NTHMP MES Meeting November 20, 2024

Agenda:

- Welcome and Sign In
- MES Partner Announcements
- MES Co-chair Replacement
- PACIFEX Dates
- FY2025 Work Plan Activity Review
- Closing

**Please enter your name and affiliation in the chat.



MES Partner Announcements

 Please use the raise your hand button if you would like to make an announcement to the group.



MES Co-chair Replacement

- Call for vote for Stephen Cahill as an MES Co-chair Territory/State representative to fill outgoing MES Co-chair Regina Browne
- Nic Arcos will stay on as MES Co-chair Federal representative for a new term.



PACIFEX25 Dates

- Discussion of potential dates for PACIFEX25 during months of March through May 2025.
- What dates may or may not work for your region if you plan to participate?

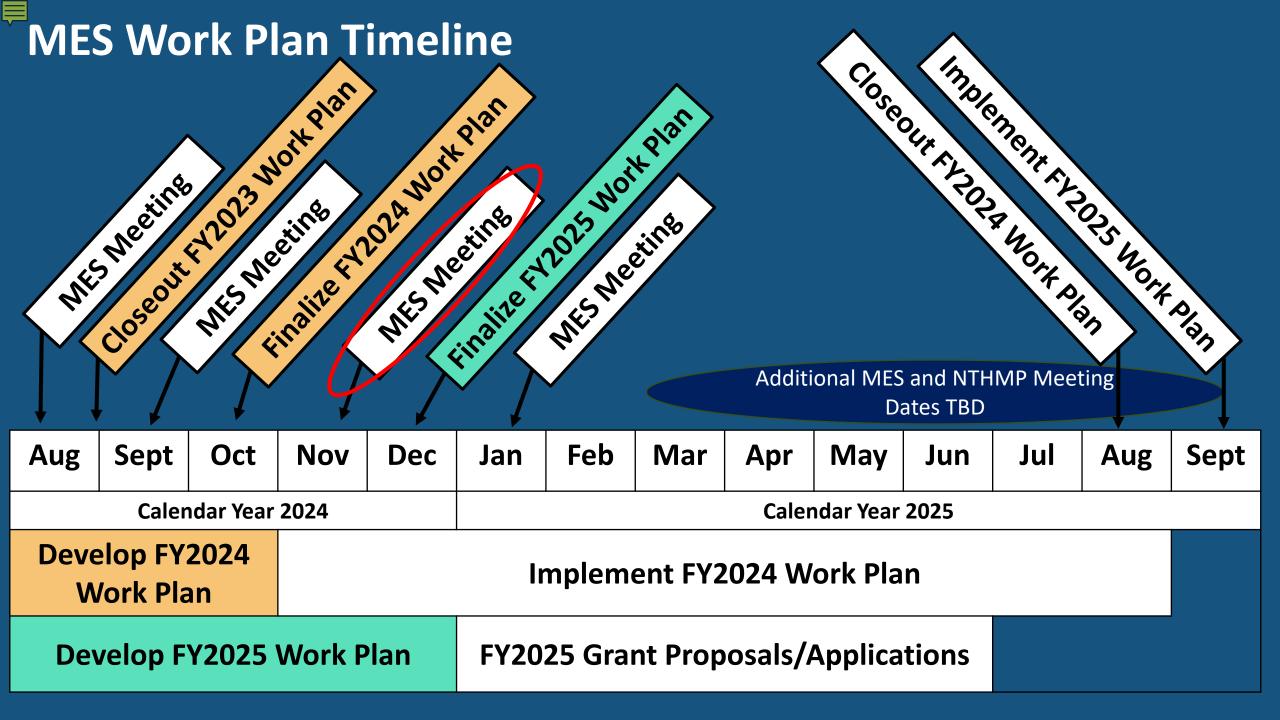
*Note: May 19-24, 2024, is currently the placeholder date for NTHMP Annual Meeting



MES Work Plan Development FY2024 and FY2025

Objectives:

- ✓ Develop the MES FY2024 by the end of October 2024.
- Develop the MES work plan for the next fiscal year (FY2025) by the end of December 2024.



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FY2025 Work Plan Development

Tasks:

- Completed
 - ✓ MES Partners submit initial input for work plan activities.
 - ✓ MES Partners review the suggested work plan activities.
 - ✓ MES Co-chairs compile input and coordinate with activity leads.
- In Progress
 - Review draft work plan at MES Meeting on November 20, 2024.
- To Do
 - Complete work plan revisions by early December 2024.
 - Finalize work plan by end of December 2024.
 - Provide work plan to NTHMP CC for February 2025 meeting.



Task Description:

Development of a manual in consultation with the Hazus Help Desk, outlining the steps necessary for NESEC or any other user to update their installation of Hazus to be operational for Tsunami for the USEC.

Outcomes:

Manual outlining the steps necessary for NESEC internally or any other user to update their installation of Hazus to be operational for Tsunami for the USEC. FEMA Expansion of Hazus to the USEC.



Task Description:

Canned messaging (editable text and graphics) for use during International Tsunami Awareness Day and other tsunami event anniversaries (2011, 2009, 2004, etc) so partners can more easily push messaging.

Outcomes:

NTHMP partners have easy to use resources for International Tsunami Awareness Day and other tsunami-related events throughout the year, thus ensuring these events don't pass by without acknowledgement.



Task Description:

Online repository for sharing files and resources between NTHMP partners - like the Basecamp site Washington has, but one that is operated by NWS/NOAA so access doesn't rely on outside funding or a particular state/territory partner.

Outcomes:

An online repository for NTHMP-related files that all NTHMP partners have access to, so file sharing is easy and we have a historical record.



Task Description:

NTHMP Social Media Presence. Identify social media platform, identify lead from MES or NOAA

Outcomes:

Online social media presence to share ideas globally like Twitter\X or InstaGram page



Task Description:

Tsunami Ambassador Program - After school program geared towards preteens to spread awareness about hazards of tsunamis, preparedness, and warning signs. Develop a statewide after school program that graduates students as tsunami ambassadors that then go out and spread awareness to friends, peers, and family.

Outcomes:

Increase awareness of tsunami hazards and risks. Promote understanding of tsunami warning signs and evacuation procedures. Inspire action by encouraging individuals, families, and communities to develop tsunami preparedness plans.



Task Description:

TsnunamiReady Recommendations: C1. WFOs and TsunamiReady Boards should incorporate the Maritime Related Options/Strategies guidance and recommendations developed by NTHMP Partners for use with Ports and Harbors as part of the TsunamiReady Program.

Outcomes:

Recommendations to NTHMP CC to endorse NTHMP TsunamiReady Maritime Related Options/Strategies guidance and provide to NWS Tsunami Program on behalf of NTHMP.



Task Description:

Tsunami signage evaluation

Outcomes:

NTHMP Summary of existing tsunami sign usage in States/Territories. Outline of steps for next phase of activity to propose tsunami signs to FHWA for inclusion in Federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.



Task Description:

TsunamiZone.org Global Exercise and Tsunami Education Support

Outcomes:

TsunamiZone.org hosts registration for participants for tsunami events and exercises. TsunamiZone.org provides a central repository for tsunami education and outreach resources, a calendar of events, and a nexus to NTHMP partners through individual partner web pages.



Task Description:

Tsunami Maritime Mitigation Funding. Developing a comprehensive, evolving document that outlines funding mechanisms and opportunities for mitigation projects. Collaborating with local stakeholders to continuously update and refine this list of funding sources over time

Outcomes:

This project will create a viable document that lists funding sources that can be shared with the maritime community to directly connect local ports and harbors to sources of funding to complete projects that will improve their resilience to tsunami and other overlapping coastal hazards.



Task Description:

Strategic Engagement with the U.S. Coast Guard and Maritime Efforts Work strategically with the U.S. Coast Guard to understand their initial response actions, roles, and responsibilities during tsunamis.

Outcomes:

Improved Tsunami Alerting and Response Timelines for each state and territory and an updated Boater's Guide from Washington that can be shared with other states and territories. Improved understanding of USCG procedures post-tsunami.



Task Description:

WA State Tsunami Hospitality Guide

Outcomes:

Development of a WA State Tsunami Hospitality Guide focused on educating and preparing the coastal hospitality industry which includes best practices and lessons learned from NTHMP partners.



Task Description:

Exercise Support for NTWC, PTWC, and WCS in annual exercises (CaribeWave, Lantex, Pacifex)

Outcomes:

Increased participation in exercises.

Exercise feedback from local entities to inform future exercises



Task Description:

USVI Tsunami Awareness and Preparedness Survey

Outcomes:

Asses the current levels of awareness, knowledge, and preparedness regarding tsunami risks within the USVI community.

By identifying gaps and areas for improvement, the survey will inform targeted educational and training programs, enhance early warning systems, and support the development of effective emergency response strategies.

Closing

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 15th, 2025 (1pm-2pm pst)

- Action items and upcoming activities:
 - FY2025 Work Plan Revisions (MES Co-chairs)
 - MES Terms of Reference Update (MES Co-chairs)
 - FY2024 Work Plan Activity Updates at January MES Meeting (MES Activity Leads)
 - Provide FY2025 Work Plan to NTHMP CC for February 2025 meeting (MES Co-chairs)