational Meeting**

00:00:15 Chair Tran

00:00:38 Seiji Shiratori, Strategic Communications Manager and Legislative Coordinator, Oregon Department of Emergency Management (OEM)

00:00:54 Andrew Jahier, Director, Response and Recovery, OEM

00:09:02 Travis Brouwer, Deputy Director, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)

00:14:35 Rep. Grayber

00:15:50 Darrin Neavoll, Regional Manager, ODOT

00:19:35 Vice-Chair Lewis

00:25:00 Rep. Boice

00:26:13 Laura Tabor, Legislative Affairs Director, Public Utility Commission

00:26:25 April Brewer, Senior Utility Analyst, Oregon Public Utility Commission (PUC)
00:42:07 Nora Yotsov, Director, Emergency Management, Pacific Power
01:00:04 Tiffany Brown, Emergency Manager, Lane County

01:09:28 **Wildfire Season Report - Informational Meeting**
01:09:29 Chair Tran
01:09:55 Mariana Ruiz-Temple, Oregon State Fire Marshal (OSFM)
01:12:39 Kyle Williams, Deputy Director of Fire Protection, Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF)
01:20:40 Travis Medema, Chief Deputy, OSFM
01:25:12 Rep. Grayber
01:29:49 Rep. Boice
01:38:47 Vice-Chair Lewis
01:40:43 Rick Fletcher, Assistant District Forester, Central Oregon District, ODF
01:51:28 Jeff Johnson, Retired Fire Chief
01:58:30 Ty Rupert, Sheriff, Deschutes County
02:01:40 Benjamin Duda, Emergency Manager, Deschutes County

02:05:52 **Veteran Population - Informational Meeting**
02:05:53 Chair Tran
02:06:30 Nakeia Council Daniels, Director, Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA)
02:21:00 Vice-Chair Lewis

02:23:30 **Overview of Committee Work Groups, Committee and Member Legislative Concepts - Informational Meeting**
02:23:31 Chair Tran
02:27:38 Rep. Boice
02:29:46 Meeting Adjourned