



BRIEFING

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SUBJECT:	New Development and Updates on the Emergency Management Department
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The Emergency Management Department is working very closely with Indigenous Service Canada to get new equipment for developing an emergency operation centre and creating a reception centre available to all first nation communities during emergencies. There are no set dates on when there will be an agreement for funding with Indigenous Service Canada.

The emergency department also has submitted two applications to the Union of British Columbia municipality for \$30,000 for equipment for the development of the reception center, such as equipment: folding cots, beds, blankets, and food. Pending and waiting for agreement from UBCM for funding.

The emergency management department is working with a consulting firm in the southwest region of British Columbia to develop a fire-smart funding proposal. We are currently eligible for \$200,000, and the proposal will be submitted before the August 31st, 2023, deadline. The \$200,000 will contain an exterior home assessment, the development of a Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan and job opportunities within the emergency management department.

A new emergency plan has been created and awaiting approval from all department and government officials—no set date for the release of the emergency plan.

Splatsin is currently in negotiations with Canadian Red Cross for assistance during emergencies. The agreement would entail that Canadian Red Cross will support during emergencies and setting up reception centres.

New bylaws are being built with the hopes of having them implemented and enforced by 2024 to increase public safety and compliance on reserve.

The emergency management department is reviewing and making amendments to the previous evacuation plan, hoping that the evacuation plan will go to the chief and council and have approval by early 2024.

The emergency management department has identified that the fee for the fire service agreement is up for renewal and that the negotiation will begin at the end of 2023 and early start of 2024 for fire protection.

If you have any questions regarding the information, please do not hesitate to contact **David Formentini** at **emc@splatsin.ca**.