

**SAN DIEGO UNIFIED DISASTER COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES**

**June 26, 2025**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Julie Jeakle called the meeting to order at 9:01 am and roll call was taken.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**MEMBER**

CARLSBAD  
CHULA VISTA  
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
DEL MAR/ENCINITAS/ SOLANA BEACH  
ESCONDIDO  
IMPERIAL BEACH  
LA MESA  
LEMON GROVE  
POWAY  
SAN DIEGO  
SAN MARCOS  
VISTA

Kim Young  
Marlon King  
Julie Jeakle  
Joshua Gordon  
Jeff Murdock  
John French  
Ray Sweeney  
Andy McKellar  
Brian Mitchell  
Steven Lozano  
Daniel Barron  
Brett Davidson

**3. CALL FOR PUBLIC INPUT**

There were 2 requests for public comments.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

ACTION: The minutes of April 24, 2025, were unanimously approved.

*No public comments.*

**5. HIRT Budget Recommendation – Shannon Nuzzo, County OES**

ACTION: Proposed subcommittee recommended budget was unanimously approved.

*1 public comment.*

**6. Informational Presentations and Standing Reports**

**A. Air Quality Monitoring Overview – Dr. David Sodeman, APCD**

- San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (SDAPCD) was established in 1955 as a government agency that strives to reduce air pollution in San Diego County.
- SDAPCD is in a constant cycle of controlling air pollution through monitoring, inspecting, testing, adapting and implementing new laws and rules.
- Pollutants are measured throughout multiple monitoring locations in San Diego to ensure compliance with state and federal laws.
- SDAPCD is available to respond to a disaster when requested. Deployment of equipment may be delayed due to not currently having MOAs or transportation options in place for stationary equipment. Staff are only able to work from safe zones and do not have the resources or training to go into dangerous areas. Some testing requires lab resources and weeks of analysis which will

not provide immediate guidance for first responders or community members.

**Air Quality Monitoring Overview** – Leon Wirschem, DEHQ

- Hazardous Incident Response Team (HIRT) is a combined team consisting of San Diego Fire-Rescue and County of San Diego Department of Environmental Health and Quality (DEHQ) since 1986.
- HIRT consists of State of California trained hazardous material technicians and specialists operating within incident command systems.
- Monitoring for hazards includes actual or threatened releases of hazardous materials, radiological and select biological agents.
- HIRT works with local, state and federal partners depending on the size and scope of the incident.

**B. Community Outreach & Strategic Engagement Strategy** – Yuliana Briceno, Myla Barker, Sophia Gonzalez, County OES

- OES is in the beginning stages of developing a community outreach and engagement strategy.
- The emphasis will be on the importance of inclusive participation, transparent communication, and collaborative partnerships to build trust, enhance preparedness, and ensure that all community members are supported before, during and after disasters.
- Final community outreach and engagement strategy completion date is set for October 2025.

**C. Cal OES Report** – Patrick Buttron, Cal OES

- Monitoring LA fires and recovery options.
- Working with law enforcement on potential protests.
- Monitoring fires.
- Preparing for fire season and fire threats.
- Working on EOP and fuel plan update.
- No updates on Cal OES Grants. Waiting on federal grant status updates.

**D. State Homeland Security Program Grant** – Ron Cacho, County OES

- FY 2021- San Diego County's final reimbursement request has been submitted to CalOES.
- FY 2022- San Diego County's final reimbursement request has been submitted to CalOES.
- FY 2023- Additional cash reimbursement requests have been processed. Please submit any outstanding requests. The deadline for requests is Monday, June 30, 2025. If an extension is needed, please submit your request by June 30, 2025. The subrecipient monitoring visits process is currently ongoing.
- FY 2024- Majority of jurisdictions have submitted completed grant signature authorization forms, standard assurances, single audits and grants management assessment questionnaires. If you have not submitted yet, please do so as soon as possible.

**E. Urban Area Security Initiative Grant Program** – Katie Mugg, City of San Diego OES

- FY 2023 Grant is closing in December. Projection reports have been sent out. Please fill out and submit as soon as possible. These reports will be used to determine any possible re-allocations.
- FY 2024 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was changed slightly to streamline the process. Once award letters are received the new MOU will be sent out.
- FY 2025 Not much information is available currently. Grant cycle will be pushed back by at least a month.
- Jeff Chumbly has been hired to replace Alan Franklin who retired. He will be updating the training plan and IPP.

*1 public comment.*

7. **Executive Report** – Julie Jeakle, County of San Diego OES

A. **Common Operating Picture Platform Requirements Working Group**

- Web EOC was re-platformed and permissions were standardized. Adoption has been low across the board.
- Web EOC contract has been extended for 1 year as we are investigating options for a system that will work best across the board.
- We would like to start a steering committee with John Mead as lead to find the best solution moving forward. The steering committee will look into system requirements and see if we can get Web EOC to meet those or if there is a new system that would better meet our needs.
- The goal is to have a solution within the 1-year contract extension time frame.

B. **Other**

- BioWatch is a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) program that was developed for early warning detection. Public Health was informed it has been put on hold due to federal funding. Per SDAPCD of today the funding has been reinstated and BioWatch will continue.
- Federal legislation continues to be uncertain. OES will continue to monitor state and federal legislation for any updates.

*No public comments.*

8. **NEXT REGULAR MEETING** – August 21, 2025, from 9:00 – 11:00 am  
County of San Diego OES – 5580 Overland Avenue, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92123

9. **MEETING ADJOURNED – 10:52 AM**