

Oct 11, 2024 | 📅 NTHMP CC Meeting - Q1

Attendees: RIZZO Althea * OEM Herseith, Andrew Zuzak, Casey Charles Mccreery - NOAA Federal
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Action items

- Welcome, roll call and approve [minutes from previous meeting](#) (15 minutes)
 - Need suggestions for Gulf Coast EM, potential additional to modeling scientists
 - [Review all of our replies for the roster refresh](#) - who do we need to add?
 - [Subcommittee co-chairs needed](#) -
 - Review CC List & voting status
 - Christa & Summer as the NOAA reps
- Annual Report Update (due October 18) - Sarah, Jon, & Elyssa (<5 minutes)
- TsulInfo Alert - Sarah (10 minutes)
 - Proposal: Similar to NCEI funding, we allot the TsulInfo alert money (~\$30-50K, ~\$4K per partner), then distribute funds across all states/territories, in alignment with the Strategic Plan, for FY25 grant cycle (Sept 2025 - August 2026)
 - Newsletter vs blog format
 - Recent No Cost Extension will continue TsulInfo Alert through September 2025.
 - Vote: Do we want to keep TsulInfo Alert?**
 - Vote: Are we willing to all contribute an equal amount to take off the funding from off the top of the grant before distributing across the partners?**
 - More in-depth discussion planned for next CC meeting
 - NTHMP bi-monthly newsletter sent in September.
 - Focus is on the NWS Tsunami Program, with some heads-up type information on NTHMP meetings, NWS program updates, TsunamiReady tracking.
 - Does NOT replace TsulInfo Alert with a more broad focus. Created to address concerns regarding communication frequency and transparency with the NWS.
 - Would “**NWS Tsunami Program Update**” be a more appropriate name?
- Annual Meeting - Winter/Spring 2025 (5 minutes)
 - Date Options - any red flags or widespread conflicts?
 - March 17-21 (Possible Tsunami exercise)
 - NEMA March 21-25 (not an option for AK)
 - March 24-28 (CA & AK Tsunami Preparedness week)
 - May 19-23*
 - PACIFEX May 23

- May 26-30*
 - Note * per diem rates increase May 1, so overall trip cost would be higher, but still less than the American Samoa trip AND still a single in-person meeting this year instead of 2. May also be safer for local travel/familiarization visits for May vs March
 - May 26 - Memorial Day
- Work Plan Review - (20 minutes) - Get draft work plans to share with CC for awareness?
 - [MES](#)
- Grant Update - Sarah & Greg (10 minutes)
 - Meetings to be scheduled Nov/Dec
 - <https://www.weather.gov/nthmp/Grants> has been updated with Grant Guidance for FY25 cycle!
 - Email to be sent ASAP with the link plus a Doodle Poll to schedule one-on-one pre-application meetings between Sarah, Corina and Greg with each state/territory.
- Webinar for all NTHMP:
 - Tsunami.gov update
 - Tsunami Warning Center Alignment of Operations
 - Social Science project

Voting Summary:

NOTES:

- Welcome, roll call and approve [minutes from previous meeting](#) (15 minutes)
 - Send notes out as an email for next time
 - Motion for Notes approved by thumbs up
- Roster Refresh
 - No major points to note
- Subcommittee co-chair discussion
 - Alex D. will be rotating out soon as well
 - For MMS co-chairs what's the plan for reevaluating? What's the timeline?
 - Co-chairs to call for nominations and names to put forth and then at the next CC meeting let's vote to approve new co-chairs**
- **Annual report update: Jon and Elyssa are taking the lead on writing this. 1-pagers due to Jon and Elyssa by October 18th.**
 - Q: do we want an NCEI 1-pager or does that go into MMS? NCEI could submit highlights on DEM development
- **TsulInfo Alert:**
 - FY24 - WA used a NCE to pay for TsulInfo and it was last minute (this continues it through Aug 2025)
 - For TsulInfo alert . What's next? Who gets it, what format, modernization, is it worth keeping? In American Samoa the consensus was that yes it is worth keeping and we may want to talk about re-focusing and modernization. In previous years TslInfo was "taken off the top" but that hasn't

happened the last 2 years. Because WA has the setup and history we'd like to keep it with WA and they are OK with that as long as it doesn't come out of WA budget alone.

- Vote: keep TsuInfo Alert?** This would allow WA to keep it in their pre-application package and we would discuss specifics and the amount at the January CC meeting
- Raise hands: all raised = yes to continue this discussion and WA can include in their pre-application package**

- **NTHMP Happenings newsletter:** Sarah sent that out as a way to provide more information and transparency, NTHMP communication, NWS program updates, tsunamiready, meetings, weather service efforts. **Audience: NTHMP partners some NWS leaders (because they approve it). It also gets posted on the website.** Concerns about it representing NTHMP and not having the voice of NTHMP.
 - Add Tsuinfo articles on the front page of the NTHMP website. Note: Thanks, I double-checked and found a link to TsuInfo under the "News" tab called "Tsunami Alerts". May want to update that to TsuInfo. :) the NTHMP Happenings is under 'About NTHMP' feel like TsuInfo should live there as well.
 - Additionally link to the tsuinfo webpage rather than the pdfs directly so less hassle for Sarah and also allows us to get traffic analytics
 - ACTION: Sarah has updated the NTHMP website front page to link directly to TsuInfo Alert and updated the description for the new NWS newsletter**
 - Suggestion to have subcommittee report outs on that newsletter: a way to have subcommittee representation and voice. Comment about having short minutes rather than big articles in this.
 - Feedback that the one-page summary is helpful. It is a helpful tool
 - Question about the cadence: Looking to alternate with tsuinfo so this would be every other month.
 - Keep it brief and in the meeting update section point to those or link to them.
 - More general support. Next issue in November and we can keep course correcting.
- **Annual meeting dates:**
 - CA and AK tsunami preparedness week: March 24-28 not good
 - CARIBE Wave is in March 17-21(?)
 - **Looking like May 19-23 is better**
 - **May meeting could conflict the grant due date so keep that in mind**
- **Grants:** all new documents on the grants webpage! <https://www.weather.gov/nthmp/Grants>
 - Included in the email will be a doodle poll for when to meet with NWS Tsunami Program in November/December **(Email sent 10/15/2024, with Doodle Poll for dates in December & January based on meeting feedback)**
 - Mid-February for pre-application
 - When will we know or do we know about funding: we haven't heard otherwise. We support the president's budget and with a CR we will assume it's the same as this past year.
 - Should they prepare 2 grants FY24 scenario and pre-FY24 scenario
 - General guidance to prioritize and can go big (assume \$4-6m) but understand that budget is unknown and may be less (or more).
 - Discussion that they won't be ready to share grant list or priority in November-December. They were expecting the jan-February timeline.
 - Sarah: **hearing what you're been doing, how the grant is going, are you looking to build on that, what are becoming your priorities. NOT expecting budget numbers or specifics at these meetings** just trying to get ahead and understand your ideas so we can prepare.
- Idea of a Webinar for NTHMP partners: YES we will setup a doodle poll
 - tsunami.gov revamp

- Social science project
- Tsunami warning center alignment
 - Work groups
 - Next steps
 - timeline
- Work Plan review:
 - MES work plan
 - **Co-chairs please send work plans**