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# Northwest Region Newsletter

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### WORTH REPEATING!

**We ask a Favor of you!**

**If you have Departmental Staff that have moved on, or if you have new Staff onboard, please let us know and include contact details for the purpose of updating our Emergency Management contact lists!!!  
Thank you in Advance!!!**

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## Welcome to Fall 2018

**Agency Update** – With Fall now upon us, let's take a moment to look back at the summer. In the NW Region things were relatively quiet related to Emergency Management activities. Training tapered off as a result of vacations and folks being absent from the office. The application period for this year's EMPP Grant closed on Sep. 30 and we have received a good number of Applications. It was good to see a large number of communities take the initiative to apply this year. We also had AEA trainers from Edmonton up in the NW Region in mid-September and we were able to train up new users as well as provide refresher training to folks already on the system. It will likely be a while before the trainers get up this way again, so if you have any potential candidates you would like trained up before year end, the only training available will be in the Central Region of the Province, which will result in some extensive travel for folks from the NW.

**Course Update** – We recently had our 72-hr Personal Preparedness Train the Trainer Course worked over. This is a good foundational EM course that you are able to present to your communities once the 3-hr training offered by your NW Region Field Officers is completed. The course helps families with personal preparedness plans at home as well as providing basic insight into emergency preparedness and what items to consider when compiling a 72-hr kit. It is important to be aware that for the first 72 hrs of an incident, people could be on their own, so this course can serve as a real eye opener.

**CEMP Update!** – Nothing yet confirmed, but we are considering conducting a CEMP workshop with 2 NW training locations mid-December. In the meantime, a few new notables regarding CEMP: The number of documents you can add in the Emergency Plan as a NEW CUSTOM DOCUMENT has been increased from 20 to 50! That's a lot of additional space! Also, the document library contains the CEMP manual, covering all aspects of the program, including how-to's and tips of value to CEMP Users. Check it out by entering "CEMP Manual" in the search box. If you need any CEMP related assistance go to: [cemp@gov.ab.ca](mailto:cemp@gov.ab.ca) and Lori will be happy to help.

**REST Support Team Block 3 Training** – The Training dates have been confirmed! **November 20-22 in Grande Prairie!** This Block 3 Training picks up from the Block 2 training that took place in High Level, AB. back in June 2018.

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## Check this stuff out!

**IMPORTANT PH. NUMBERS!**  
**A Single Point of Contact for**  
**AHS – during Incidents**  
**where you require AHS**  
**assistance outside the usual**  
**EMS Response!**

Email: [SPOC \(edp@ahs.ca\)](mailto:edp@ahs.ca)

Ph. 1-844-755-1788

**POC: 1-866-618-2362**

**Always a Provincial Duty**  
**Officer there to answer**  
**your Call 24/7!**

**For Training – go to:**

<http://apsts.alberta.ca/online-courses/>

**Upon the Declaration of a**  
**SOLE - Fax the Declaration**  
**to the POC: (780) 644-7962**

**Additional SOLE Documents**

- Public Announcement
- Termination Form
- Renewal Form

When did your Community last complete a Risk Assessment on CEMP? It's so easy. **FYI - The Risk Assessment drives your Emergency Plan!**

**PLANNING-P Workshop:** The one day “**PLANNING P**” workshop in Grande Prairie has now been expanded to **2 Days!** At the Provincial Building on **Monday November 26<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 0830hrs to 1630hrs.** Day 1 will be a ‘walk through’ of the ‘P’ with Videos and IAP Forms, along with who is responsible for what forms and how the ‘P’ Cycle works. Day 2 will be one Operational Period where attendees will build an IAP going through the various meetings including an Operational Period Briefing. Participants will be mentored throughout the Workshop. Registrants with ICS 200 or 300 would benefit most from this training. Contact Ken or Brice to Register.

**AEMA 2018 Annual Summit:** confirmed dates are Tuesday December 4<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday December 5<sup>th</sup> – AEMA Stakeholder Relations has already sent out notifications and Registration is now open. Let us know if you have not received any initial correspondence from AEMA. This year’s Event will be held in Edmonton, AB. at the Delta Hotel South.

During Emergency Plan Reviews we often observe Plans that lack the Re-entry component so here are a few considerations when drafting a Re-entry Plan.

**Re-entry plans will be developed to coordinate the safe return of evacuees and restoration of services that should include the following:**

- Inspections of the affected areas and residences to be conducted
- Hazards are removed or mitigated
- Key infrastructure is made usable
- Utilities to be restored (may be turned on after residents are home)
- Clean up plans in place

All kinds of Information related to Re-Entry Plans and Re-Entry Guidelines are available by contacting your NW Region Field Officers.

**Quote of the Day:** *"The task of the leader is to get his people from where they are to where they have not been."* Henry Kissinger

Ken Hawrylenko and Brice Daly – Next Issue December 2018