Pacific NorthWest Border Health Alliance (PNWBHA)

Looking Back: 2004-2012

2004

Emerging Public Health Threats:
Tracking Infectious Disease Across Borders

Northwest Border Arrangement Between the Province of British Columbia Ministry of Forests and USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest and Northern Regions; National Park Service, Pacific West and Intermountain Regions; Bureau of Land Management, Oregon/Washington and Idaho.

The purpose of this 2004 arrangement is to provide a framework under which fire management resources may be exchanged to allow for cooperative fire suppression along the US and British Columbia border.

2005

Emerging Public Health Threats:
Pandemic Influenza Preparedness – A Public Health Perspective"

Emerging Public Health Threats:
Building Cross Border Infectious Disease Surveillance and Response Partnerships"

Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement (PNEMA)

- An arrangement between Alaska, British Columbia, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Yukon with respect to the provision of mutual assistance.
- Public Health Emergencies MOU

2006

Cross Border Public Health Collaboration:
Opportunities and Challenges

- Letter of Intent Between the United States, Mexico and Canada to Assist One Another During a Public Health Emergency
- A trilateral declaration to assist one another during a public health emergency and to cooperate in the improvement of public health emergency preparedness and response efforts, including health security, border health, epidemiological investigation, laboratory testing and infectious disease control.

2007

Cross Border Public Health Collaboration:
Mass Gatherings and Major Events

- Developed an operational plan, Sharing Health Care Providers and Resources across the Washington and British Columbia Border, to guide the movement and use of health professionals and resources across the border during an emergency.
- Pacific NorthWest Border Health Alliance (PNWBHA)

2008

Public Health Resiliency:
A Collaborative Challenge

Signed three (?) cross-border public health preparedness and response agreements with our public health colleagues in British Columbia and other Pacific Northwest states to enhance regional response to public health emergencies:

- British Columbia/Washington Epidemiology Sharing MOU
- Operational Plan for Moving Emergency Medical Staff and Resources Across the Washington and British Columbia Border
- ???

2009

Public Health Collaboration:
Global Challenges, Regional Solutions

- British Columbia/Washington Public Health Laboratory Surge / Memorandum to Provide Mutual Aid Through Sharing Public Health Laboratory Services (Not sure if these are the same thing, or which is the correct title if they are.)

2010

The Health Impacts of Disasters:
Infectious Diseases and Beyond

British Columbia Tripartite Framework Agreement on First Nations Health Governance
An agreement between the federal and provincial governments and BC First Nations to develop a Health Partnership Accord that will capture the vision of the Parties for a better, more responsive and integrated system for First Nations in British Columbia.

2011

Seismic Events:
Health Impacts, Consequences and Preparedness

Epidemiology & Surveillance Workgroup responded to a multijurisdictional communicable disease event—pertussis in tribal longhouses on the Canadian/US border. (This is something I took from last year's cross border report—I couldn't find anything else.)

2012