



# CITY OF CANNON BEACH

## **Emergency Operational Guideline for a Terrorist event:**

Objective: Identify actions within the community in the event of a Terrorist or man-made event.

This document is designed to identify the operational guidelines for actions from the city representatives and the community.

### **Definition:**

Terrorism, the calculated use violence or other adjuncts to create a general climate of fear in a population and thereby to bring about a particular objective. Terrorist activities can be categorized in many areas i.e. shooting, bombing, Intentional Mass Causality Incident-IMCI, infrastructure sabotage, cyber attack, electronic "sonic" attack, distraction, diversion, etc.

#### Soft Target vs. Hard Target

The terms "soft target" and "hard target" are flexible in nature and the distinction between the two is not always clear. However, typical "soft targets" are civilian sites where unarmed people congregate in large numbers. The City of Cannon Beach is an example of a soft target of opportunity. A very popular destination location that can double or triple the population in a matter of hours.

It is important for the citizens who live and work in Cannon Beach to be aware of the nature of the threat.

### **Alerting Agency:**

-Cannon Beach Police Department, Clatsop County Sheriff, Homeland Security, Oregon Emergency Operation, Federal Brough Investigation FBI,

[https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/ntas/alerts/21\\_0813\\_ntas\\_bulletin\\_all-sectors.pdf](https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/ntas/alerts/21_0813_ntas_bulletin_all-sectors.pdf)



### **Level of Terrorism threat**

	Severe (red)	severe risk
	High (orange)	high risk
	Elevated (yellow)	significant risk
	Guarded (blue)	general risk
	Low (green)	low risk

### **Shelter in place:**

Community members can shelter in place once notified of a terrorism act or anticipated activity.

### **Shelters:**

Shelters are separated into Red Cross shelters, alternate shelters, and specialty shelters. These shelter locations can be set up to gather the community for safe measures.

### **Actions for the City of Cannon Beach:**

- Activate the EOC CH/PW most appropriate location
  - Cannon Beach Police Department -CBPD, Clatsop County Sheriff, other Law Enforcement agencies-(LEA) – Unified Command
  - Activate city PIO, make announcement and community updates when necessary (City website, social media, Clatsop Alerts-Everbridge)
- Declare a city-wide Emergency *if terrorist activity significantly effects city operations or loss of life*
  - City Manager or designee to make proper notifications (Clatsop County EOC)
- Identify what type of terrorist activity (Shooting, Bombing, Intentional Mass Causality Incident-IMCI, Infrastructure sabotage, Cyber Attack, Electronic “Sonic” attack, Distraction diversion, etc.)
  - CBPD, LEA
- Identify the location of the intentional event
  - CBPD, LEA
- Establish a safe perimeter
  - CBPD and other LEA
- Evacuate the area of concern and locate any victims
  - CBPD -LEA
  - Dispatch Cannon Beach Fire Protection District, and deploy CERT, MRC and DART for possible medical assistance for victims and domestic animal injuries
- Contact Clatsop County EOC, establish communications
  - Update communications with primary and secondary methods, local and statewide resources
    - Primary – Cellular, Satellite, Internet capability, public safety radio frequencies
    - Secondary – Auxiliary communications radio frequencies, (HAM, GMRS, MRC, intranet)
- Open appropriate shelters for displaced community members, if necessary
  - Displacement, Food delivery, Information center, reunification center
    - Red Cross shelters priority (City staff, CBPD, Red Cross, CERT)
    - Specialty Equipment- Generators, Air Conditioners, Heaters, Food delivery unit etc.
    - Depending on situation activate the MRC, DART component of the volunteer teams
  - Open alternate shelters if a widespread event
    - Increased needed space or identify area for a specific need
  - Open Specialty shelter – Coaster Construction, larger needs of the community for prolonged periods of time.

- Triage city resources for logistical needs
  - Infrastructure review – CBPD, Public Works, CERT
    - Ongoing process
  - Open city survival cache site for supplies - CERT
- Update County and State on Resource Ordering Status System (ROSS) –
  - Support LEA – Oregon Military
- Establish operational period
- Define which category of terrorist event – Define each operational period
- Institute sustained Unified Command operations