



Tuesday, April 21st, 2015 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Teleconference

- I. OPENING BUSINESS 9:00 a.m.
- Call to Order (Robert Scher, Chairperson); Roll call: Commission members John Aho, Bud Cassidy, Ann Gravier, Laura Kelly, Robert “Buzz” Scher, and Mike West were present. Gary Carver, Mark Delozier, Rich Koehler, and Jonathan Owen were excused. April Woolery of the Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys (DGGS) was also present.
 - Introductions/Guests: None.
 - Approval of Agenda: Commissioner Cassidy moved to accept the draft agenda; West seconded. The agenda was accepted with no changes.
 - Ethics Act: No violations to report.
 - Commission Membership: members who wish to continue serving on the Commission should contact Karen Gillis at Boards and Commissions to renew.
- II. OLD BUSINESS
- Review February 12, 2015 Meeting Minutes and action items: Commissioner Cassidy moved, Gravier seconded to approve minutes. Minutes accepted with no changes. Chair will review and update the action items list for the next meeting.
 - ASHSC Policy Recommendations:
 - Update PRs 2010-1 and 2010-2: PR 2010-2 has been updated and expanded into PR 2015-1 Seismic Risk Mitigation of Future Design, Construction, and Major Renovation of Alaskan Schools. Draft review and revision is complete. Commissioner Kelly moved, Cassidy seconded to adopt the new PR. Discussion followed. All in favor: PR 2015-1 adopted. Commissioner Cassidy updated PR 2010-2, which has become PR 2015-2 Seismic Risk Mitigation of Future Design, Construction, and Major Renovation of Alaskan Schools. Discussion of this PR will be held until Commissioners have reviewed the PR.
 - PRs 2011-1 through 5 – Scher: Chairman Scher will review these with the appropriate Commissioners. They will work together on how to proceed.
 - HB 35 (Great Alaska Good Friday Earthquake Remembrance Day) – Scher/Koehler: Passed and signed into law. March 27th is now officially a day of remembrance for this event. Rich Koehler and others at the DNR added their support to help this house bill succeed. Robert Scher gave testimony to the Legislature.
 - Position Statement – Alaska Bridge/Global Earthquake Forecasting Project – West: Chairman Scher is working on a draft with Commissioner West.

Chairman Scher will contact the project coordinator and invite him to speak with the Commission.

III. COMMITTEE PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

- Schools – Kelly: Review of final report from BBFM for the Schools RVS Pilot Project. EERI (the funding source) is waiting for ASHSC approval to release it. Commissioner Gravier has secured another \$25,000 to continue with the RVS screening.
- Earthquake Scenario – Carver: Excused. Scher and Aho will complete the draft of the Kodiak scenario report.
- Hazards Identification – Koehler: Excused, no report.
- Response and Recovery – Gravier: Commissioner West gave a briefing on seismic activity in Alaska for the State Emergency Response Commission on April 10th.
- Insurance: Vacant, no report.
- Education, Outreach and Partnering – Scher: Discussed under Chair's Report.
- Chair's Report – Scher: A PDF of the Commission's Annual Report is available on the website. DNR Legislative Liaison Courtney Sanborn handed out hard copies to the legislature.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- Public Comments: None.
- Commission's Goals for 2015 – Scher: Complete the Kodiak Scenario and coordinate more RVS for schools, monitor other state seismic commissions for ideas.
- ASHSC Policy Recommendations: Forward these to the Chairman.
- Future Briefings – All: Ron Fortunato is a possibility.
- Other: None.

V. BRIEFINGS

- Alaska Earthquake Center – West: Pribilof activity unusual. Many felt events in January, 2015. Budget situation remains a challenge, but still gearing up for field season. The Earthscope Array is one-third installed.
- DGGS – Koehler: Excused, but Koehler reported to Chairman Scher that DGGS has received several requests for liquefaction hazard maps for the Mat-Su area.
- DHS&EM – Gravier: Both in Anchorage and Mat-Su areas, there is a FEMA program called Risk Map that may have generated the interest in liquefaction maps. It is an all-hazard assessment of those communities. DHS&EM has a new director, Mike O'Hare. He will begin in mid-May.
- MOA GAC Activity – Scher: They are working on ordinances for downtown Anchorage to take ground failure probabilities into account. The GAC will continue to push for those.

VI. CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS OF INTEREST

MINUTES OF THE ALASKA SEISMIC HAZARDS SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING
February 12, 2015

- 2015 WSSPC Annual Meeting; 24 April 2015, Pasadena
- 2015 National Earthquake Program Managers Annual Meeting; 6-8 May 2015; Charleston, SC <http://www.wsspc.org/programs-events/eq-program-managers/nepm-2015/>
- 111th GSA Cordilleran Section Annual Meeting; 11-13 May 2015; Anchorage <http://www.geosociety.org/Sections/cord/2015mtg/>
- 11th Canadian Conference on Earthquake Engineering; 21-24 July 2015; Victoria, BC <http://www.canadianearthquakeconference.ca/>
- 2016 Association of American State Geologists Annual Meeting; June 2016; Fairbanks http://www.stategeologists.org/upcoming_meetings.php?id=251

VII. CLOSING BUSINESS

- Critical Deadlines: Discussed above.
- Administrative Matters
 - Budget Report (FY15) – Woolery: Currently \$6,572
- Next Meeting: May 11-12, 2015 in Anchorage.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Gravier moved, Cassidy seconded, to adjourn. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.