**Cal OES Southern Region Update**

**San Diego UDC meeting February 18 2021**

**Southern Region Staff updates**

- Imperial County – Jose Contreras
- Ventura County – Chris Valenzuela

Out Going Staff –

- Jim Acosta interim RA – Retired
- Sr. ESC Sonia Brown - California Department of Food and Agriculture
- Erika Baker ( Cal EOC) – California Department of Social Services

**California / FEMA COVID Vaccination Sites**

- Ca University Dominguez Hill
- Ca University Los Angeles

**Dam Program**

**Cal OES and FEMA have been partnering to provide Dam Safety Collaborative Technical Assistance to San Diego County.** Timeframe: November 2019 – April 2021 (Timeline extended due to COVID-19 interruptions.)

Participants: FEMA National Dam Safety, FEMA National Integration Center, US Army Corps of Engineers, Cal OES Dam Safety Planning, San Diego County OES, San Diego County floodplain management, City of San Diego (dam owner), and other dam owners.

Outcomes:

- New and renewed partnerships between dam owners and operators, public safety officials, and organizations at risk of dam related emergencies
- Greater understanding of operational considerations for dam owners and operators before, during, and after dam-related emergencies and the associated consequences of these actions
- Enhanced risk communication strategies and better protective action decision-making
- Training on modeling and analysis of dam failure scenarios
- Review of plans and assessments, including emergency operations plans and dam emergency action plans

Upcoming: Final exercise tentatively scheduled for 4/21/21 and 4/22/21

Earthquake & Tsunami Program:

1) The State is partnering with the Redwood Coast Tsunami Workgroup to remember the Tohoku Tsunami that occurred 10 years ago on March 11, 2011, claiming one life and causing over $100 million dollars to California's coastal area. For more information, please visit: https://rctwg.humboldt.edu/
2) Tsunami Preparedness Week is scheduled for March 22-26, 2021. The State plans to host and support several virtual tsunami outreach events during this week. https://www.tsunamizone.org/
3) Outreach materials funded by the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP) Grant are available from the Cal OES Earthquake Program this includes: Earthquake Underbed bags (English and Spanish), Rocket's Earthquake Safety Adventure (English, Spanish), Staying Safe Where the Earth Shakes (English, Spanish), Safe Mobile Home Flier, 7-Steps to a Resilient Workplace, Preparedness with Pedro, and I'm Okay window cards. Also note that the Rocket's Rules website includes children's videos and their Earthquake Safety Adventure publication downloadable in English, Spanish, Chinese, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Armenian, French, Japanese, and Korean at https://rocketrules.org/earthquake-activity-books-videos/ . For hardcopy materials listed above contact Sharon.blankenheinm@caloes.ca.gov
4) Cal OES coordination continues with the Earthquake Country Alliance (ECA), recent webinars on the Seven Steps to Earthquake Safety and Regional Workshop recordings are available on the ECA website. A recording of the February 10th Workshop featuring speakers on the 1971 San Fernando Earthquake should be posted soon. https://www.earthquakecountry.org/ the Spanish version of the website is located here: https://www.terremotos.org/
5) The Earthquake and Tsunami Program coordinated with the Disaster Resistant Business Toolkit Workgroup to host two webinars for small businesses to increase their post-disaster continuity, supported with National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP) FY19 funding. Under NEHRP FY20 funding, two additional webinars will be held this spring following the same agenda in support of small businesses. https://www.drbtoolkit.org/
6) Earthquake and Tsunami Program coordinated with the California Geological Survey (CGS) and Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI) on two informational webinars on the California Earthquake Clearinghouse and post event operations, supported with NEHRP FY19 funding. Recordings will soon be available on the California Earthquake Clearinghouse website: https://californiaeqclearinghouse.org/ If you'd like to learn more and be included on post event information distribution, go to the website to join the California Earthquake Clearinghouse mailing list.