



# Public Alerting Work Group

**February 15, 2022**

**Time: 10 - 11 a.m.**

**Location: Microsoft Teams**

**Microsoft Teams Meeting Information in Appointment**

**Vision Statement:** To ensure Michigan emergency management programs and broadcast partners are prepared to alert the public effectively and efficiently during crisis situations.

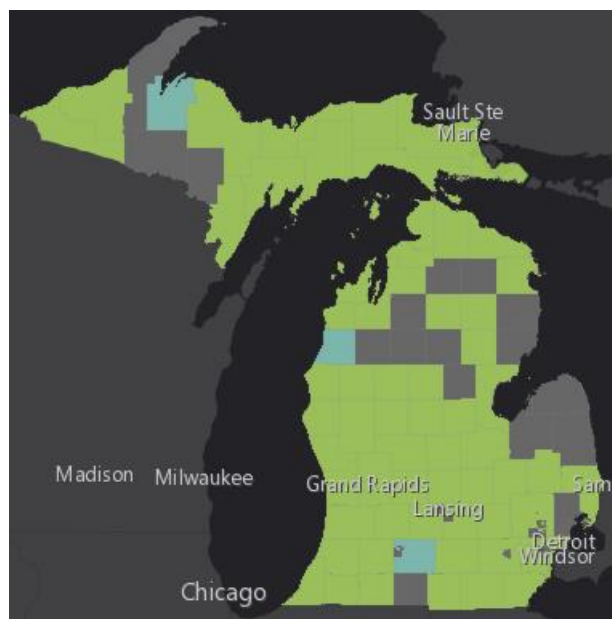
**Mission Statement:** To provide, promote, and coordinate public alerting awareness and education in support of local and state government agencies in conjunction with broadcast partners.

## Meeting Notes

10:00 Welcome and Roll Call

5 minutes

- Strategic Priorities of the Workgroup
  - Update on CodeRED Implementation – Jaclyn Barcroft
    1. Continue to work through the Authority to Operate (ATO) process.
  - Strategic Goals –Updates-Jaclyn Barcroft
    1. All Public Act 390 programs become Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) alerting authorities by December 31, 2022.
      - 72 total alerting authorities in MI
      - New: Alpena Co, Arenac Co, Saginaw Co, Oscoda Co, Ogemaw Co, Presque Isle Co, Grosse Pointe Park



10:05

50 minutes

2. All Public Act 390 programs incorporate IPAWS messaging into their Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) or as a standalone annex to the EOP.
3. Augment public alerting education for local emergency managers.

- Ron & Jaclyn presenting at 2022 Interop Conference - Tips and Tricks for Alerting the Public
- Alert and Warning Technical Assistance Workshop – March 15-16
- 4. Promote State and Local Emergency Communications Committees (LECC)/Emergency Alert System (EAS) Area meeting participation.
- 5. Develop and implement a process and procedure to review and update the Area and State EAS/IPAWS plans on a regular basis.

- State and Federal Updates

- Regional Emergency Communications Coordination Working Group (RECCWG)
  1. Region V Functional Exercise – Operation High Water rescheduled to 7/27 & 7/28
  2. CISA Hosting ESF #2 2022 Spring Training Workshop – 3/29-4/1
- Michigan Association of Broadcasters
- State Emergency Communications Committee
- National Weather Service
  1. Had a few hiccups in UP with winter storm warnings – getting to LP1s and making it through. NMU – having trouble getting a good broadcast from local weather radio transmitter. Talk with Dan Kelley – virtual meetings.
- FEMA IPAWS Office News
  1. Alert and Warning Technical Assistance Workshop – 3/15-3/16 (Orientation 3/1)
  2. IPAWS Toolkit: <https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/practitioners/integrated-public-alert-warning-system/public-safety-officials/toolkit>

- Region Updates – Primary Region Representative

- Using Reporting Template
- Region 8 – continues to discuss. Several EMs met with CodeRED. Will likely be a hybrid of CodeRED and RAVE – doing what they think is best for their counties.
- Region 7 – no report
- Region 6 – Oceana Co – EM new as of Jan 1, working to get him the training he needs.
- Region 5 – Worked with one county to update their MOA, need to update when POCs change. Another county finalized their MOA – getting close to having everyone on board. Just renewed cross-border MOU for another year. Berrien still doing live WEA test monthly.
- Region 3 – still making progress on learning, Bowers – getting duties into dispatch centers. New EM in Iosco Co, working to get his credentials. Working with Alcona Co (both have public alerting with RAVE). Mike will start talking with the thumb area.
- Region 2 – Asked about local cities/townships in Oakland Co needing to be on IPAWS. Detroit has opportunity to use Detroit alerting system. Public notification – received first weather alerting through CR a few weeks ago. Dispatch staff continues to practice. Livonia – switched over to CR. A little bit of a learning curve to get training for dispatch. Used for snow emergency. Continue to get public signing up. Nice to have WEA and use geo-fencing in city.
  1. Ron Question – have you looked at cross-border MOU between local programs?
  2. Detroit – have not done any MOUs – intend to work on it.
  3. Livonia – borders Oakland County – had to make polygon about ¼ mile south of the border to allow it to go out. Need to look into MOU.
- Region 1 – Ryan – MOA expiring soon started process to get it updated, did annual IPAWS lab training with dispatch director. Work through different processes and message style and contents. Minimizing delay. Took about an hour. Great to do annually.
  1. Region 1 Tri-County exercise – snow/ice storm. Focused on EOC process and procedure, not a ton on public alerting.
- FEMA includes ways to include public alerting into exercises (Ron)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Other Business<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Technical Challenges – Open Discussion</li></ul></li> <li>• Upcoming Meeting Schedule – Jaclyn Barcroft<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month quarterly (Feb, May, Aug, Nov)</li><li>○ Next Meeting – May 17, 2022, 10 a.m.</li></ul></li> <li>• Identify Next Steps/Action Items – Jaclyn Barcroft</li></ul>	
10:55	Final Review and Comments	5 minutes