

# **Recovering From Disasters**

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**With Available Resources  
and Trained Local Officials**

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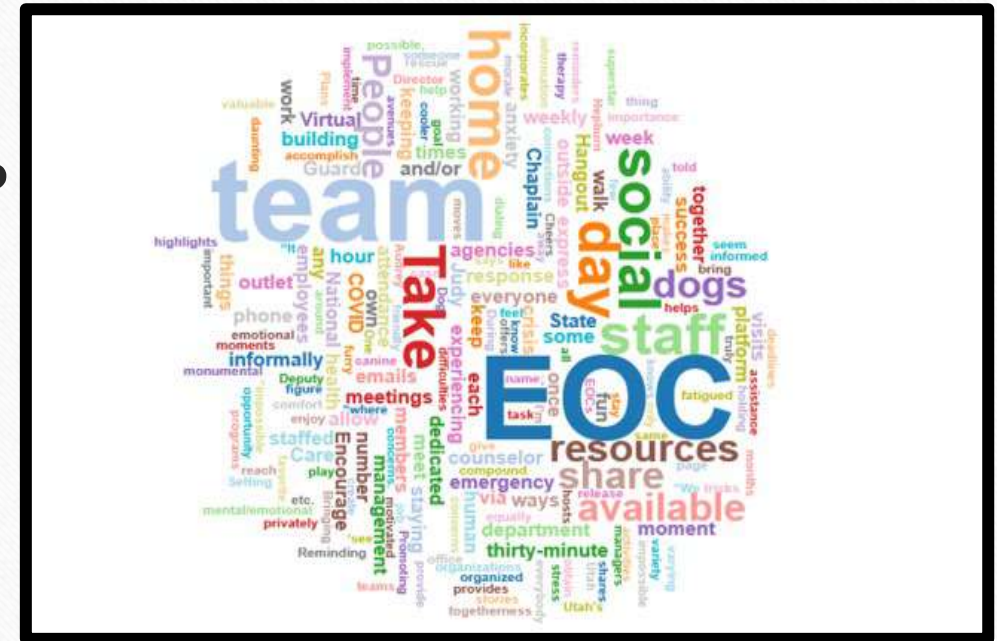
# Subjects

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- **The State Response to the 2023 Flooding Incident**
- **Some Available Resources for Cities, Towns, and Tribes**

# State Emergency Operations Center

- All disasters are local.
- If the city/county does not have the resources needed, then they request help from the state.
- The EOC is a coordination center for all state agencies.
- Besides resources, information is gathered for the Governor's office and other agencies.





# The State Response to the 2023 Flooding Incident

- Flooding was expected to be heavy from all the snow over the winter.
- The EOC was activated to a level 2.

EOC Activation Levels				
<b>State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Status</b>				
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# Lifelines

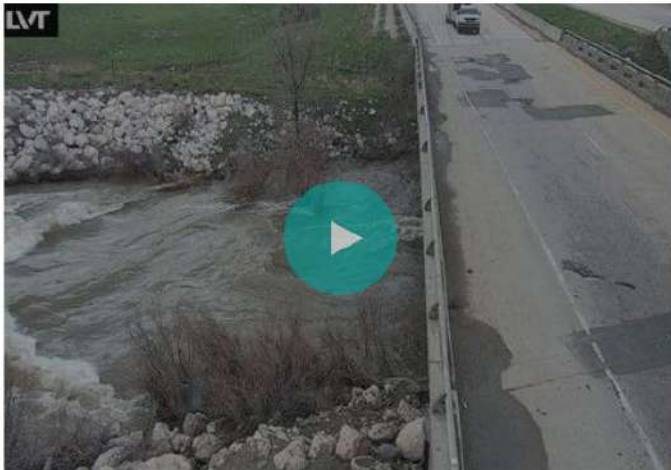


# The State Response to the 2023 Flooding Incident

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- **The Governor's office allocated funds to help with the flooding efforts.**
- **Over 3 million sandbags were distributed.**

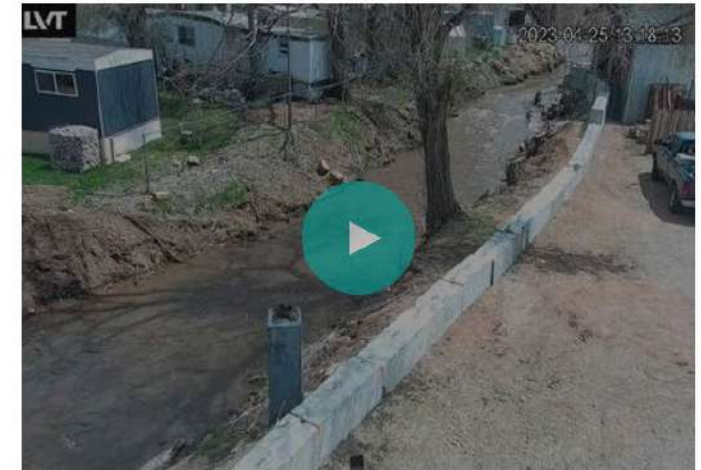
# 17 Cameras were placed throughout the state to monitor stream flows



OGDEN, UT  
WEBER RIVER



MEADOW, UT  
PINE CREEK



BEAVER, UT  
CHALK CREEK



# County Resource Requests

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- **Concrete Barriers**
- **Utah National Guard Support**
  - **Aerial Surveillance**
  - **Engineering Support**
- **UDOT Engineering Support**
- **TUSHER Diversion Repair**
- **Swimming Buoys**
- **Debris Removal**
- **Civil Air Patrol – Situational Awareness**

# Resources

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- The FEMA **Training Course: G0402** – NIMS Overview for Senior Officials
- The Utah Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (**UVOAD**)
- The Emergency Management Performance Grant (**EMPG**)
- The Direct Technical Assistance (**DTA**) Program

## **G0402-NIMS Overview for Senior Officials (National Incident Management System)**

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- Intended to be an introduction and overview of the Incident Command System (ICS) for elected officials and senior staff.
- The course covers basic ICS principles and how ICS is critically important for supporting effective emergency management.
- The course is designed to require a minimum of 3 ½ hrs. of instruction. More time is usually required for discussion, depending on the experience level of the class.

# **G0402-NIMS Overview for Senior Officials**

## **Course Subjects**

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- **NIMS – National Incident Management System**
- **ICS – Incident Command System**
- **Unified Command and Area Command**
- **MAC (Multi-Agency Coordination) Group**
- **Joint Information System**

# G0402-Incident Command System (ICS) Overview for Senior Officials

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- FEMA Website: [FEMAG0402](#)
- Utah Div. of Emergency Mgt. Website
  - [dem.utah.gov/training-and-exercise/training](http://dem.utah.gov/training-and-exercise/training)
- Ronda Warner
  - [rwarner1@utah.gov](mailto:rwarner1@utah.gov)
  - 385-522-1678

## The Utah Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (UVOAD)

<https://utahvoad.org>

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- A coalition of non-profit and faith-based organizations that respond to disasters as part of their overall mission.

# Utah VOAD Members

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- Adventist Community Services
- American Red Cross
- ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service)
- Churches of Scientology Disaster Response
- Habitat for Humanity
- Latter-Day Saint Charities
- Lutheran Social Svcs. – Disaster Response
- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
- The Salvation Army
- Team Rubicon
- United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)
- United Way 2-1-1
- Utah/Idaho Southern Baptist Disaster Relief
- Utah Food Bank
- Utah Medical Reserve Corps

# Sandy City Point of Distribution (POD) Exercise

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# **VOAD Partners Assisting with an Emergency Management Exercise**

<b>Utah VOAD Partner</b>	<b>Service / Items Provided</b>
<b>Latter-Day Saint Charities</b>	<b>Provided a semi-truck and water bottles.</b>
<b>Southern Baptist Disaster Relief</b>	<b>Provided a kitchen and food handlers to feed the volunteers at school parking lot.</b>
<b>Salvation Army</b>	<b>Provided a mobile canteen for staff at the Emergency Operations Center (EOC).</b>
<b>Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES)</b>	<b>Provided ham radio operators at the school parking lot and at the EOC.</b>

# Box Elder County Multi-Agency Resource Center (MARC)



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# VOAD Partners

## Assisting with a Multi-Agency Resource Center (MARC)

VOAD Partner	Services Provided
American Red Cross	Case Work
Habitat for Humanity	Home Repair
Salvation Army	Food, Spiritual Care
Team Rubicon	Debris Removal
Latter-Day Saint Charities	Clean-Up Kits, Spiritual Care
Southern Baptist Disaster Relief	Kitchen, Food Handlers, Spiritual Care
UMCOR-United Methodist Committee on Relief	Case Work

# Contact for Utah State VOAD

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- **Phone: 801-810-6519**
- **Website: [utahvoad.org](http://utahvoad.org)**
- **Utah VOAD President: Pat Malan (ARES)**
  - [pmalan@gmail.com](mailto:pmalan@gmail.com)

# The Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)

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- A non-disaster funding source for emergency management programs to enhance their already existing emergency management programs and activities.
- All public institutions of higher learning, cities, counties, and tribes located within the boundaries of the state of Utah who have established emergency management programs may apply for EMPG funds.

# An Established Emergency Management Program

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- Has existing plans which are promulgated and updated on a schedule.
- Has an emergency coordination or operations center with designated staff.
- Has an organizational structure that includes roles and responsibilities.
- Has the ability to facilitate communications and the coordination of resources in an emergency.
- Has dedicated funds and/or a budget specific to the Emergency Management Program, designating an emergency manager who is employed, and not just designated as other duties as assigned.
- This position cannot be contracted or held by an elected official.

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- Awards can increase or decrease based on the emergency manager's employment status (full-time, part-time, etc.), the jurisdiction's population size and the number of jurisdictions that apply each year.
- The jurisdiction is required to match the award at a minimum of 50%.
- In early spring, an announcement will be sent to any known emergency management programs on the state emergency management program managers email list. Applications are due annually in the spring.



# The Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)

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- EMPG Fact Sheet
- Website: [dem.utah.gov](http://dem.utah.gov)
  - Click on [GRANTS](#)
  - Click on [Non-Disaster Grants](#)
  - Click on [Emergency Management Performance Grant](#)

# **The Direct Technical Assistance (DTA) Program**

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- **Non-financial assistance to Utah communities and tribes to reduce disaster damage, build community resilience, and obtain and sustain successful mitigation.**
- **This is a service for communities that do not have the resources to do the work themselves.**

# Examples of DTA Projects

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- **Grant Writing**
- **Management Workshops**
- **Hazard Mitigation Plan Development**
- **Mitigation of a Specific Hazard**
- **Community Outreach and Partnership Development**

# Who is Eligible

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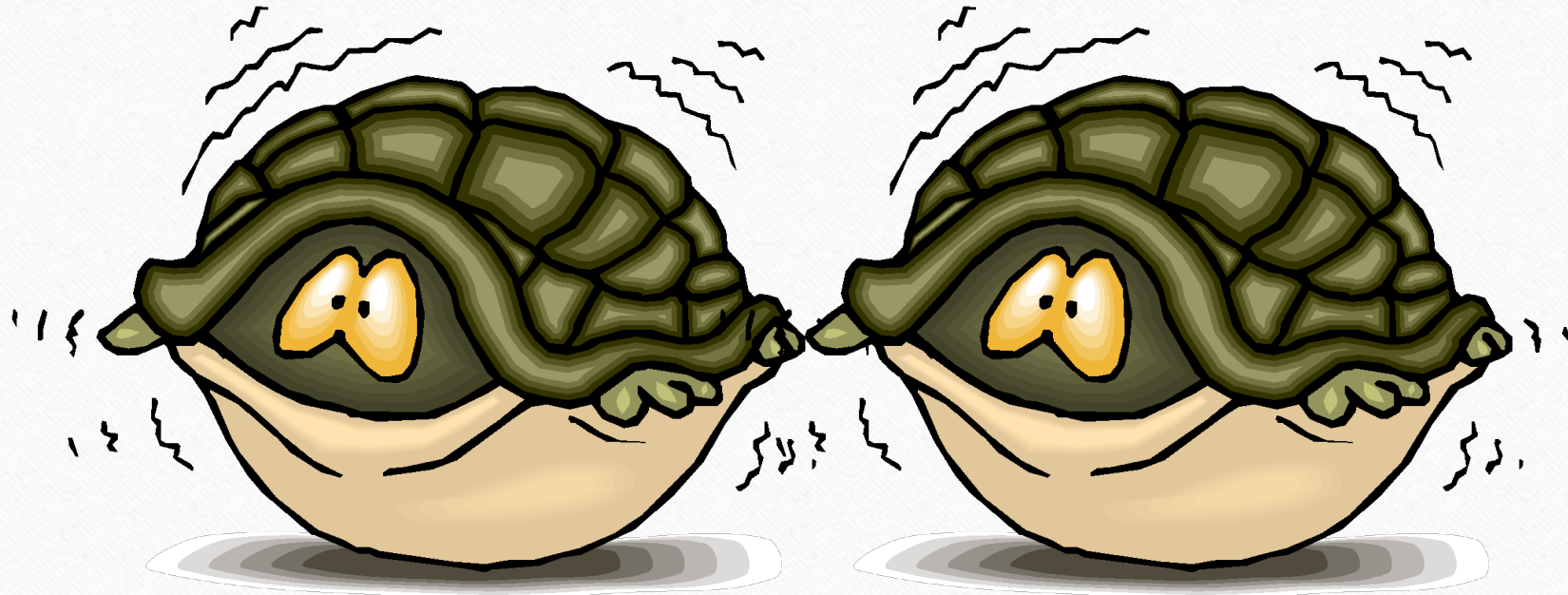
- **Cities, townships, counties, special district governments, and tribal governments**
- **Communities with capacity and capability issues that keep them from doing required actions on their own.**

# Contact for the DTA Program

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- State Hazard Mitigation Officer
- Kathy Holder
- [kcholder@utah.gov](mailto:kcholder@utah.gov)

# Comments / Questions



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