



# RDPO

Regional Disaster Preparedness Organization

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## Disaster Debris Management

### Tabletop Exercise Read Ahead Information

The RDPO Disaster Debris Management Tabletop Exercise (TTX) will be held on **January 26, 2016 from 8:00am (Change in start time from Workshops) to 12:00pm** in the East Hall (Hall A - **Different Hall than workshops**) at the Portland Expo Center. It will be a four-hour discussion-based exercise. The information in this read ahead will allow you to prepare for the TTX discussion.

#### Objectives:

1. Discuss and clarify regional and jurisdictional roles and responsibilities in the selection of Debris Management Sites (DMS).
2. Discuss and clarify regional and jurisdictional roles and responsibilities in preparation and management of DMSs.
3. Discuss and clarify regional and jurisdictional roles and responsibilities in the final disposition of debris and closing out DMSs operations.

#### Scenario:

A severe storm has brought record high winds and heavy rains to the greater Portland - Vancouver Region. This event has resulted in a State of Emergency declaration by the Governor and a Major Disaster Declaration by the President. Debris generated requires DMSs to be established.

#### Exercise Structure:

The scenario will be composed of the following three modules:

- Module 1: Initial DMS Selection
- Module 2: DMS Preparation and Operations
- Module 3: Final Disposition of Debris and DMS Closeout

Each module begins with a scenario update that summarizes key events occurring within that time period. Participants will review the situation and engage in group discussions of the questions and issues

**Module 1:** The storm and ensuing flood have necessitated a DMS. Three notional sites will be presented; each group will discuss and decide on a preferred site. Sample questions to be addressed:

1. Who is responsible for making the site selection?
2. What local, state and Federal laws, regulations and guidance are most important for making the decision?

**Module 2:** The sites have been selected; debris removal contracts are in place and will commence work in the next few days. Sample questions to be addressed:

1. What permits need to be obtained? Who is responsible for obtaining?
2. Who is responsible for managing/operating the site?

**Module 3:** Debris removal is nearing completion. Sample questions to be addressed:

1. What options are there for final disposal?
2. What needs to be done before final close-out of the DMS site?

**Please come familiar with any existing or draft debris management plans in your organization.**

**Registration:** <http://rdpo-ddm-ttx.eventbrite.com>

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