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Emergency Manager's Weekly Report 5-17-13

(The articles, reports and additional information contained in this edition were collected from 5-10 to 5-17)

This edition of the Emergency Manager's Weekly Report is dedicated to Kenny Shaw. Kenny you were a great man and a dedicated emergency manager. Rest in Peace Brother!

Per Kenny and his family's wishes in lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the local ALS chapter. Here is the web address for the Texas chapter:

http://webtx.alsa.org/site/PageServer?pagename=TX_homepage

Kenny Shaw's Obituary and Memorial Service Information:

<http://www.resthavenfuneral.com/Obituaries/obituaries-detail.cfm?method=2&id=2223>



Kenny Shaw, Dallas' longtime emergency management director, has died (Texas)
<http://cityhallblog.dallasnews.com/2013/05/kenny-shaw-dallas-longtime-emergency-management-director-has-died.html/>

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Introduction and Contributions

Introduction

The Emergency Manager's Weekly Report started back in 2000 as a simple e-mail message to share news and resources with a select group of colleagues. Since then it has grown significantly and shares news and resources with emergency management professionals from around the world.

The Weekly Reports social media presence includes the following:

- [Facebook](#)
- [Linkedin](#)
- Twitter: [@steveorange2003](#)
- [Google](#) +

Feel free to like, join and follow these pages because I regularly share news and information through them daily.

Steve Detwiler
EM Weekly Report Creator

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News and Information Contributions

The following individuals or groups contribute to the Emergency Manager's Weekly Report.

- International Association of Emergency Managers
- National Emergency Management Association
- Florida Emergency Preparedness Association
- Emergency Management Institute, Higher Education Program
- Montgomery County, PA Department of Public Safety
- Natural Hazards Center
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Interagency Coordinating Council on Emergency Preparedness and Individuals with Disabilities
- EAD & Associates, LLC
- Emergency Information Infrastructure Project
- U.S. Access Board
- Florida Division of Emergency Management
- Dave Freeman
- Gregory Banner
- Arthur Rabjohn
- Martha Braddock
- Ed Kostiuik
- Kenny Shaw
- Dean Larson
- Chris Floyd
- CNN
- MSNBC
- Associated Press
- Reuters
- USAToday
- Time
- Drudge Report
- Central Florida News 13
- Orlando Sentinel
- LA Times
- Government Executive
- BBC
- Homeland 1
- Federal Computer Weekly
- Firehouse Magazine
- Emergency Management Magazine
- Homeland Security Today
- ReliefWeb
- Big Medicine
- IRIN
- Homeland Security Today
- Washington Post
- NY Times
- Yahoo News
- Big Medicine
- Emergency Management Daily
- PreventionWeb

Distribution Contributions

The EM Weekly Report is also distributed through numerous social media platforms. Below is a comprehensive list and I would like to thank the page/group administrators for allowing me to post the link to the weekly report. These sites are:

Facebook Groups/Pages

- Emergency Managers
- National Tribal Emergency Management Council
- Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council
- NEMRC- National Emergency Management Resource Center
- Pearce Global Partners
- Emergency Management issues

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- FEMA Only
- EMPOWER
- Emergency Management Higher Education Community
- California Disasters
- EM Professionals concerned with PTSD impact
- Ready, set...

Linkedin Groups

- All Hands Community Network
- California Emergency Services Association
- Emergency Management and Homeland Security Professionals
- Emergency Management Professionals
- FEMA Only
- International Association of Emergency Managers
- Journal of Business Continuity and Emergency Planning
- National Emergency Management Resource Center [NEMRC]
- Natural Hazard Mitigation Association
- Social Media Crisis Communications
- SMEM Social Media Emergency Management
- Comprehensive Emergency Management Research Network
- Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) - US Membership
- Disaster & Emergency Management
- Emergency Management Professionals Workgroup
- Recovery Co-Op
- Emergency Management in Florida
- IAEM-MA
- Pandemics, Bioterrorism and International Security
- Emergency Managers Global Forum
- Hardened Structures of America, LLC
- Emergency Preparedness Consultants / Trainers Group
- Medical Reserve Corps
- EOC

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Executive Summary

This section of the EM Weekly Report will contain news articles, reports and resources that are of particular interest to emergency management professionals:

FEMA: A coordinated effort to rebuild a stronger New York

<http://www.newsday.com/opinion/oped/fema-a-coordinated-effort-to-rebuild-a-stronger-new-york-1.5148518>

NYC to add 640K people to evacuation zones

<http://news.yahoo.com/nyc-add-640k-people-evacuation-zones-183908118.html>

Is Social Media Sabotaging Real Communication?

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/susantardanico/2012/04/30/is-social-media-sabotaging-real-communication/>

Debris haulers' windfall: Odd math jacks up Sandy tab (New Jersey)

http://www.northjersey.com/news/state/Sandy_debris_haulers_windfall_.html

Tornado sirens giving way to new warning technology

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/weather/2013/04/22/new-tornado-warning-technology/2103287/>

Disaster Survivor Assistance Team Pilot Deployments

<https://www.fema.gov/about-fema/employee-news-and-announcements/disaster-survivor-assistance-team-pilot-deployments>

FEMA's Louisiana Recovery Office has a new director

<http://www.shreveporttimes.com/article/20130510/NEWS01/130510022/FEMA-s-Louisiana-Recovery-Office-has-new-director>

How New Jersey Transit Failed Sandy's Test

http://www.wnyc.org/blogs/transportation-nation/2013/may/13/nitransit-sandy/?qoback=%2Egde_4846522_member_240506789

Lessons Learned About the Social Toll of Major Disasters

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Lessons-Learned-About-Social-Toll-Major-Disasters.html>

Long-Term Recovery Planning: What You Need to Know

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Developing-Long-Term-Recovery-Plan.html>

Does Every City Need A Chief Resilience Officer?

<http://www.theatlanticcities.com/politics/2013/05/does-every-city-need-chief-resilience-officer/5576/>

PARACHUTING CANISTER DETECTS CHEMICAL WEAPONS

<http://www.popsci.com/technology/article/2013-03/heres-chemical-weapon-sensor-built-cell-phone-innovation>

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Insider Threat: Soldier Receives 16-Year Sentence for Attempted Espionage
<http://www.fbi.gov/news/stories/2013/april/soldier-receives-16-year-sentence-for-attempted-espionage/soldier-receives-16-year-sentence-for-attempted-espionage>

Authorities: Mississippi man charged with possession, use of ricin as a weapon
http://www.cnn.com/2013/04/27/justice/ricin-investigation/index.html?hpt=hp_t1

Man Slain After Firing on Ohio Police Carried Extremist Books
<http://www.splcenter.org/blog/2013/05/09/man-slain-after-firing-on-ohio-police-carried-extremist-books/>

The Coast Guard in Colorado?
<http://coastguard.dodlive.mil/2013/05/the-coast-guard-in-colorado/>

Power companies present cybersecurity gaps
<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/05/10/cyber-security-cyber-war-alexander/2150611/>

Passport, pressure cooker problematic for traveler (Michigan)
<http://security.blogs.cnn.com/2013/05/13/passport-pressure-cooker-problematic-for-traveler/>

At least 3 US soldiers killed by Afghanistan bomb
<http://worldnews.nbcnews.com/news/2013/05/14/18251484-at-least-3-us-soldiers-killed-by-afghanistan-bomb?lite>

EXCLUSIVE: 'Home-Grown,' Spectacular Jihad Growing Problem, Authorities Say
<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/exclusive-home-grown-spectacular-jihad-growing-problem-authorities-say/dc459c18b9b78f0962126c3b0034281f.html>

Task Force Decision on the Future of Sandy Hook School (Connecticut)
http://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/national-international/Task-Force-to-Meet-on-Future-of-Sandy-Hook-School-206910011.html?_osource=SocialFlowFB_SDBrand

Va. Tech president retires, reflects on massacre
<http://www.chron.com/news/crime/article/Va-Tech-president-retires-criticized-in-massacre-4515005.php>

Storm Plans for Disabled Are Inadequate, U.S. Says (New York)
http://www.nytimes.com/2013/05/11/nyregion/storm-plans-for-disabled-inadequate-us-says.html?_r=0

Deaf EMT 'better than some hearing staff' with Bethlehem ambulance company (Pennsylvania)
http://www.lehighvalleylive.com/bethlehem/index.ssf/2013/05/bethlehem_ambulance_company_pl.html

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Flooding Rivers: How to Go With the Flow

http://news.discovery.com/earth/weather-extreme-events/idea-seeks-to-make-floods-a-good-thing-130503.htm?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews#mkcpgn=rssnws1

Making storm warnings a more exact science

http://phys.org/news/2013-05-storm-exact-science.html?goback=%2Egde_3991439_member_237546058

Sea Floor Earthquake Zones Can Act Like a 'Magnifying Lens' Strengthening Tsunamis Beyond What Was Through Possible

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2013/03/130307124800.htm?goback=%2Egde_3991439_member_237549594

Up to 375 flood gauges to turn off because of fund cuts

http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/04/25/flood-gauges-sequester/2113141/?goback=%2Egde_1988319_member_235938077

Even with reams of data, flood-predicting is tough

<http://news.yahoo.com/even-reams-data-flood-predicting-tough-154335813.html>

Tornado activity hits 60-year low

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/weather/2013/05/09/quiet-tornado-season/2148075/>

Legacy of Severe Drought

http://blogs.discovermagazine.com/imageo/?p=1879&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

The Next Pandemic: Not if, but When

<http://www.nytimes.com/2013/05/10/opinion/the-next-pandemic-is-closer-than-you-think.html?smid=fb-share>

Wildfires That Leave Soils Cool

http://news.discovery.com/earth/weather-extreme-events/wildfires-that-leave-soils-cool-130510.htm?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews#mkcpgn=rssnws1

Utilities stubbornly bill homeowners even though Sandy destroyed homes

http://now.msn.com/hurricane-sandy-utility-bills-sent-to-homeowners-who-lost-houses?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Scientists Develop New Way to Classify Hurricanes

http://www.wunderground.com/news/scientists-develop-new-classify-hurricane-20130508?cm_ven=fb

Scientist Superheroes; the US Government's Crisis Science Team

http://science.kqed.org/quest/2013/05/13/scientist-superheroes-the-us-governments-crisis-science-team/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=scientist-superheroes-the-us-governments-crisis-science-team&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

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Budget cuts pare real-time monitoring of volcanoes (Alaska)
http://www.staradvertiser.com/news/breaking/20130513_Alaskan_volcano_shows_signs_of_impending_eruption.html?id=207310221

Alaska volcano spews ash 20,000 feet
http://www.cnn.com/2013/05/15/us/alaska-volcanoes/index.html?hpt=hp_t2

NW Wisconsin wildfire consumes 8,700 acres
<http://news.yahoo.com/nw-wisconsin-wildfire-consumes-8-700-acres-125819027.html>

Officials: 6 dead, dozens injured in Texas storm
http://www.cnn.com/2013/05/15/us/texas-storm/index.html?hpt=hp_t2

National Weather Service gets big computing boost
<http://news.yahoo.com/national-weather-gets-big-computing-boost-000258396.html>

Connected and Secure: Washington DC Metro PD Mobile Data: A Case Study
<http://www.9-1-1magazine.com/Louie-Smith-Micro-WA-MPD>

Disney 911 sends help in 45 seconds or less (Florida)
<http://www.clickorlando.com/news/Disney-911-sends-help-in-45-seconds-or-less/-/1637132/15590842/-/xmdqj0z/-/index.html>

No Mulligans Here: 9-1-1, the Media, and Public Judgment
<http://www.9-1-1magazine.com/Furey-No-Mulligans-Here>

Spreading Knowledge about the Use of Tourniquets: The Fire Service's Role
<http://www.firefighternation.com/article/special-operations/spreading-knowledge-about-use-tourniquets-fire-service-s-role>

Video: NY firefighters play dodgeball, learn how to conserve air
<http://www.firerescue1.com/vftraining/articles/1441907-Video-NY-firefighters-play-dodgeball-learn-how-to-conserve-air/>

Mount Weather Fire Department Provides Timely Firefighting Assistance (Virginia)
<https://www.fema.gov/about-fema/employee-news-and-announcements/mount-weather-fire-department-provides-timely>

Pa. Fire Chief Struck, Killed Directing Traffic on Interstate
<http://www.firehouse.com/news/10929692/pa-fire-chief-struck-killed-directing-traffic-on-interstate>

Two Indian Country Police Officers Remembered at Memorial Service
<https://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2013/05/04/two-indian-country-police-officers-remembered-memorial-service-149202>

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Pittsburgh Facility Prepares First Responders for Disaster Situations (Pennsylvania)
<http://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2013/05/09/pittsburgh-facility-prepares-first-responders-for-disaster-situations/>

FDNY Legend Jim Ellson Sr. Passes Away (New York)
<http://www.fireengineering.com/articles/2013/05/fdny-legend-jim-ellson-sr--passes-away.html>

Feds: 500 fewer firefighters to face West's heightened risk this summer
<http://usnews.nbcnews.com/news/2013/05/13/18235529-feds-500-fewer-firefighters-to-face-wests-heightened-risk-this-summer?lite>

EMT Students Dodge Paintballs During Rescue Training (Texas)
<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/training/EMT-Students-Rescue-Training.html>

Inside Look: FDNY Rescue Paramedics
<http://www.nyc.gov/html/fdny/html/events/2013/051313a.shtml>

FBI Info-Sharing Portal to Consolidate Resources for Active Shooter Response
<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/fbi-info-sharing-portal-to-consolidate-resources-for-active-shooter-response/11ce102ceb5b54ca0fd8418ebd0d28d3.html>

Plaque Dedicated for EMS Deputy Assistant Chief John McFarland (New York)
<http://www.nyc.gov/html/fdny/html/events/2013/051513a.shtml>

World Trade Center tower reaches new heights in NYC
http://www.wptv.com/dpp/news/region_c_palm_beach_county/world-trade-center-tower-reaches-new-heights-in-nyc

Court rejects demand to evacuate children from city in Fukushima (Japan)
http://www.japantoday.com/category/national/view/court-rejects-demand-to-evacuate-children-from-city-in-fukushima?goback=%2Egde_3991439_member_235959072

Hurricane Sandy: Hackers, a satellite dish and an IKEA canteen
<http://www.unocha.org/top-stories/all-stories/hurricane-sandy-hackers-satellite-dish-and-ikea-canteen>

In Cuba, much work remains 6 months after Sandy
<http://news.yahoo.com/cuba-much-remains-6-months-123206077.html>

Tearing down the technological 'Tower of Babel' along international borders
<http://phys.org/news/2013-03-technological-tower-babel-international-borders.html>

SARS: Ten years on is Toronto prepared for another outbreak? (Canada)
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/magazine-22271263>

On Ferrari patrol with the Dubai police
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-22323870>

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Surviving a quake in the capital (China)

<http://www.globaltimes.cn/content/779878.shtml#.UYst1EqnxH0>

Red Cross, Red Crescent Societies Celebrate 150 Years

<http://www.redcross.org/news/article/Red-Cross-Red-Crescent-Societies-Celebrate-150-Years>

Carlos the Jackal: Ex-enigma now mired in court

<http://news.yahoo.com/carlos-jackal-ex-enigma-now-mired-court-131108169.html>

Taiwan runs short of volunteers in military shift

<http://news.yahoo.com/taiwan-runs-short-volunteers-military-shift-023154016.html>

Nigeria president declares state of emergency

<http://news.yahoo.com/nigeria-president-declares-state-emergency-182549903.html>

The new Emergency Response Centre: Ready to respond when disaster strikes (European Union)

http://ec.europa.eu/echo/news/2013/20130515b_en.htm

MSF, compassion fatigue and band aid for a broken leg

<http://www.trust.org/item/20130514122841-8lny3/?source=hptop>

Caught on camera: Tornado in Northern Italy- Video

http://video.msnbc.msn.com/msnbc/51775272?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews#51765838

Chinese scientists slammed for creating mutant influenza virus in laboratory

http://www.foxnews.com/health/2013/05/03/chinese-scientists-slammed-for-creating-mutant-influenza-virus-in-laboratory/?intcmp=HPBucket?test=latestnews&goback=%2Egde_3991439_member_237964445

How Many People Have Really Been Killed by Chernobyl?

http://www.slate.com/articles/health_and_science/explainer/2013/04/chernobyl_death_to_ll_how_many_cancer_cases_are_caused_by_low_level_radiation.html?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Haiti cholera victims threaten to sue the UN

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-latin-america-22458006>

Dhaka building collapse: 'Woman found alive' in rubble (Bangladesh)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-22477414>

Big retailers back safety accord in Bangladesh

<http://news.yahoo.com/big-retailers-back-safety-accord-bangladesh-183825209.html>

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Sichuan 2008: A disaster on an immense scale (China)
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-22398684>

UK budget airline to test ash cloud detector
<http://phys.org/news/2013-05-uk-airline-ash-cloud-detector.html>

Mexico raises alert level for Popocatepetl volcano
<http://www.trust.org/item/20130512151615-y19lj/?source=hptop>

Saudi Arabia reports 4 new cases of dangerous virus
http://www.cnn.com/2013/05/14/health/saudi-arabia-virus/index.html?hpt=hp_t2

India and China withdraw troops from Himalayan face off
<http://news.yahoo.com/india-china-withdraw-troops-himalayan-face-off-185315719.html>

After decades as 'world's most dangerous' place, has Somalia turned the corner?
<http://worldnews.nbcnews.com/news/2013/05/11/18144309-after-decades-as-worlds-most-dangerous-place-has-somalia-turned-the-corner?lite>

Rafsanjani's last-minute entry transforms Iranian race
<http://news.yahoo.com/iran-political-big-hitters-run-president-070652616.html>

Friendly with the Dalai Lama? Good luck talking with Beijing
<http://news.yahoo.com/friendly-dalai-lama-good-luck-talking-beijing-144900352.html>

EU pledging \$675 million to Mali, as it attempts to rebuild a functional state
http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/africa/mali-attempting-to-rebuild-a-functional-state-asks-international-community-for-26-billion/2013/05/14/0b7f8720-bcaa-11e2-b537-ab47f0325f7c_story.html

Bladeless windmills: A new source of wind energy?
<http://www.smartplanet.com/blog/bulletin/bladeless-windmills-a-new-source-of-wind-energy/16598>

World's first wind-current power system to be installed off Japanese coast
http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-205_162-57584292/worlds-first-wind-current-power-system-to-be-installed-off-japanese-coast/

All Eyes on Eastport: Tidal Energy Project Brings Change, Opportunity to Local Community
<http://energy.gov/articles/all-eyes-eastport-tidal-energy-project-brings-change-opportunity-local-community>

New York City Hurricane Sandy After-Action: Report and Recommendations to Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg
http://www.nyc.gov/html/recovery/downloads/pdf/sandy_aar_5.2.13.pdf

Evidence and Knowledge in Humanitarian Action
<http://reliefweb.int/report/world/evidence-and-knowledge-humanitarian-action>

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Forecast for the Future: Assuring the Capacity of the National Weather Service
<http://www.napawash.org/publications/forecast-for-the-future-assuring-the-capacity-of-the-national-weather-service/>

Continuity 101 Presentation by Angela Devlen
<http://www.calhospitalprepare.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/continuity101.pdf>

Emergency Management Assistance Compact planning in support of Mississippi's ESF #8- Health and Medical Webinar Recording
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3qqi7djs73A>

National Domestic Preparedness Coalition, May Monthly Brief
<http://ndpci.us/upload/iblock/d4e/May%202013%20News%20Brief.pdf>

Emergency Management Nexus Google+ Page
<https://plus.google.com/u/0/113672155775106500573/posts#113672155775106500573/posts>

Conducting a workplace violence risk assessment: six common pitfalls
<http://blog.firstreference.com/2012/05/18/conducting-a-workplace-violence-risk-assessment-six-common-pitfalls/#axzz2SRdhM4CE>

FEMAs Higher Ed Conference: Cancelled?
<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/emergency-blogs/campus/FEMA-HigherEd-Conference-Cancelled-042713.html>

Violence against firefighters: A checklist for survival
<http://www.firerescue1.com/fire-department-management/articles/1434161-Violence-against-firefighters-A-checklist-for-survival/>

Resources Available for Local and State Public Health Officials: Preparing for and Responding to Bombing Events
<http://emergency.cdc.gov/HAN/han00346.asp>

The Lion Speaks Blog, Coordination Complexity & the National Mass Care Exercise
<http://blog.thelionofbabylon.com/2013/05/coordination-complexity-national-mass.html?sref=fb>

FEMA 2012 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE INNOVATION CHALLENGE RECIPIENTS
http://www.resiliencechallenge.org/?qoback=%2Egde_133264_member_239682633

Social Media 4 Emergency Management, Stress Isn't Virtual
<http://www.sm4em.org/2013/05/stress-isnt-virtual/>

San Francisco, CA DEM Blog, Practice Makes Resilience
<http://em4sf.wordpress.com/2013/05/13/practice-makes-resilience/>

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Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency May 2013 Newsletter
<http://www.mass.gov/eopss/docs/mema/mema-reports/mema-reports-12-5.pdf>

Brooklyn Center for Independence of the Disabled against the City of New York Civil Case

Statement of Interest
<http://www.drlegal.org/sites/drlegal.org/files/pressreleases/dojstmtinterest.pdf>

Opinion and Order
http://www.drlegal.org/sites/drlegal.org/files/casefiles/order_2.pdf

Spotlight - Da Vinci Award Winners

Significant and noteworthy service or product contribution, this medal is awarded to a Patron or contributor who has added significant value in support of Humanity Road programs. Through donations in kind or contributions they have helped mold shape and support the organization. Award recipients of the Da Vinci Medal are chosen by the Humanity Road Board of Directors. Because of a unique and innovative joint response, this year, for the first time, the Da Vinci Award is being presented to two organizations for their joint response in support of Humanity Road for Super Storm Sandy. We are very pleased to announce both Disaster Tech Lab and ITDRC – as recipients of the 2013 Humanity Road Da Vinci Award.

<http://www.humanityroad.org/hr-talk/2013-da-vinci-award>

The Three Little Sheep- Video (New Mexico)

This animation is part of a larger ad campaign we created for the McKinley County Office of Emergency Management. The client needed to get the word out about how families in the Four Corners area should make a disaster plan for things like fire, severe weather, and mud slides. We came up with the concept of using the three little pigs, except Southwest style-- sheep! And instead of a big bad wolf, an evil sheep dog who is threatening them with an electric shears. The dog becomes more desperate as the sheep thwart his plans by running into their various houses: the Native Shade House (house of straw), a mobile home (house of sticks), and the Navajo Hogan (house of brick).

<http://vimeo.com/53459892>

Facebook Pages

Several new pages have been added as “Likes” on the EM Weekly Report’s Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Emergency-Managers-Weekly-Report/110533579036082>). They include:

- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Emergency Management (North Carolina)
- Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management Agency (Georgia)
- International Association of Coroners and Medical Examiners
- Va. Association of Hazardous Materials Response Specialists
- Royal Navy (United Kingdom)

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- Reedy Creek Fire and Rescue Department Emergency Medical Services (Florida)
- CAL FIRE (California)
- Talbot County Emergency Services (Maryland)
- Boston College Emergency Management (Massachusetts)
- Rollins College Campus Safety (Florida)
- Santa Fe County Fire Department (New Mexico)
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM)
- Town of Amherst Emergency Services (New York)
- U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps
- Calhoun County Volunteer Hazmat Team (Alabama)
- Huntsville Fire Department (Alabama)

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U.S. News Reports

Emergency Management

FEMA: A coordinated effort to rebuild a stronger New York

<http://www.newsday.com/opinion/oped/fema-a-coordinated-effort-to-rebuild-a-stronger-new-york-1.5148518>

On the Six-Month Anniversary of Superstorm Sandy the Red Cross Continues to Serve

<http://www.redcross.org/news/article/On-the-Six-Month-Anniversary-of-Superstorm-Sandy-The-Red-Cross-Continues-to-Serve>

NYC to add 640K people to evacuation zones

<http://news.yahoo.com/nyc-add-640k-people-evacuation-zones-183908118.html>

Is Social Media Sabotaging Real Communication?

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/susantardanico/2012/04/30/is-social-media-sabotaging-real-communication/>

CDP Updates its Technical Emergency Response Training

<http://www.firehouse.com/article/10933059/cdp-updates-its-technical-emergency-response-training>

This Box Keeps Information Flowing During a Crisis

http://www.technologyreview.com/news/514431/this-box-keeps-information-flowing-during-a-crisis/?ref=rss&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Miami-Dade expands hurricane evacuation zones (Florida)

http://www.miamiherald.com/2013/05/03/3379103_p2_miami-dade-expands-huurricane-evacuation.html?goback=%2Egde_95355_member_238009458

Penn. Commonwealth Healthcare Systems Better Prepared for Mass Casualty Response

<https://www.fema.gov/about-fema/employee-news-and-announcements/penn-commonwealth-healthcare-systems-better-prepared-mass>

Preparing for a Disaster: Keeping Communications Alive

<http://www.technewsworld.com/story/77833.html>

Worcester among Best-Prepared Cities in MA for Emergencies (Massachusetts)

<http://www.golocalworcester.com/news/worcester-among-best-prepared-cities-in-ma-for-emergencies/>

Hurricane Sandy Rebuilding Task Force

<http://www.army.mil/article/101838/>

Debris haulers' windfall: Odd math jacks up Sandy tab (New Jersey)

http://www.northjersey.com/news/state/Sandy_debris_haulers_windfall_.html

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Tornado sirens giving way to new warning technology

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/weather/2013/04/22/new-tornado-warning-technology/2103287/>

Jackson engineering firm tackles emergency management

<http://msbusiness.com/blog/2013/05/03/jackson-engineering-firm-tackles-emergency-management/>

ORR Welcomes New Associate Administrator

<https://www.fema.gov/about-fema/employee-news-and-announcements/orr-welcomes-new-associate-administrator>

Disaster Survivor Assistance Team Pilot Deployments

<https://www.fema.gov/about-fema/employee-news-and-announcements/disaster-survivor-assistance-team-pilot-deployments>

FEMA's Louisiana Recovery Office has a new director

<http://www.shreveporttimes.com/article/20130510/NEWS01/130510022/FEMA-s-Louisiana-Recovery-Office-has-new-director>

Duval County has implemented a telephone emergency notification system (Florida)

<http://www.firstcoastnews.com/rss/article/311281/3/Duval-County-helping-residents-prepare-for-an-evacuation-and-stay-informed>

Emergency Management Wins Top Award for School Safety Program (Washington)

http://puyallup.patch.com/articles/emergency-management-wins-top-award-for-school-safety-program?goback=%2Egde_3915379_member_239601122

Rebuilding After Sandy, but With Costly New Rules

http://www.nytimes.com/2013/05/11/your-money/after-hurricane-sandy-rebuilding-under-higher-flood-insurance.html?pagewanted=all&r=1&goback=%2Egde_1988319_member_240060507&

Response to Sandy Demonstrates the Value of Training, Resiliency and Collaboration

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Response-to-Sandy-Demonstrates-Ridge-050913.html>

Volunteer Florida has an exciting announcement to make regarding a leadership transition in our Emergency Management & Volunteer Services Department

<http://us5.campaign-archive2.com/?u=5a2850cff35621a4148bf18af&id=4d37c1fbe3>

FEMA Seeks Identity Verification Services for Disaster Assistance Applicants

<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/fema-seeks-identity-verification-services-for-disaster-assistance-applicants/9cc38a4fc5cb04dcd08740f9d2d50060.html>

Technology Development & the Power of Human Factors in Emergency Notification Systems

<http://www.9-1-1magazine.com/Patnaude-FedSignal-Tech-Dev-Human-Factors>

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Providence Leads Nation in Emergency Management Planning (Rhode Island)
<http://www.golocalprov.com/news/providence-leads-the-nation-in-emergency-management-planning/>

How New Jersey Transit Failed Sandy's Test
http://www.wnyc.org/blogs/transportation-nation/2013/may/13/nitransit-sandy/?qoback=%2Egde_4846522_member_240506789

Lori Peek Receives President's Award from the Natural Hazards Mitigation Association
<http://central.colostate.edu/news/lori-peek-receives-presidents-award-from-the-natural-hazards-mitigation-association/>

FEMA Announces Community Resilience Innovation Challenge Recipients
<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/FEMA-Community-Resilience-Innovation-Challenge-Recipients.html>

Interior Announces \$475 Million in Hurricane Sandy Relief
<http://www.doi.gov/news/pressreleases/interior-announces-475-million-in-hurricane-sandy-relief.cfm>

Demolition to begin on NJ coaster wrecked by Sandy
<http://news.yahoo.com/demolition-begin-nj-coaster-wrecked-153435019.html>

2013 Golden Guardian Drill Provides Cal EMA, Partner Agencies with Chance to Test Plan for Responding to Catastrophic Bay Area Quake
<http://calemanews.wordpress.com/2013/05/14/2013-golden-guardian-drill-provides-cal-ema-partner-agencies-with-chance-to-test-plan-for-responding-to-catastrophic-bay-area-quake/>

Lessons Learned About the Social Toll of Major Disasters
<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Lessons-Learned-About-Social-Toll-Major-Disasters.html>

Long-Term Recovery Planning: What You Need to Know
<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Developing-Long-Term-Recovery-Plan.html>

Does Every City Need A Chief Resilience Officer?
<http://www.theatlanticcities.com/politics/2013/05/does-every-city-need-chief-resilience-officer/5576/>

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Homeland Security, Defense and National Security

Don't Underestimate Cyber Spies

<http://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/139357/richard-bejtlich/dont-underestimate-cyber-spies>

Seven US troops killed in separate Afghan attacks

http://worldnews.nbcnews.com/news/2013/05/04/18053748-seven-us-troops-killed-in-separate-afghan-attacks?lite&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

The invisible women who hunt terrorists

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PARACHUTING CANISTER DETECTS CHEMICAL WEAPONS

<http://www.popsci.com/technology/article/2013-03/heres-chemical-weapon-sensor-built-cell-phone-innovation>

Insider Threat: Soldier Receives 16-Year Sentence for Attempted Espionage

<http://www.fbi.gov/news/stories/2013/april/soldier-receives-16-year-sentence-for-attempted-espionage/soldier-receives-16-year-sentence-for-attempted-espionage>

Authorities: Mississippi man charged with possession, use of ricin as a weapon

http://www.cnn.com/2013/04/27/justice/ricin-investigation/index.html?hpt=hp_t1

Army says no to more tanks, but Congress insists

<http://bigstory.ap.org/article/army-says-no-more-tanks-congress-insists>

Man Slain After Firing on Ohio Police Carried Extremist Books

<http://www.splcenter.org/blog/2013/05/09/man-slain-after-firing-on-ohio-police-carried-extremist-books/>

The Coast Guard in Colorado?

<http://coastguard.dodlive.mil/2013/05/the-coast-guard-in-colorado/>

Hackers stole \$45 million in ATM card breach

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/tech/2013/05/09/hackers-atm-branch/2148069/>

Senators clash over border security proposals in immigration bill

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Air Force Brochure Tells Sexual Assault Victims to 'Submit'

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NSA's secret Google tricks revealed in declassified guidebook

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East Coast 'Well Protected' Without Proposed Antimissile Site, Official Says
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US Marines pack up in Afghanistan as Taliban wages spring offensive
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Cyberattacks against U.S. Corporations Are on the Rise
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Power companies present cybersecurity gaps
<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/05/10/cyber-security-cyber-war-alexander/2150611/>

Passport, pressure cooker problematic for traveler (Michigan)
<http://security.blogs.cnn.com/2013/05/13/passport-pressure-cooker-problematic-for-traveler/>

At least 3 US soldiers killed by Afghanistan bomb
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Campus Safety and Security

Maryland Teen Kyle Druckemiller arrested for making pipe bombs

http://www.wusa9.com/news/article/257621/373/Maryland-Teen-Arrested-For-Making-Pipe-Bombs?goback=%2Egde_89832_member_238066296

Task Force Decision on the Future of Sandy Hook School (Connecticut)

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Some Pa. colleges allow students to carry guns

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/05/11/pennsylvania-college-students-guns/2152625/>

Wash. Districts Required to Develop Emergency Response System

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U. of Kentucky to spend \$5M to Ramp up Security

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Va. Tech president retires, reflects on massacre

<http://www.chron.com/news/crime/article/Va-Tech-president-retires-criticized-in-massacre-4515005.php>

Local Donations Help Ariz. School Upgrade Security

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Minneapolis District Builds Mobile Command Center (Minnesota)

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How to Prevent Bombings at Campus Events

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Access/Functional Needs

Off-road wheelchair offers freedom for disabled poor

<http://www.cnn.com/2013/05/09/tech/innovation/leveraged-freedom-chair-innovative-wheelchair/index.html?sr=fb050913wheelchairinnovation10p>

Storm Plans for Disabled Are Inadequate, U.S. Says (New York)

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Deaf EMT 'better than some hearing staff' with Bethlehem ambulance company (Pennsylvania)

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Hazard Research and News

Flooding Rivers: How to Go With the Flow

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Making storm warnings a more exact science

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Sea Floor Earthquake Zones Can Act Like a 'Magnifying Lens' Strengthening Tsunamis Beyond What Was Through Possible

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2013/03/130307124800.htm?goback=%2Egde_3991439_member_237549594

Chevron restarts crude oil unit at Richmond refinery damaged in August fire (California)

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Up to 375 flood gauges to turn off because of fund cuts

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Even with reams of data, flood-predicting is tough

<http://news.yahoo.com/even-reams-data-flood-predicting-tough-154335813.html>

Local weather spotters first line of defense

<http://www.columbian.com/news/2013/may/04/local-weather-spotters-first-line-of-defense/>

More Hurricanes for Hawaii?

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Tornado activity hits 60-year low

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/weather/2013/05/09/quiet-tornado-season/2148075/>

Legacy of Severe Drought

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Parish leaders fighting FEMA flood maps from sending rates skyrocketing (Louisiana)

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Wildfires That Leave Soils Cool

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Utilities stubbornly bill homeowners even though Sandy destroyed homes

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'Slow-motion disaster': California houses sinking into the ground

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Demolition underway on 81 bridge; 81 still closed (Pennsylvania)

<http://fox43.com/2013/05/10/demolition-underway-on-81-bridge-81-still-closed/#axzz2SsnXKRL7>

Scientists Develop New Way to Classify Hurricanes

http://www.wunderground.com/news/scientists-develop-new-classify-hurricane-20130508?cm_ven=fb

Descending Drought Puts Klamath Tribes and Farmers on Brink of Water War

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FEMA to Host Local Meetings on Reducing Fire Risk in Oakland-Berkeley Hills (California)

<http://rockridge.patch.com/articles/fema-to-host-local-meetings-on-reducing-fire-risk-in-oakland-berkeley-hills>

Satellites See Double Jeopardy for SoCal Fire Season

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Boxer seeks Sacramento levee funding in water bill (California)

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Alaska volcano spews ash 20,000 feet

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10 Things Cruise Lines Won't Tell You

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Research Helps Paint Finer Picture of Massive 1700 Earthquake

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Omaha experiences record high and low temperatures in less than 72 hours (Nebraska)

<http://news.yahoo.com/blogs/sideshow/omaha-experiences-record-low-high-temperatures-less-72-021618847.html>

NW Wisconsin wildfire consumes 8,700 acres

<http://news.yahoo.com/nw-wisconsin-wildfire-consumes-8-700-acres-125819027.html>

Officials: 6 dead, dozens injured in Texas storm

http://www.cnn.com/2013/05/15/us/texas-storm/index.html?hpt=hp_t2

National Weather Service gets big computing boost

<http://news.yahoo.com/national-weather-gets-big-computing-boost-000258396.html>

May 2, 2013

Union Warns of High Risk from Weather Service Furloughs

By Kerry Young, CQ Roll Call

The union for federal weather forecasters is charging that furloughs as a result of sequester are causing a public danger.

The National Weather Service Employees Organization says four days of furloughs contemplated by the agency will impair the NWS's ability to gather and send out information on storms and tornadoes, putting the public at greater risk of injury and property damage.

The union's criticism comes as many groups, including advocates for social programs and medical research, are warning of the painful impact of the automatic spending cuts from sequestration. The outcry has grown since Congress last week acted to halt furloughs of air traffic controllers at the Federal Aviation Administration.

Dan Sobien, president of the National Weather Service Employees Organization, said reduced staffing for weather forecasters may have a far-reaching impact.

"Furloughs to the National Weather Service, in conjunction with furloughs to other agencies the nation depends on for emergency services, is like playing 'chicken' with the American public," said Sobien. "One missed event would realistically, cost millions."

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The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is considering requiring four days of unpaid leave from most of its 12,000 employees but has not reached a final decision on these furloughs.

The agency is planning to ask the House and Senate Appropriations committees for permission to shift money within accounts, a step known as reprogramming, an agency spokeswoman said. This reprogramming might prevent the need to demand more than four furlough days from employees in fiscal 2013, which ends in September.

Congress so far appears willing to help agencies manage through the sequester through reprogramming.

The Justice Department last month said it would not need to furlough employees after getting permission to move funds. The Defense Department also is planning to seek permission from Congress to reprogram money. The Pentagon has not yet announced a final decision on how many days of furlough it will need to demand of its civilian workers due to the sequester.

Like the Justice and Defense departments, the National Weather Service seems well positioned to get permission to shift funds, enjoying strong support in Congress.

Frank Wolf, R- Va., chairman of the House Commerce-Justice-Science Appropriations subcommittee, has urged NOAA's parent agency, the Commerce Department, to ask for permission to reprogram money to maintain the quality of weather forecasts. In an April 12 letter, he told the department a request would be considered on an expedited basis. "As we approach summer severe storm season, I urge you to ensure that the NWS has the funding necessary to adequately forecast the weather," Wolf wrote.

Even before the sequester started on March 1, NOAA was predicting a decline in the weather service staff. The workforce of its local warnings and forecast unit was expected to drop to around 4,234 people in fiscal 2013 from 4,368 in fiscal 2011, according to a NOAA budget document. The union says the total NWS workforce has dropped to 4,649 employees, from 4,940 in October 2010.

This staffing reduction, combined with a new hiring freeze, has left many offices "already stretched thin" even without furloughs, Sobien said.

"The very people we count on to be alert for watches and warnings are working overtime and changing from day shift to night shift and back in the same week," Sobien said. "Unfortunately, it will only take one bad storm to show that NOAA is dangerously cutting corners in the wrong places."

The union has suggested that NOAA hold off on awarding grants to prevent the furloughs. NOAA would be able to cancel furloughs in the event of an emergency, and call some workers back to duty, a spokeswoman said.

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Earthquake Spectra

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<http://earthquakespectra.org/>

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Brooklyn Center for Independence of the Disabled against the City of New York Civil Case

Statement of Interest

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Spotlight - Da Vinci Award Winners

Significant and noteworthy service or product contribution, this medal is awarded to a Patron or contributor who has added significant value in support of Humanity Road programs. Through donations in kind or contributions they have helped mold shape and support the organization. Award recipients of the Da Vinci Medal are chosen by the Humanity Road Board of Directors. Because of a unique and innovative joint response, this year, for the first time, the Da Vinci Award is being presented to two organizations for their joint response in support of Humanity Road for Super Storm Sandy. We are very pleased to announce both Disaster Tech Lab and ITDRC – as recipients of the 2013 Humanity Road Da Vinci Award.

<http://www.humanityroad.org/hr-talk/2013-da-vinci-award>

The Three Little Sheep- Video (New Mexico)

This animation is part of a larger ad campaign we created for the McKinley County Office of Emergency Management. The client needed to get the word out about how families in the Four Corners area should make a disaster plan for things like fire, severe weather, and mud slides. We came up with the concept of using the three little pigs, except Southwest style-- sheep! And instead of a big bad wolf, an evil sheep dog who is threatening them with an electric shears. The dog becomes more desperate as the sheep thwart his plans by running into their various houses: the Native Shade House (house of straw), a mobile home (house of sticks), and the Navajo Hogan (house of brick).

<http://vimeo.com/53459892>

Facebook Pages

Several new pages have been added as “Likes” on the EM Weekly Report’s Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Emergency-Managers-Weekly-Report/110533579036082>). They include:

- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Emergency Management (North Carolina)
- Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management Agency (Georgia)
- International Association of Coroners and Medical Examiners
- Va. Association of Hazardous Materials Response Specialists
- Royal Navy (United Kingdom)
- Reedy Creek Fire and Rescue Department Emergency Medical Services (Florida)
- CAL FIRE (California)

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- Talbot County Emergency Services (Maryland)
- Boston College Emergency Management (Massachusetts)
- Rollins College Campus Safety (Florida)
- Santa Fe County Fire Department (New Mexico)
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM)
- Town of Amherst Emergency Services (New York)
- U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps
- Calhoun County Volunteer Hazmat Team (Alabama)
- Huntsville Fire Department (Alabama)