



Building Resilient Communities Conference 2025

Building Bridges

Penticton Trade and Convention Center, **November 25 - 28, 2025**

Tuesday , November 25, 2025

**Pre Conference Training Day &
Early Conference Registration (08:30-16:30)**

08:30				
09:00	Emergency Operations Centre Practical Training Pt 1 EOC Practical Skills & Tools	Wellness Centred Emergency Management Training Pt 1 Cultivating Safe Spaces: Wellness Centred Emergency Management Salon C	Business Continuity Training Building Resilience: Business Continuity Planning for Local Governments Salon B	Community Recovery Experience & Tour 10:00am to 17:00pm Off-site (9:30am P/U at the SOEC)
10:30	Coffee Break			
10:45	Training Continued....	Training continued.....	Training Continued.....	
12:00	Lunch Break			
13:00	Emergency Operations Centre Practical Training Pt 2 Team Exercise	Wellness Centred Emergency Management Training Pt 2 Re-Energizing an Exhausted EOC Team and Reducing Burnout	Training Continued....	
14:30	Coffee Break			
14:45	Exercise Continued.....	Training Continued.....	Training Continued....	
16:45	Welcome Reception in the Foyer			

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

Continental Breakfast Available 07:45 - 08:30
Registration Table Open (08:00–16:00)

08:00 **EM Navigator Rm 1-2-3**

08:30 **BRC Conference Opening Session Salon A**

09:10 Role of Witness in Indigenous Engagement Case Studies for Iterative Initiatives, Reflective Practices and Place-based Storytelling
Salon A

09:55 **Coffee Break w Exhibitors**

10:30	Building Your Relationships Now, Before You Need Them Rm 6-7	Provide for the Health and Safety of Responders, are we? Salon B	Haisla Nation Firehall: Culture, collaboration and Community Resilience Salon C	Business Impact Analysis (BIA) Salon A	Navigating Recovery in BC: A Guide for Emergency Managers Rm 1-2-3
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11:15 **Transition Break**

11:20	Fostering Resilience in Our Communities:envisioning the future, mentoring young professionals Rm 6-7	Evidence-based, Best Practices for Building Resilience & Psychosocial Support for Wildfire Response. Salon B	Rural Realities: readiness, response, recovery, and resilience in the Venables Valley Salon C	Local Government perspective on BCP - Moderated Discussion Rm 1-2-3	Communicating Complexity Through Documentary Film Salon A
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12:05 **Lunch in Exhibitor Hall**

13:15 Plenary Session - Decoding the Forecast: Behind the Scenes of Weather Prediction and Colour-Coded Alerts (ECCC) **Salon A**

14:00 **Transition Break**

14:10	National Earthquake Early Warning System for the Reduction of Earthquake Risk in Canadian Communities Rm 6-7	Health Canada's Decompression Program Salon B	Collaborative Risk Reduction: Connecting Communities in the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George Salon C	One Region Working Together – Emergency Management Partnerships in Action Salon A	Building Resilient Communities: A Guide to Pre-Disaster Recovery Planning Rm 1-2-3
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14:55 **Coffee Break**

15:10	Round Table Rm 6-7	Round Table Salon B	Round Table Salon C	Round Table Salon A	Round Table Rm 1-2-3
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16:15 **Networking Reception in Exhibitor Hall**

Thursday November 27, 2025

Continental Breakfast Available 07:45 - 08:30

08:00 **EM Navigator Rm 1-2-3**

08:30 **Conference Daily Opening Salon A**

08:40 The British Columbia Disaster and Climate Risk and Resilience Assessment (DCRRA - EMCR) **Salon A**

09:25 Youth Perspective Session - PIB **Salon A**

09:35 **Transition Break**

09:40	Bridging the Gap— Empowering Community Voices for Unified Emergency Management Salon B	Towards a more inclusive and measurable public engagement strategy: a collaborative project between researchers and practitioners Rm 6-7	The Rural Resilience Initiative – How Community Futures BC is Building Economic Resilience Salon C	Systemic Risk Assessment: A Beauty or a Beast? Rm 1-2-3	Exploring Temporary Pass Systems / Agriculture Support Tools- Salon A
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10:25 **Coffee Break w Exhibitors**

11:00	Professional Identity Formation in Emergency Managers Salon B	GIS Solutions for Situational Awareness Rm 6-7	Skw'ax te Secwepem-cu'lecw: Best Practices and Lessons Learned from the 2023 Bush Creek East Wildfire Salon C	A deep dive into hazards at a community scale: a case study for the City of Nanaimo Rm 1-2-3	Public Safety Power Shut-off; a Utility's Last Line of Defence Salon A
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11:45 **Lunch Exhibitor Hall**

13:00	Bridging the Communications Gap Salon B	Mobile and Aerial Solutions for Field Data Collection Rm 6-7	PRIME - Partnerships for Resilient Indigenous and Municipal Emergency Management Salon C	Community Perspectives on Risk Rm 1-2-3	Bridging the Gap: How Incident Management Teams Collaborate with Communities in Times of Crisis Salon A
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13:45 **Break (Last chance to visit the Exhibitors)**

14:00 Advancing Risk Reduction in BC: From Silos to Systems Through Relationship-Centered Governance **Salon A**

14:45 Multijurisdictional Emergency Management Organization (MJEMO) Implementation - Technical Advisory Team **Salon A**

15:30 **Coffee Break**

15:45	Round Table Salon B	Round Table Rm 6-7	Round Table Salon C	Round Table Rm 1-2-3	Round Table Salon A
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Friday, November 28, 2025

Continental Breakfast Available 07:45 - 08:30

08:00 **EM Navigator Rm 1-2-3**

08:30 **Daily Opening Salon A**

08:40 **EMCR - What we Heard Salon A**

09:30 **Coffee Break in Foyer**

10:00 **Fireside Chat - Facilitated Discussion Salon A**

10:45 **Conference Closing Remarks Salon A**

11:30 **Lunch in Foyer (or take to go)**

12:30 **Breakout Rooms Available for Unscheduled Time and Networking**