

MEETING MINUTES

11 September 2017 (Monday), 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

DGGS Geologic Materials Center - 3651 Penland Parkway, Anchorage
Teleconference (1-800-315-6338, Code: 50077#)

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I. OPENING BUSINESS

- Call to Order-*Scher*; Roll call – John Aho, Edward Athey, David Gibbs, Michael Holman, Laura Kelly, Robert Scher, De Anne Stevens, and Michael West were present. Charity Carmody, Kim Stuart and Sterling Strait were excused. April Woolery from DGGS was also present. Guests: Helen Marteeny of AEC and Barrett Salisbury of DGGS.
- Approval of the Agenda – Stevens Moved, Kelly seconded – all in favor. Agenda approved with additions.
- May 9, 2017 Meeting Minutes – Stevens moved, Kelly seconded to approve with changes. All in favor. April 14, 2017 meeting minutes deferred until next ASHS meeting.
- Ethics Act – Nothing to report.
- Chair Comments – West: Introduction of Helen Marteeny

II. UPDATES ON OLD BUSINESS

- Weir-Jones Earthquake Early Warning Project – West: Weir-Jones has been nonresponsive and appears to have no further interest at this time.
- Kodiak Earthquake Scenario Study – Stevens now has all paper copies of past commissioner input and will proceed with compilation and publishing as time allows.
- Earthquake Faults/Seismic Sources Paper – Stevens: Now in final approval stages and will be published soon.
- Next Earthquake and Tsunami Workshop – Stuart: Not present – West reports that FEMA has worked with the State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS&EM) to hold workshops on hazards mitigation. Two were held in the past 12 months and none are currently scheduled.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- Identify Next School District for Rapid Visual Screening (RVS) – Kelly: Proposed covering several communities in southeast Alaska. Scher suggested using a Juneau-based engineering firm and focusing just on Juneau. Aho moved, West seconded, to contact the Juneau school district to see if they want RVS done on their schools. All in favor. Kelly will follow up in contacting Juneau.
- Steps to build on RVS Momentum (See May 9 meeting notes): Aho and Stevens pointed out that with the limited funds available, continuing the focus on screening schools is the best course at this time. In the future, other categories of structures would be worth considering.
- Strategic Plan Progress Update – Aho: Update and discussion. Aho focused on updating Section 3, implementation strategies, to include progress to date on objectives.
- Addition of Alaska Risk Map Study – West: Consideration of future direction and

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possibilities. FEMA's risk maps are based on available information and that information is not always complete or up to date. State agencies, including the Commission, share concerns regarding the use of parameters that might yield inaccurate results.

- Recommendations for Scenario Studies for Policy Recommendation – West: Overview of stakeholder interest, types of scenarios. Interest in developing draft language for scenario parameters.

IV. BRIEFINGS

- Other Entities (*AEC, DHS&EM, DGGS, MOA-GAC, other*): Barrett Salisbury reported on DGGS progress in establishing post-earthquake response policy (ASHSC Policy Recommendation 2014-1). West will disseminate information about the recent earthquake in Mexico. DGGS will soon release updated Kodiak and new Juneau tsunami reports.
- Conferences & Meetings of Interest
 - US Array Installation Completion Recognition, Anchorage, AK TBA
 - 11th National Conference on Earthquake Engineering in Los Angeles, June 26-29, 2018

V. CLOSING BUSINESS

- Document Sharing Within the Commission: Tabled until next meeting.
- Use of the akseismic mailing list – West: He will verify accuracy of email addresses.
- Staff Report – Nothing to report at this time.
- Next Meeting October or November, 2017, face-to-face meeting in Anchorage: TBA

VI. ADJOURNMENT

11:05 a.m.

Stevens moved, Aho seconded to adjourn. All in favor: meeting adjourned at 11:05 am.