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Lincoln County Citizen Corps Coordinating Council (LC5)

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Executive Summary

Our Citizen Corps, particularly the Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), has seen significant growth this year, both in numbers of participants and in the level of activity. These volunteers work tirelessly to help ensure that we have a safe community. Volunteers are involved in official responses to safety events that occur in our community. And they work hard to prepare themselves and their community by participating and coordinating various emergency drills in our county. They also serve as a significant force in helping to ensure the success of numerous emergency preparedness fairs, and they are very active in serving the community at public events, for instance, providing crowd control during parades.

CERT Teams in Lincoln County

During this period, there were seven CERT groups active in Lincoln County. This year the former Toledo CERT merged the Siletz area in to their team to form the East County CERT. A CERT program was established in the Seal Rock area and CERTs in the Waldport, Tidewater, and Yachats area were beginning to organize as the South County CERT. All of these CERT groups are listed below along with the areas that they cover. FEMA Citizen Corps requires that every CERT group has an agency sponsor and you will see these listed in the table below as well. During 2011-12, we had 308 certified adult members of CERT in our county and 124 high school students, all of whom are prepared to increase the resiliency of our communities in the event of a disaster.

CERT Chapter	Service Area	Sponsoring Agency	Members
North Lincoln County CERT	Lincoln City	North Lincoln Fire and Rescue	
Depoe Bay Fire District CERT	Depoe Bay, Lincoln Beach, Gleneden Beach, Otter Rock	Depoe Bay Fire District	
Central Coast CERT	Newport & Greater Newport Area	Newport Fire Department	
East Lincoln County CERT	Toledo and Siletz	Toledo Fire Department, Siletz Rural Fire Protection District	
Seal Rock CERT	Ona Beach, Seal Rock to Waldport North of Alsea Bay	Seal Rock Rural Fire Protection District	
South County CERT	Waldport South of Alsea Bay Tidewater	Central Oregon Coast Fire & Rescue Dist.	
Yachats CERT	South of Waldport (Corona Ct), Yachats to milepost 174	Yachats Rural Fire Protection District	
Teen CERT	Lincoln County	Lincoln County School District	

Leadership

Communication and Recruitment

Funding

Training

CERT Training at this point is in two phases.

All CERTs must first complete a 17-hour course of training over a period of several weeks. CERT Basic Training Classes provide skills in basic disaster preparedness, including operating a fire extinguisher, fire safety and utility controls, disaster medical training (both quick rescue treatment for the three main killers: opening the airway, controlling bleeding, and treating shock; and setting up for basic First Aid for multiple casualties), performing light search and rescue operations, understanding disaster psychology, and terrorism. This training is capped by a disaster simulation where CERT trainees demonstrate the skills that they have learned.

Once individuals have completed Basic Training, they may join the CERT group of their choice and participate in ongoing training events. Some CERT groups offer trainings on a monthly basis.

	NLC	DB FD	CC	EC	SR	SC	Teen
TRAINING							
Basic CERT Training classes (initial training)							
Ongoing training events (taken after one passes the Basic CERT Training class)							

Examples of the ongoing training events include the use of FRS/GMRS radios, procedures regarding Japanese tsunami debris, advanced search and rescue training in cribbing and lift/carry/drag techniques, advanced First Aid, CPR/AED training, NOAA SkyWarn Spotter training, and Red Cross shelter operations.

