



Status of Teton County Commissioners' Priorities

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In early 2015, the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) established a list of priority projects and initiatives. This list continues to evolve as projects get completed and county needs change. We will update this list periodically to keep the public informed of the current work the BoCC is engaged in.

Emergency Management, Ambulance Service District

[Emergency Management](#) - The BoCC is actively engaged in emergency planning and preparedness. Teton County has an Emergency Management Coordinator who ensures that we have the capability to deal with potential emergencies in our area. The County recently hosted a drill with 14 partnering agencies that tested emergency response efforts for a potential major winter storm. In June, Teton County will also participate with our regional health district in the national Cascadia Rising exercise simulating a massive earthquake and tsunami affecting Washington and Oregon. We will practice setting up the regional mass care sheltering supplies in Driggs. For more information on upcoming drills visit:

<http://www.tetoncountyidaho.gov/department.php?deptID=11&menuID=1>

Ambulance Service District - The County Commissioners also serve as the Board of Directors for the Ambulance Service District (ASD). For the past several years, the ASD has contracted with the Teton Valley Health Care (the hospital) to run the County's ambulance service. The hospital in turn had an agreement with the Teton County Fire Protection District (Fire District) to staff and operate two out of the three County ambulances. Because of the cost and redundancies in this scenario, the ASD decided to contract directly with the Fire District to operate all three ambulances. The transition of all ambulance service to the Fire District is expected to occur on August 1st and will result in an annual savings of approximately \$500,000.