July 2019 Earthquake Swarm

OES Field Response

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10:33 a.m. July 4th: Mag 6.4 EQ Searles Valley/Ridgecrest

• 10:35 a.m. - Magnitude 4.7 aftershock
• 12:15 p.m. - OA EOC activated Level 3 / Ridgecrest Hospital evacuated
• 1:30 p.m. - Multiple SCE power outages in the Trona Region
• State Operations Center (SOC) activated to Level 2
• Governor Newsom declares State of Emergency for Kern County for the “Ridgecrest Earthquake”
TIMELINE

July 5th:

• 8:00 a.m. - Ridgecrest Hospital still closed
• 10:15 a.m. – “Boil Water” Notice issued in Trona
  • Searles Valley Water Company
  • Portions of Trona without running water, restoration estimated July 6
• American Red Cross (ARC) shelter opened in Ridgecrest
• 7:00 p.m. - OA EOC transitions from Level 3 to Duty Officer
  
  WE ALL THOUGHT WE WERE GOOD TO GO!
• County OES coordinates with Land Use Services (LUS) to send a team to conduct community needs assessment in Trona
8:31 p.m. July 5TH: Mag 7.1 EQ near Trona

- 10:30 p.m. - OA EOC upgraded to Level 2 activation
- Liaison Officers from National Guard/County Dept. respond to OA EOC
- County Fire Divisions move equipment onto their pads and begin assessing damage
- Numerous power outages and gas leaks in the affected area
- Reports of damage and injuries Trona / Ridgecrest area
### July 6th:

- Agency reps from ICEMA/PH/Sheriff/Utilities onsite at OA EOC
- County Fire heavy USAR assets onscene, operations underway in Trona and Fire continues assessing injuries and damage
- 1:04 a.m. - SB County proclaims a Local Emergency
- Governor issues a Proclamation of State of Emergency and requests a Presidential Declaration of Major Emergency
- Caltrans and County Road crews working to open roads
- Union Pacific Railroad stops all operations until completion of full survey and inspections
OAEOC was activated for 18 days 24 hr. operations
Height of event 58+ EOC responders
Additional personnel staffed the CPOD, LAC, and Recovery Center (20+)
To date $4.6 million in response costs
ACCESS ISSUES
STATISTICS

• OES Staff – 4
  • Incident Management
  • Logistics
  • LAC Support
• CERT Personnel – 52
• ECS Personnel – 26
• VOAD Personnel – 75
• Volunteer hours – 6,500+
COMMODITY POINT OF DISTRIBUTION – CPOD July 6-20
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CPOD Distribution:
- 21,600 cases of bottled water (450 pallets)
- 1,275 bottles of one-gallon bottled water
- 281 cases of Gatorade
- 46,200 pounds of ice
- 45 cases of diapers
- 280 waterless hygiene kits
- 640 2.5 gallon bottles for non-potable water
- 235 cases of MREs
- 34,000 gallons non potable water
- 28,000 gallons potable water
Trona Town Hall July 10
• LAC = 646 clients
• Resident calls for damage assessment/other services = 78
• ARC Shelter Ridgecrest = 45 utilized services/37 stayed at the shelter
• EHS = 10 food facilities were inspected
• ACC = 25 dogs and cats were impounded/19 dogs/cats remained at the shelter/total 74 field service calls were completed
• MSU = 94 clients were seen including 6 home visits and 2 medical transports to Ridgecrest Regional Hospital
July 19th to August 8th

- LAC closes and transitions to *Recovery Center* to focus on those with continuing needs and case management
  - Public Health
  - Behavioral Health
  - Aging and Adult Services
  - Land Use Services
  - ARC Client Services
- CPOD closes
- SBA DLOC opens August 9th

**Properties Inspected Trona, Argus, Red Mountain and Windy Acres:** Total: 1,168

- Properties affected by Earthquake: 165
- Red Tags Issued: 44
  - 31 residential or accessory to a structure
  - 9 Commercial Properties
  - 4 Underground Storage Fuel tanks (Shell Station)

- Yellow Tags Issued: 58
  - 53 residential or accessory to a structure
  - 5 commercial properties
Behavioral Health team provided behavioral health services at the CPOD and LAC.

- 47 Home Visits Conducted

RECOVERY OPERATIONS/COST RECOVERY CONTINUES
LESSONS LEARNED

- High Heat Event (116)
- 140 Miles Out
- CPOD Material Handling
- Incident Messaging/Community Outreach
- Dept. Contact list
- Staff Travel/Hotel Rooms
- Telecommunications
- Incident Management
QUESTIONS?