

Emergency Program

Quadra Island Emergency Program

Rural Islands Economic Partnership Connection Café



Primary Hazards in BC

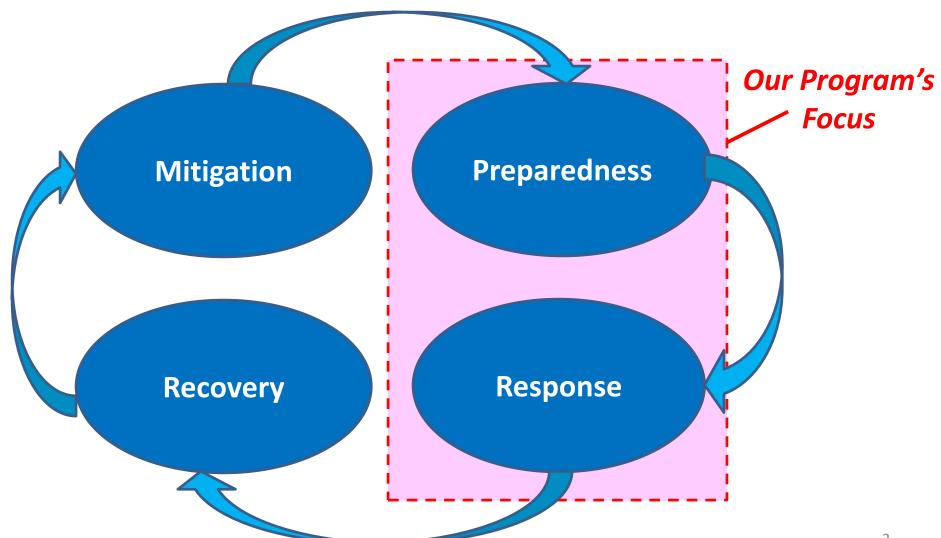
- Earthquake
 - Tsunami
 - Volcanic Eruption
- Wildfire
- Flood
- Drought
- Severe Weather

Storm Surge

- Hazardous Material Event
- Oil Spill
- Dam Breach
- Pandemic
- Terrorism

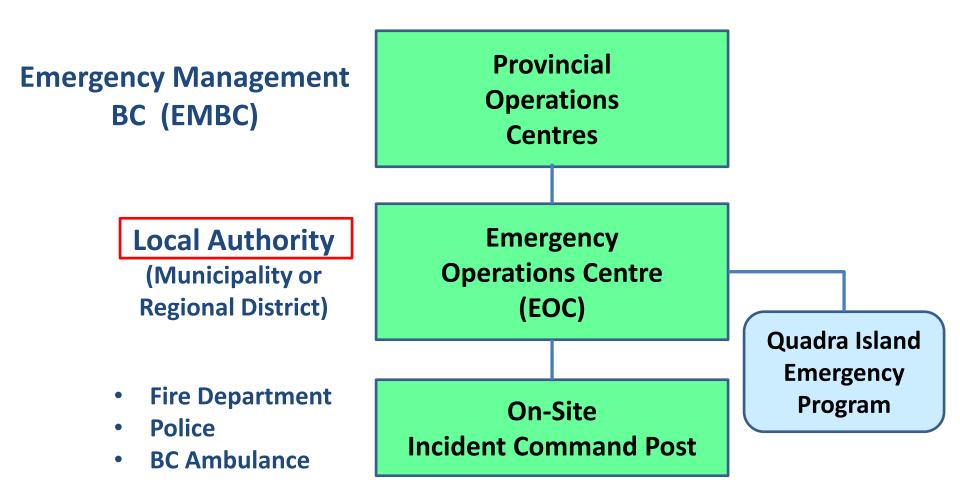


Phases of Emergency Management





Emergency Management in BC





Typical Emergency Operations Centre

Emergency Program





Quadra Emergency Program

• Established under Strathcona Regional District

Quadra Island Emergency Program				
Department Operations Centre (DOC)	Work with the Regional District and the Province to coordinate response to an emergency or disaster			
Emergency Support Services (ESS)	Provide immediate support to persons forced from their homes by fire, floods, earthquakes, etc.			
Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness Program (NEPP)	Help individuals and neighbourhoods prepare for emergencies, and be more resilient in a disaster			
Emergency Communications	Amateur (ham) radio operators, providing communications in the event of an emergency or disaster			



Quadra Island Emergency Program Current Membership

- Program started in 2007
 - Grew to 100 members within 3 years
- Current membership:
 - 94 ESS Volunteers ("Public Safety Lifeline Volunteers")
 - 64 NEPP Representatives covering 33 neighbourhoods
 - 32 Ham Radio operators

Out of a population of about 2,700



ESS Reception Centre

Emergency Program



- Safe gathering place for people displaced or evacuated from their homes in an emergency
- Individuals can register and receive Emergency Support Services, and information about the emergency
- **Referrals** made for food, lodging, clothing, etc., based on need
 - Typically for 72 hour period



ESS Group Lodging

• Public facility adapted for dormitory-style emergency accommodation for large numbers of people



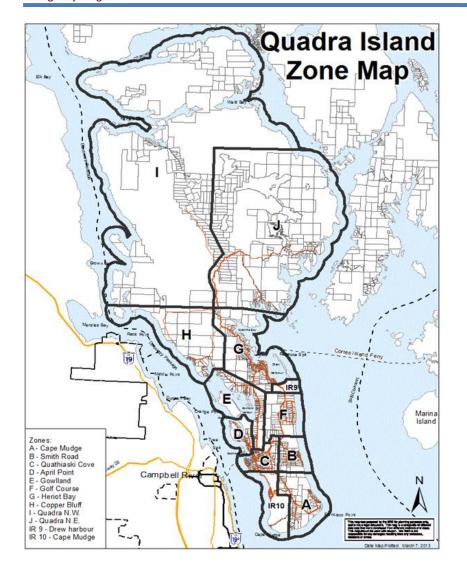


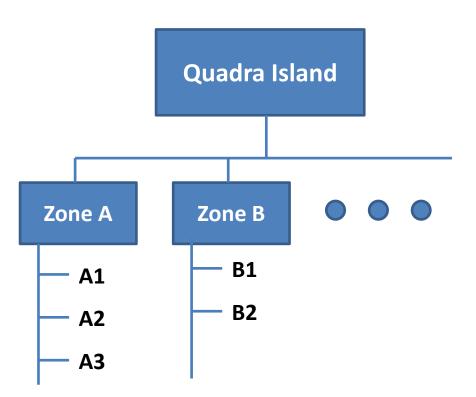
Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness Program (NEPP)

- Promote individual preparedness
- Liaison between the Emergency Program and the neighbourhood
- Identify useful emergency resources in the neighbourhood (medical, communication, etc)
- Promote resiliency and self-sufficiency of the <u>neighbourhood</u> in an emergency



Quadra Zones & Neighbourhoods







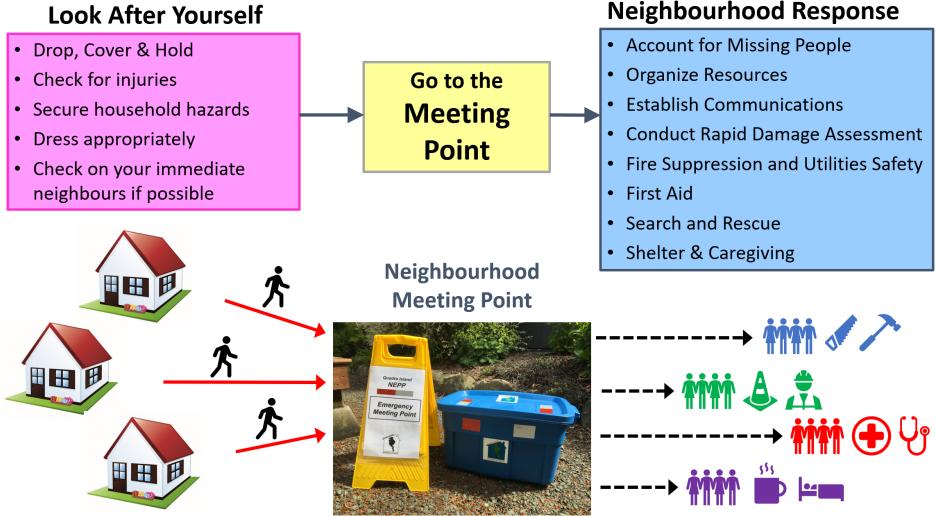
Should you stay or should you go?





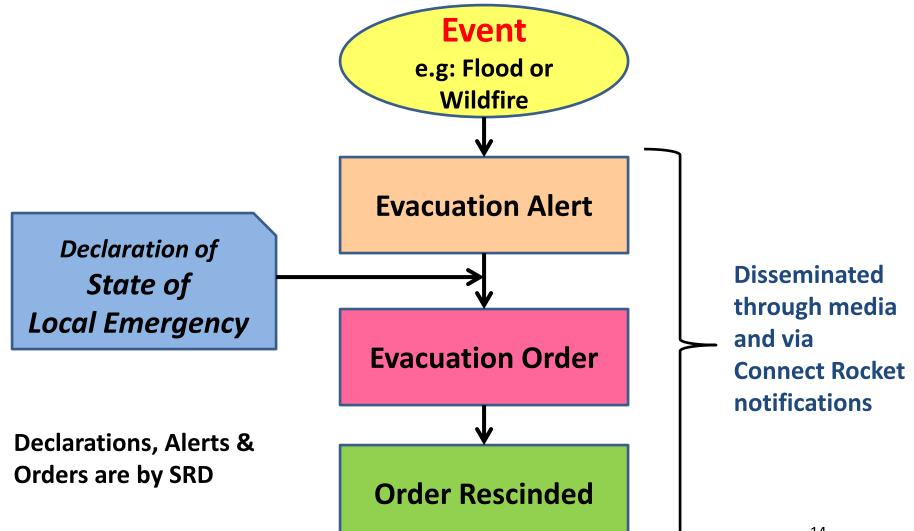
Earthquake -

Neighbourhood Meeting Point





Progression of an Evacuation





Quadra Island

Wildfire Response Matrix

Phase	DOC	ESS	NEPP	Public
Pre-Alert				
Evacuation Alert		, act	ions & priorities	
Evacuation Order		Expected u		
Evacuation Order Rescinded				





Growing your NEPP

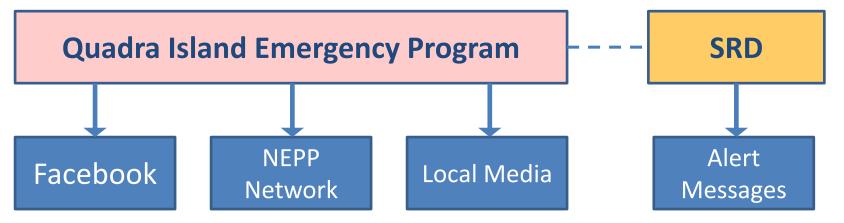
Capability Growth	Conduct Response Exercises	
	Integrate Response Activities with Emergency Program	
	Conduct Local Risk Reduction	Grow
	Establish Neighbourhood Response Plan	oturity
	Establish Neighbourhood Phone Tree & Meeting Point	N
	Distribute Preparedness Info	

Geographic Growth (more neighbourhoods)



Public Information Role

- Provide relevant, accurate info during an emergency
- Provide useful "non-emergency" information
 - Severe weather alerts, power outage, road closure information
 - Pandemic information





Collaboration and Other Initiatives

- ESS has supplier agreements in place with local businesses
- Membership in our local Chamber of Commerce
- Emergency Program volunteers can be found in every non-profit and community group on Quadra
- We are currently helping the Justice Institute of BC pilot an on-line *Community Disaster Resilience Planning (CDRP)* tool
 - Available: <u>https://cdrp.jibc.ca/</u>