



# 2021 Local Government Spring Symposium Draft Program

Hosted by LOC and OMA



## **Friday, May 7, 2021**

**8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.**

**Welcome**

**8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.**

**Opening Keynote Speaker**

**Title:** Hurricane Katrina: Disaster Response and Lessons Learned

**Description:** Bruce Jones will recount the Coast Guard's response to Hurricane Katrina through the lens of his experience as Commanding Officer of USCG Air Station New Orleans at the time, beginning with his arrival over the flooded city at the controls of a search and rescue helicopter just hours after the hurricane came ashore. His presentation will discuss the impact of responding despite devastated transportation, communications, and governmental infrastructure, and relate the experience to the challenges we will face after a Cascadia Subduction Zone event.

**Speaker:**

- Mayor Bruce Jones, Astoria

**9:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.**

**Break**

**9:50 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. (60 min)**

**First Set of Breakout Sessions**

9:50 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

**How to Communicate with Constituents During an Emergency**

**Speakers:**

- Mayor Brian Dalton, Dallas
- Mayor Beth Wytoski, Dayton
- Mayor Cross, Toledo, Moderator

9:50 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

**Prepare, Prevent, Respond and Recover After Critical Events**

9:50 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

**Earthquake Resilience: Integrating ShakeAlert into Your Community**

**Description:** The ShakeAlert Earthquake Early Warning System is now operational in Oregon. Learn how earthquake early warning is possible, how the Oregon public can receive earthquake early warning alerts, and how to take full advantage of ShakeAlert through integration of alerts into city critical infrastructure.

**Speaker:**

- Lucy Walsh, University of Oregon

9:50 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

**CERT Teams/Training - You're Not Alone**

**Speaker:** Kimber Townsend, Polk County, CERT

**10:50 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.**

**Break**

**11:10 – 12:10 p.m. (60 minutes)**

**Second Set of Breakout Sessions**

11:10 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

**Emergency Preparedness - Lessons Learned**

11:10 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

**How to Communicate with the Press During an Emergency**

**Speaker:**

- Anne Marie Levis, Funk Levis

11:10 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

**Roles & Responsibilities of Elected Officials and City Staff During an Emergency**

**Speaker:**

- Patty Mulvihill, General Counsel, LOC

11:10 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

**Emergency Management Planning: Preparing and Responding to Disasters**

**Description:** With recent wildfire and ice storms throughout Oregon, there has never been a better time to develop your emergency management plans. The panel will discuss planning for responding to disasters and how that informs the development of your emergency management plan and continuity of operations plan (COOP). With a specific focus on protecting your Heritage Properties through the

development of a Disaster Resilience Plan for Heritage Resources (DRHR).

**Speakers:**

- Amanda Ferguson, City Planner, Cottage Grove
- Katie Durfee, Risk Management Supervisor, CIS
- Dave Nelson, Deputy Property/Casualty Trust Director, CIS

**12:20 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.**

**Lunch Break/Affinity Group Meetings**

**1:20 p.m. – 2:20 p.m. (60 min)**

**Second Set of Breakout Sessions**

1:20 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

**Crisis Management**

**Speaker:**

- Heather Buch, Lane County Commissioner

1:20 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

**Creating an Emergency Operations Plan**

**Speakers:**

- Patence Winningham, Emergency Manager, Lane County
- Luis Hernandez, PGE

1:20 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

**The Legal Challenges that Arise When Preparing for and Responding to Emergencies**

**Speaker:**

- David Doughman, Beery Elsner & Hammond

1:20 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

**Roles of OEM and National Guard During an Emergency**

**Speakers:** OEM & National Guard

**2:20 p.m. – 2:40 p.m.**

**Break**

**2:40 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.**

**Closing Keynote**

**Speaker:** OEM Director, Andrew Phelps

**3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.**

**Networking Reception**