

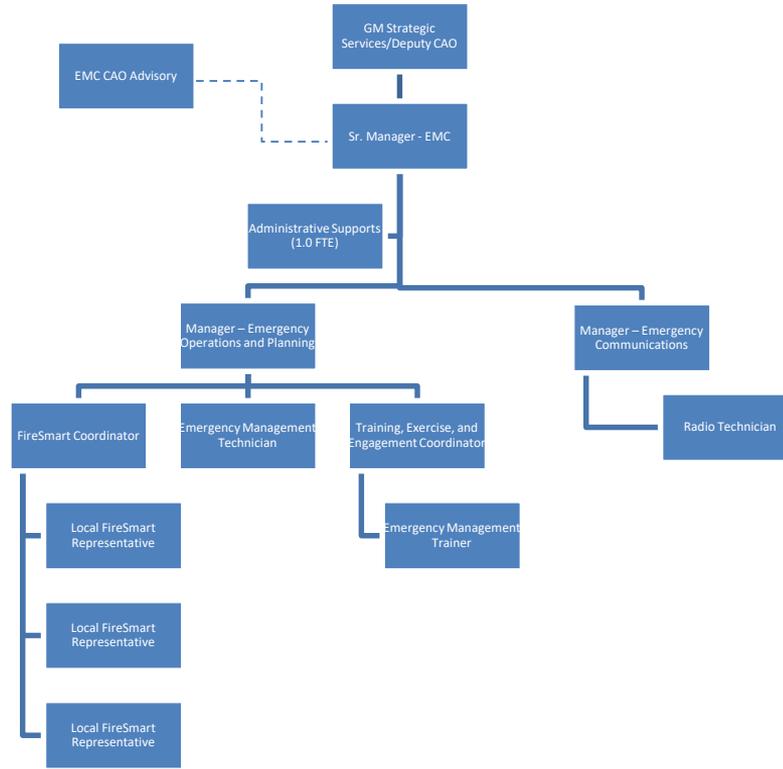
Emergency Management Cowichan Update – Fall 2024

Committee of the Whole
October 30, 2024

Topics

- **EMC Org Chart - Updated**
- **REOC/EM Training and Exercises**
- **Division Activities**

EMC Org Chart (October 2024)



REOC/EM Training and Exercises

- **EMC Training and Exercise Team:**
 - Training, Exercise, and Engagement Coordinator
 - Emergency Management Trainer
- **Current offerings:**
 - 9 open-call REOC/EM Training sessions for CVRD and Municipal staff over the winter
 - 3 REOC Introductory sessions scheduled for last 2 weeks in October
 - Developing region-specific function training and position progression framework
 - Regionalization of training
- **The future:**
 - Working towards experiential learning model (less death-by-powerpoint, more small-scale exercises)
 - Building out strategic training and exercise plan to ensure continued practice of acquired skills
 - EOC section-specific cohorting and exercising

Division Activities

- **Regional Emergency Warming Centre:**
 - Spatial Analysis
 - Arrangements for 2024/25
- **FireSmart:**
 - 173 Home Ignition Zone Assessments completed in CVRD Electoral Areas
 - ~\$50,000 in homeowners' rebates for FireSmart improvements disbursed
 - 26 FireSmart presentations to the public, clubs, and associations
 - 6 Neighbourhood Recognition Program areas in progress (one completed)
 - \$143,112.72 spent on fuel mitigation at five Critical Infrastructure sites in the CVRD
 - Phase One of a 4-year development plan for new Structural Protection Unit complete
- **Emergency Management Ops/Planning:**
 - Regional HRVA
 - Increased training offerings
 - Emergency Support Services and Neighbourhood Emergency Program revitalization

Division Activities

- Regional river dashboard project
- Scope and governance activities (regional service and Emergency and Disaster Management Act)
- Indigenous Engagement Requirements (Emergency and Disaster Management Act)

- **Emergency Communications:**

- Malahat Tower replacement
- Next Generation 911
- Coordination of regional fire dispatch requirements
- Lots of on-going maintenance

Thanks! (Questions welcome)