Disasters & Disaster Response:
The Plain Truth
Don’t be afraid. Be Ready.
Objectives

- The Realities and Challenges of
  - Disasters
  - Disaster response
... Meet the people behind the scenes.
Organization Interaction

- Presidential Disaster Declaration
- Armed Forces
- Federal Funds
- FEMA
- FederalGov. Agencies
- Federal Response Plan
- State Dept of Transportation
- State Emergency Management
- State Gov. Agencies
- State Law Enforcement
- State Response Plans
- Emergency Funding
- Emergency Declaration
- County Contingency Plans
- Private Industry
- Utilities
- Mutual Aid
- MACs/EOCs
- Governor’s Office
- County Gov. Agencies
- County Response Agencies
- County
- City Agencies
- City Plans
- Mutual Aid
- City
- Relief Orgs. Volunteers
- Incident Commander
Reality Bytes: A Local Hazard Assessment
Cascade
Surge
Daily Business
Disaster Surge
The “True Nature” of Disaster

Disasters overwhelm the community’s emergency response systems.

U.S. averages for citizens to emergency workers: as high as 410 to 1

Citizens need to prepare to sustain themselves for 72 to 96 hours
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Reality Bytes: Cascade Effects

Power outage:

- Lights
- Heat/ AC
- Cordless phones
- Cell phones
- Gas pumps
- ATMs
- Home medical equipment