

HATTERAS ISLAND CERT

A REVIEW OF 2017 ACTIVITIES



HI-CERT 2017 REVIEW

AGENDA

- HAM Radio Test/Dare Co. Fire Stations
- Power Line Failure
- New CERT Basic Class
- Planning Meeting with Dare Co.-2017 Storm Prep
- Response to Fiber Optic Cable Failure
- HI CERT Equipment Update
- Goals for 2018

HI-CERT 2017 REVIEW

HAM RADIO CHECK

- We assigned a CERT HAM Operator to each of the 6 fire stations on Hatteras Island.
- Each fire station now has a HAM radio in place for our use during significant events.
- We participate in testing the systems annually along with all Dare County fire stations from the Dare Co EOC in Manteo.

HATTERAS ISLAND POWER FAILURE

- During August 2017 the main powerlines were accidentally severed by contractors building the new Oregon Inlet Bridge.
- Since there was no power on HI the county ordered a evacuation of all visitors on Hatteras Island and Ocracoke Island.
- This came at the peak of the tourist season.

HATTERAS ISLAND POWER FAILURE

- HI CERT donated the use of our new trailer #2 to the village of Avon and St Johns Methodist Church to store equipment/generators/supplies during the outage.
- We were all thankful it only lasted a week until the lines were repaired and put back in service.



HI CERT BASIC COURSE 2017

- We conducted a basic CERT class in May of 2017 and had 12 people take the class.
- We had some scheduling issues but we did work with them to complete the course.



PLANNING MEETING-DARE CO.



- In Sept. I attended a meeting at the new Emergency Management Facility in Manteo and met with Leigh Bracy from Social Services and Steve Kovacs DC Fire.
- We discussed the role of HI CERT during future hurricanes and activations.
- They shared with me a new PC program they are developing to collect information after storms.

PLANNING MEETING DARE CO.



- We discussed how we will continue to work together after storms.
- It was a very good meeting and they were very supportive of our HI CERT team and agreed to keep us updated on the new program they are developing.

FIBER-OPTIC CABLE FAILURE



- In October 2017 the fiber optic cable supplying phone and internet service to Hatteras Island was accidentally severed by road workers.
- That creates a major communication issue since we had no 911 service for island residents.
- HI CERT was activated to staff each local fire station to assist with communication in case of emergency.

FIBER OPTIC CABLE FAILURE



- We worked closely with the Frisco Fire department and Rescue Station #35 until the cable was repaired and service was restored.

EQUIPMENT UPDATE

- After Hurricane Matthew we saw a need for an additional response trailer and equipment.
- We applied for and received a Grant from the OBCF for a new trailer#2.
- The grant included graphics on the trailer and 2 sets of portable shelving units.

EQUIPMENT UPDATE

- Dare Co. supplied us with pitch forks, shovels, rakes, brooms, and other equipment for use in our trailers for when we are activated.



EQUIPMENT UPDATE

- We made a request to Lowe's to donate a portable generator to CERT in August 2017.
- Made a Power Point presentation to the manager and staff as to why we needed it.
- She took the info to corporate with the recommendation to approve it.

EQUIPMENT UPDATE

- We now have a brand new generator for our new trailer #2!!!!



EQUIPMENT UPDATE

- HI CERT now has 2 equipped response trailers to serve Hatteras Island.
- Trailer #1 is stationed in Frisco at the County Bldg.
- Trailer #2 is stationed at the Salvo/Chicamacomico Fire Station #48
- Both trailers have the basic equipment we need and are ready for use.

EQUIPMENT UPDATE

- In preparing for the 2017 hurricane season, our board decided to develop “CERT Tool Kits” to be placed in each of the 6 fire stations on H.I.
- Kits included tablets, pens, folders, markers, tape, forms, etc. in sealed bins that will be ready for us to use when activated.
- We also developed and purchased 6 banners to place where ever we would be stationed so folks know where to go for help.

2018 ACTIVITES



- Hosted a SKYWARN program conducted by NOAA in March, 2018



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- Erik Heden from NOAA conducted the 2 hour training session
- It was open to the public and we had 45 people attend the meeting.
- It was the largest group Erik ever had attend this training! He was very impressed with the group and all the great questions asked.
- HI CERT is now a **Weather-Ready Nation Ambassador!!!**

2018 ACTIVITIES

- Conduct a community exercise in coordination with the Station 35 Rescue Squad and other emergency responders.
- Host and conduct HAM Operator training during 2018
- Have a first aid station and participate at Hatteras Day at the Docks
- Schedule and conduct Search and Rescue training for members in late 2018

2018 ACTIVITIES

- Participate in the Hatteras Christmas Parade in 2018.
- Conduct a new member class during 2018.

HI CERT 2017 REVIEW

- Wishing you all a very safe, storm free 2018!!!
- QUESTIONS???

