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The Honorable Douglas A. Ducey  
Governor of Arizona  
Attn: Office of the Chief of Staff  
1700 West Washington, Suite 156  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Governor Ducey:

The Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs respectfully submits its Annual Tribal Consultation Report for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. This report is pursuant to Executive Order 2006-14, Consultation and Cooperation with Arizona Tribes.

The Department continues to make great efforts to build upon and further enhance its relationships with the tribes in Arizona. This report reflects these ongoing efforts.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael T. McGuire".

MICHAEL T. McGUIRE  
Major General, AZ ANG  
The Adjutant General

cc: Ms. Kristine FireThunder, Policy Advisor, Tribal Affairs  
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## Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs 2018 Annual Report

### **Agency Overview**

The Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (DEMA) consists of the Army and the Air National Guard, the Division of Emergency Management (ADEM), the Division of Administrative Services, and the Joint Programs Division. DEMA provides unique capabilities and services to the citizens of Arizona in three distinct roles: community, state and federal.

### **Tribal Consultation Policy**

DEMA recognizes and honors the Government-to-Government relationship that exists between the State of Arizona and the Tribes. To that end, the Department created its "Tribal Consultation Policy" initially in 2006, as part of Executive Order 2006-14, "Consultation and Cooperation with Arizona Tribes." On 13 March 2017 The Adjutant General, Major General Michael T. McGuire, signed an updated "Tribal Consultation Policy" Policy Letter No. 10.20 which supersedes Policy Letter No. 10.20 dated 12 SEP 2012. This updated Policy Letter was disseminated internally, sent externally to the Governor's Office on Tribal Relations, and was shared with all of the Tribal Emergency Managers.

### **Tribal Liaison**

As a necessary extension of Executive Order 2006-14, "Consultation and Cooperation with Arizona Tribes", in 2010 the Department met the obligation of having a dedicated Tribal Point-of-Contact (POC) when it created the Tribal Liaison position. This position, which currently reports to the Adjutant General and the Director of the Division of Administrative Services, works closely with the Director of the Division of Emergency Management and provides direct access between the tribes and DEMA/ADEM. The Tribal Liaison advises DEMA/ADEM staff on tribal related issues to include cultural awareness and sensitivity.

### **FY18 Tribal Consultation Activities**

DEMA has continued to work collaboratively and in partnership with Tribes in Arizona. To that end DEMA has conducted and/or participated in various activities throughout the past year with the intent to support Tribal efforts in increasing their emergency management capabilities. This has included training opportunities, requesting Tribal participation in exercises, supporting Tribes in exercises including a Tabletop Exercise at the San Carlos Apache Reservation, the Navajo Nation "Operation Jini" Medical Counter Measures Tabletop Exercise, a Shelter Exercise with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, a Point-of-Dispensing (POD) Exercise with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, a Functional Exercise with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community at Salt River Fields, and the Navajo Nation "Operation Jini" Medical Counter Measures Functional Exercise. DEMA has continued to engage in information sharing with Tribal partners on a regular basis via various mechanisms including face-to-face meetings with Tribal Emergency Managers on Tribal lands and hosting quarterly meetings with Tribal and County Emergency Managers in the Northern, Central, and Southern Regions. DEMA opted to move its' annual summit with Tribal Emergency Managers to September 2018 to support Tribal participation in the annual DEMA Preparedness Symposium by holding the summit the day before the symposium. DEMA has continued to provide tribes with information on potential hazards that Tribes can modify so the developed material is Tribe-specific and meet Tribal needs; this includes the "Ready, Set, Go!" program which supports evacuations as the result of an emergency. DEMA also supported the Arizona Geological Survey with Earthquake Preparedness Presentations to various audiences at the Cocopah Indian Tribes in support of the Arizona ShakeOut- Annual Statewide Earthquake Drill. An overview of related activities and others is offered in the following table:



Goal	Objective	Activity and Performance Measure
DEMA will coordinate emergency management, state activities and Army/Air National Guard activities and/or assistance to Tribal governments	Participate in the "Indian Nations and Tribes Legislative Day" to provide Tribal leaders with information on DEMA role	January 2018 – DEMA staff provided informational materials and engaged Tribal members, Tribal officials, Elected officials, and other attendees throughout the day.
	Provide ongoing department information to help strengthen Tribal emergency management capabilities	Ongoing - Tribal Emergency Managers and Tribal Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Coordinators are regularly provided with information on DEMA activities including available training, upcoming exercises, and grant opportunities.
	Hold a FEMA Tribal Consultation Meeting with Arizona Tribes	August 2017 - Coordinated and conducted a FEMA Tribal Consultation meeting with representatives from Arizona Tribal Emergency Management programs at the State Emergency Operations Center
DEMA staff will engage in the consultation process with Tribes by various means, depending on the situation.	Meet with tribes to speak with officials and discuss hazards, issues, and concerns.	Ongoing – Meet with Tribal Emergency Managers on their lands to discuss potential hazards, Tribal issues and concerns, and needs.
	Conduct quarterly meetings with Tribal and County Emergency Managers in the Northern, Central, and Southern Regions to address new or emerging issues.	Various Dates – Quarterly meetings are held with Emergency Management representatives from each region, including Tribal Emergency Managers, to discuss new or emerging issues and how to address them. Attendees include the Arizona Division of Emergency Management (ADEM) Director, all of the ADEM Assistant Directors, and the Tribal Liaison.
DEMA will assist Tribal governments in developing emergency management programs by providing training and technical assistance to the extent resources allow	Provide support through training.	Various Dates -ADEM offered over 180 courses across the State and on Tribal lands with all Tribal officials afforded the same opportunities to attend. Provided WebEOC training to the Navajo Nation Department of Emergency Management (NNDEM) and the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation Office of Emergency Management; coordinated and assisted in the delivery of the first National Emergency Management Basic Academy offering in Arizona hosted by the Gila River Indian Community - Office of Emergency Management and coordinated the first local delivery of the Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP) Healthcare Coalition Response Leadership Course in support of the Arizona Tribal Health Care Coalition
	Provide opportunities to Tribes to participate in various exercises to increase readiness and response.	Various Dates – In all Tribes participated in three (3) State-led exercises last year. This includes the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS) Exercise series and the 2018 National Mass Care Tabletop Exercise and the 2018 National Mass Care Full-Scale Exercise





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DEMA will assist Tribal governments in developing emergency management programs by providing training and technical assistance to the extent resources allow (cont.)	Provide support through technical assistance as needed.	Various Dates - Provide technical assistance to Tribes renewing Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plans, Emergency Operations Plans, and the Gila River Indian Community Emergency Operations Plan - Radiological Annex, and the White Mountain Apache Tribes Drought Declaration
	Foster capacity building so Tribes can better respond to and recover from disasters.	Ongoing – DEMA provides the FEMA Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) program funding as a pass-through to Tribes who apply so they can sustain and/or strengthen their programs.
DEMA will assist Tribal governments in their response to and recovery from emergencies	Provide technical and personnel support to Tribal Nations during and after incident response as requested.	Various Dates – Served as an Agency Liaison to various Tribes during a number of incidents including (but not limited to) the San Carlos Apache Tribe and water system issues that impacted Peridot, the Rattlesnake Fire which impacted the White Mountain Apache Tribe, the Sawmill Fire which impacted the Navajo Nation, and the Grey Valley Fire which impacted Navajo Nation
Enter into Intergovernmental Agreements or Memoranda of Understanding, including but not limited to the Arizona Mutual Aide Compact (AZMAC), when considered mutually appropriate by DEMA and the respective Tribal Government	Increase the number of Tribal signatories to the AZMAC to assist in response to emergencies	Ongoing – DEMA was able to secure four (4) additional Tribal signatories to the AZMAC which now has thirteen (13) Tribes participating

### Highlights

Over the past year the Tribal Liaison has again been asked to come out and participate in training and exercises with various Tribes as well as being asked to assist Tribal response efforts on Tribal lands. This includes coordination with Tribal Emergency Managers to provide both technical support and to serve as a liaison between the Tribe and other State agencies, Federal partners, and Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOADs) during incidents. These continuing requests are a reflection of the efforts that have been made to continue to strengthen the Department's relationship with Tribal governments.

### Recommendations from Tribal Representatives

Over the past year the Tribal Liaison was asked to provide additional information regarding the various State agencies that can support the Tribes in their response efforts. To meet this recommendation a Listening Session was established at the 2018 Tribal Emergency Management Summit entitled "Supporting Tribal Emergency Management Response" that provided this information to all Tribes in attendance.

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