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Emergency Manager's Weekly Report 6-29-12

(The articles, reports and additional information contained in this edition were collected from 6-22 to 6-29)

“And now, let us pray, differently, yet together, before there is no Earth, no life, No chance for peace.”

Mattie J.T. Stepanek



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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 Report has been more involved in the social media environment where there are dedicated EM Weekly Report platforms on Facebook and LinkedIn. These accounts are accessible at:

- Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Emergency-Managers-Weekly-Report/110533579036082>
- LinkedIn: http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Emergency-Managers-Weekly-Report-3833131?mostPopular=&gid=3833131&qback=%2Eqmp_3833131%2Eqde_3833131_member_47547619

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

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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 Kostiuk
- 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

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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:

Tropical Storm Debby disrupts Gulf oil, gas production

<http://www.usatoday.com/weather/storms/story/2012-06-23/tropical-storm-debby/55783248/1>

Debby a wake-up call as emergency managers ask: 'What if?'

<http://www2.tbo.com/weather/breaking-news/2012/jun/27/4/namaino1-a-wake-up-call-ar-420862/>

4 dead, 1 missing as sodden Florida bids Debby good-bye

http://www.cnn.com/2012/06/27/us/tropical-weather/index.html?hpt=hp_bn1

She shoots wildfire photos amid the flames

http://www.cnn.com/2012/06/22/us/wildfire-photographer-greer-profile/index.html?hpt=hp_c3

Colorado wildfires: C-130s called in to help

<http://news.yahoo.com/blogs/lookout/colorado-wildfires-raging-133150706.html>

Wildfires leave Colorado tourism high and dry

<http://dailynightly.msnbc.msn.com/news/2012/06/25/12399638-wildfires-leave-colorado-tourism-high-and-dry?lite>

Dynamic Maps Track Colorado Wildfires

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Dynamic-Maps-Track-Colorado-Wildfires-EM.html>

Colorado blaze devours houses, chars land on Air Force Academy

<http://www.foxnews.com/us/2012/06/27/ferocious-fire-devours-homes-in-colorado-springs/?intcmp=related>

Public Complacency toward Emergency Preparedness is Still a Problem, Survey Finds

<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/public-complacency-toward-emergency-preparedness-is-still-a-problem-survey-finds/8f8a61283e68aa0ee22a1ecf06333b6a.html>

Cellphone Signals Can Find People Scattered by Disaster

<http://www.popularmechanics.com/science/environment/natural-disasters/cellphone-signals-can-find-people-scattered-by-disaster-9842813>

City of Galveston makes changes in emergency preparedness for hurricane season (Texas)

<http://abclocal.go.com/ktrk/story?section=news/local&id=8711401&rss=rss-ktrk-article-8711401>

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Guard's WMD Civil Support Teams Can Respond Faster Than Other Federal Assets
<http://www.hstoday.us/briefings/correspondents-watch/single-article/guards-wmd-civil-support-teams-can-respond-faster-than-other-federal-assets/af2160975c8dc3d4ab7f17f0942bdcdc.html>

Terror drill in Philadelphia all-too-real (Pennsylvania)
http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-505263_162-57460369/terror-drill-in-philadelphia-all-too-real/?tag=mncol;lst;2

Unlike Daley, Mayor Emanuel behind the scenes when heat soars (Illinois)
<http://www.suntimes.com/13427739-418/unlike-daley-mayor-emanuel-behind-the-scenes-when-heat-soars.html>

Hate Group Leader to Serve as California State Judge
<http://www.splcenter.org/blog/2012/06/20/hate-group-leader-to-serve-as-california-state-judge/>

Georgia Bill Attacks 'Paper Terrorism' as FBI Takes Aim at 'Sovereigns'
<http://www.splcenter.org/get-informed/intelligence-report/browse-all-issues/2012/summer/georgia-bill-attacks-paper-terrorism->

'Patriot' Groups See Defense Act as Prelude to Dictatorship
<http://www.splcenter.org/get-informed/intelligence-report/browse-all-issues/2012/summer/-patriot-groups-see-defense-act-as-pr>

Intel chief rolls out new measures aimed at plugging leaks
http://security.blogs.cnn.com/2012/06/25/first-on-cnn-intell-chief-rolls-out-new-measures-aimed-at-plugging-leaks/?hpt=hp_bn2

LulzSec hackers admit plotting attacks on CIA, firms
http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/47950744/ns/technology_and_science-security/

The truth about the Fast and Furious scandal
http://features.blogs.fortune.cnn.com/2012/06/27/fast-and-furious-truth/?hpt=hp_t2

NJ airport fire having ripple effect on US flights
<http://news.yahoo.com/nj-airport-fire-having-ripple-effect-us-flights-231552294--finance.html>

Rick Knabb, Ph.D., selected to lead NOAA's National Hurricane Center
http://www.noaanews.noaa.gov/stories2012/20120518_Rick_Knabb.html

BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill exacerbated existing environmental problems in Louisiana marshes
<http://phys.org/news/2012-06-bp-deepwater-horizon-oil-exacerbated.html>

Security lapses found at CDC bioterror lab in Atlanta
<http://www.usatoday.com/news/nation/story/2012-06-27/cdc-lab-security/55870990/1>

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New app helps county react quicker to complaints (Florida)

<http://www.wftv.com/news/news/local/smartphone-app-helps-county-react-quicker-complain/nPcfQ/>

Microsoft and Yammer: What It Could Mean for Government

<http://www.govtech.com/policy-management/Microsoft-and-Yammer-What-It-Could-Mean-for-Government.html>

Serve & Protect helps first responders deal with pressures of job

<http://www.tennessean.com/article/20120627/WILLIAMSON01/306270010/Serve-Protect-helps-first-responders-deal-pressures-job>

Stockton, California, to File for Bankruptcy, City Says

<http://finance.yahoo.com/news/stockton-california-file-bankruptcy-city-070500463.html>

Rio+20 Summit Sustains Little More than Sentiment

<http://www.npr.org/2012/06/23/155619036/rio-20-doesnt-get-further-than-vague-declaration>

14.9 million uprooted by natural disasters

<http://www.preventionweb.net/english/professional/news/v.php?id=27290&a=email>

Indian police arrest key suspect in 2008 Mumbai attack case

http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/asia_pacific/indian-police-arrest-key-suspect-in-mumbai-attack-case/2012/06/25/gJQAXrnG1V_story.html?hpid=z4

Eviction pits Haiti police against protestors

<http://news.yahoo.com/eviction-pits-haiti-police-against-protestors-211733315.html>

African Terrorist Groups Starting to Cooperate, U.S. Says

<http://www.businessweek.com/news/2012-06-25/african-terrorist-groups-starting-to-cooperate-u-dot-s-dot-says>

Asia: Twenty-one countries pledge to strengthen regional disaster early warning system

<http://www.preventionweb.net/english/professional/news/v.php?id=27334&a=email>

How Doctors Operate in Wartime

<http://news.discovery.com/tech/doctors-wartime-120627.html>

Asteroid experts plan privately funded Sentinel Space Telescope

http://cosmiclog.msnbc.msn.com/_news/2012/06/19/12303639-asteroid-experts-plan-privately-funded-sentinel-space-telescope?lite

Real rescue may seem slow but 'this isn't a Hollywood movie,' says expert (Canada)

http://ca.news.yahoo.com/real-rescue-may-seem-slow-isnt-hollywood-movie-235325560.html?utm_source=twitterfeed&utm_medium=twitter

Global H1N1 death toll may be 15 times higher than previously reported

<http://thechart.blogs.cnn.com/2012/06/25/global-h1n1-death-toll-may-be-15-times-higher-than-previously-reported/>

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Tepco ex-executives get golden parachute (Japan)
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-18550747>

Assailants attack Microsoft HQ in Athens (Greece)
<http://news.yahoo.com/assailants-attack-microsoft-hq-athens-063254313--finance.html>

In the Shadow of Fukushima: Facing the Fires of a Meltdown (Japan)
<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/in-the-shadow-of-fukushima-facing-the-fires-of-a-meltdown/242a4119dabc5511e28a97a206016ef6.html>

Muslim Brotherhood's Mursi declared Egypt president
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-18571580>

Germany offers vision of federalism for the European Union
http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/europe/germany-offers-vision-of-a-more-perfect-european-union/2012/06/27/qJQAILtk6V_story.html?hpid=z1

Report: US to get seas rising by 2030 (Update)
<http://phys.org/news/2012-06-higher-sea.html>

Three Tribes Join Working Group to Advance Clean Energy Development in Indian Country
<http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2012/06/22/three-tribes-join-working-group-to-advance-clean-energy-development-in-indian-country-119828>

State Emergency Response Team Geospatial Assessment Tool for Operations and Response- Public Site (Florida)
<http://map.floridadisaster.org/GATOR/map.html>

Bomb Threat? An App for that, too
<http://www.dhs.gov/files/programs/st-smartphone-app-bomb-threats.shtm>

Florida Evacuates.com Website
<http://floridaevacuates.com/>

IS-56 Hazardous Materials Contingency Planning
<https://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is56.asp>

OCHA, Act Now, Save Later- Video
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jC5yFzmd-4c&sns=em%0A%0A%0AAsent>

IAEM Public Private Partnerships Facebook Page
<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/IAEM-Public-Private-Partnerships/290863510967283>

Fire Chasers Project

The Fire Chasers Team has been researching wildfire since 2008. Our primary goal is to better understand how adaptive capacities such as communication efficacy during incidents relates to more disaster resilient communities.

<http://cnr.ncsu.edu/blogs/firechasers/>

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U.S. News Reports

Tropical Storm Debby

Tropical Storm Debby disrupts Gulf oil, gas production

<http://www.usatoday.com/weather/storms/story/2012-06-23/tropical-storm-debby/55783248/1>

Governor Scott signs Executive Order declaring State of Emergency due to Tropical Storm Debby

<http://www.floridadisaster.org/eoc/PressReleases/GOVERNOR%20SCOTT%20SIGNS%20EXECUTIVE%20ORDER%20DECLARING%20STATE%20OF%20EMERGENCY%20DUE%20TO%20TROPICAL%20STORM%20DEBBY%20-%20FDEM%20Press%20Release%2006-25-2012.pdf>

NASA sees Tropical Storm Debby's clouds blanket Florida

<http://phys.org/news/2012-06-nasa-tropical-storm-debby-clouds.html>

Tropical Storm Debby brings attention to travel insurance

<http://www.waff.com/story/18875904/tropical-storm-debby-brings-attention-to-travel-insurance>

Tropical Storm Debby puts a damper on Florida vacations; 'We're moving on. Plan B, I guess'

http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/tropical-storm-debby-soaks-floridas-gulf-coast-a-2-foot-drenching-is-possible-in-some-spots/2012/06/25/qJQAYjns2V_story.html?hpid=z4

Debby's deluge: 2 feet of rain, thousands flee floods

<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/47958727/ns/weather/>

Hilton Head beaches stay busy despite Tropical Storm Debby (South Carolina)

<http://www.wtoc.com/story/18887198/hilton-head-beaches-stay-busy-despite-tropical-storm-debby>

Debby drives home message of disaster preparedness course

<http://www2.jcfloridan.com/news/2012/jun/27/perfect-timing-disaster-preparedness-course-ar-4042888/>

Debby a wake-up call as emergency managers ask: 'What if?'

<http://www2.tbo.com/weather/breaking-news/2012/jun/27/4/namaino1-a-wake-up-call-ar-420862/>

4 dead, 1 missing as sodden Florida bids Debby good-bye

http://www.cnn.com/2012/06/27/us/tropical-weather/index.html?hpt=hp_bn1

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Western States Wildfires

Crews counterattack Utah fire that saw hundreds flee
<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/47926409/ns/weather/>

Utah fire believed to have started in shooting range
http://www.cnn.com/2012/06/23/us/western-wildfires/index.html?hpt=hp_t2

She shoots wildfire photos amid the flames
http://www.cnn.com/2012/06/22/us/wildfire-photographer-greer-profile/index.html?hpt=hp_c3

Debate over fire retardant toxicity rages in West
<http://www.ajc.com/news/nation-world/debate-over-fire-retardant-1462482.html>

Thousands evacuated as wildfire nears Colo. Towns
http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5iqFmXtm_XPQEXH0yte-4abDqcyjA?docId=5a864455d2b94845bf34163f2c75090c

FEMA Authorizes Funds to Help Fight Utah's Wood Hollow Fire
<http://www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=63497>

FEMA Authorizes Funds to Help Fight Colorado's Waldo and Weber Wildfires
<http://www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=63496>

FEMA Authorizes Funds to Help Fight Utah's Dump Fire
<http://www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=63456>

FEMA Approves Fire Management Assistance Grant for Fire in Sandoval County, New Mexico
<http://www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=63436>

Colorado wildfires: C-130s called in to help
<http://news.yahoo.com/blogs/lookout/colorado-wildfires-raging-133150706.html>

Wildfires leave Colorado tourism high and dry
<http://daily.fox5.com/2012/06/25/12399638-wildfires-leave-colorado-tourism-high-and-dry?lite>

Colorado evacuees wait as wildfires blaze on
<http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-na-colorado-fires-20120626,0,4858992.story>

Colorado wildfire of 'epic proportions' displaces 32,000; tests firefighters
http://www.cnn.com/2012/06/27/us/western-wildfires/index.html?hpt=hp_t1

President Obama to tour Colorado wildfires
<http://news.yahoo.com/blogs/ticket/obama-colorado-wildfires-212538465.html>

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Wildfire Puts City Of Boulder on Pre-Evacuation Orders (Colorado)

<http://denver.cbslocal.com/2012/06/26/wildfire-puts-city-of-boulder-put-on-pre-evacuation-orders/>

Dynamic Maps Track Colorado Wildfires

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Dynamic-Maps-Track-Colorado-Wildfires-EM.html>

Colorado blaze devours houses, chars land on Air Force Academy

<http://www.foxnews.com/us/2012/06/27/ferocious-fire-devours-homes-in-colorado-springs/?intcmp=related>

Red zone: Policies put more Coloradans at risk

<http://www.preventionweb.net/english/professional/news/v.php?id=27418&pid:50>

FEMA Authorizes Funds to Help Fight Montana's Dahl Fire

<http://www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=63558>

FEMA Authorizes Funds to Help Fight Montana's Corral Fire

<http://www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=63557>

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Emergency Management

Financially-strapped Nevada city declared disaster

<http://news.yahoo.com/financially-strapped-nevada-city-declared-disaster-164138976.html>

Gain the Public's Trust, Dallas All-Hazards, All-Stakeholders Summit Attendees are Told

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Gain-Publics-Trust-Dallas-All-Hazards-All-Stakeholders.html>

Emergency management: Out of many—one?

<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/emergency-management-out-of-many-one/e9a23c2b713e520ba8de422d5c27cd07.html>

Public Complacency Toward Emergency Preparedness is Still a Problem, Survey Finds

<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/public-complacency-toward-emergency-preparedness-is-still-a-problem-survey-finds/8f8a61283e68aa0ee22a1ecf06333b6a.html>

Emergency planners in area review lessons learned after Hurricane Irene (North Carolina)

<http://www.kinston.com/news/hurricane-83039-irene-emergency.html>

Mass. town receives citation for tornado response work

<http://www.homeland1.com/eval/articles/1305332-Mass-town-receives-citation-for-tornado-response-work/>

Cellphone Signals Can Find People Scattered by Disaster

<http://www.popularmechanics.com/science/environment/natural-disasters/cellphone-signals-can-find-people-scattered-by-disaster-9842813>

City of Galveston makes changes in emergency preparedness for hurricane season (Texas)

<http://abclocal.go.com/ktrk/story?section=news/local&id=8711401&rss=rss-ktrk-article-8711401>

Former emergency manager sues city for whistleblower violations (Oregon)

http://www.portlandtribune.com/news/story.php?story_id=134033302023096900

Bangor prepares for a zombie attack (Maine)

<http://bangordailynews.com/2012/06/21/news/bangor/emergency-responders-hone-preparedness-skills-during-bangor-zombie-apocalypse/>

Guard's WMD Civil Support Teams Can Respond Faster Than Other Federal Assets

<http://www.hstoday.us/briefings/correspondents-watch/single-article/guards-wmd-civil-support-teams-can-respond-faster-than-other-federal-assets/af2160975c8dc3d4ab7f17f0942bdcdc.html>

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Terror drill in Philadelphia all-too-real (Pennsylvania)

http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-505263_162-57460369/terror-drill-in-philadelphia-all-too-real/?tag=mncol;lst;2

Emergency response plan for hurricanes essential for small firms

<http://www.businessinsurance.com/article/20120624/NEWS05/306249990?tags=|64|305|340|342>

BIG BUSINESS - SMALL BUSINESS MENTORSHIP PROGRAM LAUNCHES FOR ENHANCED DISASTER RESILIENCY

<http://www.iaem.com/pressroom/documents/B2BMentorPressRelease01June2012.pdf>

After suspension, emergency manager back to work (Florida)

<http://www.nbc-2.com/story/18896806/2012/06/27/after-suspension-emergency-manager-back-to-work>

Texts to warn about threats (Tennessee)

<http://www.tennessean.com/article/20120627/NEWS01/306270096/1969/NEWS>

Osceola gets new interim fire chief (Florida)

http://articles.orlandosentinel.com/2012-06-25/news/os-osceola-fire-chief-20120625_1_interim-fire-deputy-chiefs-fire-chief-duties

Unlike Daley, Mayor Emanuel behind the scenes when heat soars (Illinois)

<http://www.suntimes.com/13427739-418/unlike-daley-mayor-emanuel-behind-the-scenes-when-heat-soars.html>

New City EOC Could Be on the Way (Texas)

<http://www.kiiitv.com/story/18877065/exclusive-new-city-eoc-could-be-on-the-way>

Amateur Radio Event Showcases Emergency Preparedness Skills

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Amateur-Radio-Event-Emergency-Preparedness.html>

San Francisco welcomed as role model and first major US city to join UN campaign (California)

<http://www.preventionweb.net/english/professional/news/v.php?id=27287&a=email>

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Homeland Security, Defense and National Security

Hundreds evacuated from terminal at airport in NYC

<http://news.yahoo.com/hundreds-evacuated-terminal-airport-nyc-171415179.html>

How Obama's foreign policy team relates to the Vietnam War — or doesn't

http://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/james-mann-how-obamas-foreign-policy-team-relates-to-the-vietnam-war--or-doesnt/2012/06/22/qJQAkVWkvV_story.html?hpid=z3

Report: Submarine hazing centered on homosexuality

<http://www.foxnews.com/us/2012/06/23/report-submarine-hazing-centered-on-homosexuality/?test=latestnews?test=latestnews>

Documents: Neo-Nazi Murderer J.T. Ready Detained Immigrants in Desert

<http://www.splcenter.org/blog/2012/06/22/documents-neo-nazi-murderer-j-t-ready-detained-immigrants-in-desert/>

Hate Group Leader to Serve as California State Judge

<http://www.splcenter.org/blog/2012/06/20/hate-group-leader-to-serve-as-california-state-judge/>

Former Congressman Tancredo to Address White Supremacists

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Fire Chasers Project

The Fire Chasers Team has been researching wildfire since 2008. Our primary goal is to better understand how adaptive capacities such as communication efficacy during incidents relates to more disaster resilient communities.

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