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Elected Officials Report

The Carbon Valley Emergency Management Agency was established in April 2019.

☑ **Emergency Management Coordinator, Merrie Garner:**

- 14 years emergency management experience, Boulder County and Weld County.
- Qualifications:
 - Bachelor of Science, Music and Business.
 - Master's degree Organizational Leadership, in progress, completion 2022.
 - Certified Emergency Manager (CO-CEM).
 - Certified FEMA Master Continuity Planner.

☑ **CVEMA Accomplishments:**

- Defined CVEMA Service Area.
- Developed a CVEMA budget.
- Assisted municipalities and fire districts with emergency planning for community events.
- Developed needs assessment for CV Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and received grant funding for computers and equipment.
- Supported COVID-19 response, resource needs, situational awareness, recovery coordination.
- Developed an emergency management training plan for CV agencies.
- Presented disaster finance course for all agency finance directors and personnel.
- Began network with oil and gas for the CVEMA service area.
- Emergency Management Coordinator Garner co-chairing Carbon Valley Network group.
- Researched and revised current Emergency Operations Plan and 20 annexes with new comprehensive format; Coordinated with Weld County and State of Colorado plans.

☑ **Ongoing activities:**

- Activate the Carbon Valley Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in support of incident response and recovery.
- Attend all Weld County, regional and statewide meetings related to emergency management and develop relationships with partner agencies.
- Inclusive community disaster planning, preparedness outreach and education, and Developing Community Resilience.

☑ **Upcoming actions:**

- Revised Carbon Valley EOP and 20 supporting annexes. GOAL: Adopted by all Agencies by January 31, 2021. [Updated every three years]
- Updated Municipal Community Profiles – Weld County Hazard Mitigation Plan – Adopted by all Agencies February 2021 [Updated every five years]

“We are not preparing for the world we live in; we are preparing for the world we find ourselves in.”

~Michael Mabee