

**Local Emergency Planning Committee**

**Applicant Package - Regular Member**

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**Term:**01 Jan 2023 - 31 Dec 2024

**Positions Available:** 1

**Number of applicants in this package:** 1

- Harrison, John

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**Board Name** :Local Emergency Planning Committee

**Daytime Phone** : :719-660-7436

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**Is your mailing address different than your physical address? :**

No

**How long have you been a city resident? :**Since 1987 City-County

**In which ward do you reside? :**

N/A

**Are you registered to vote? :**

Yes

**Current Occupation** :Federal Disaster Recovery Officer

**Current Employer** :Federal Emergency Management Agency

**Briefly describe your educational background** :BS, MPS, MS

**List of community service experience :**

Over three decades of public service to the nation and communities thru military service, law enforcement, and emergency management

**What is your interest in serving on this board, commission or committee? :**

Provide sage advice on emergency preparedness, response, and recovery

**What special knowledge, interest, or experience do you possess that would qualify you for a position on this board commission, or committee? :**

See resume....Incident Command System 300 and 400 certified and assistant ICS instructor etc.; can provide details list of emergency management training and deployment experience

**Reference 1 Name** :Mark Shrives

**Reference 2 Name** :Tom Lingle

**Time of Submission** :11/17/22 5:39:06 PM

**Attachments:**

- Resume One Page, Harrison 11.2022.pdf

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### **SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS**

- FEMA-NEMAA trained Emergency Manager with experience at local, state, and national levels
  - Senior (Colonel) U.S. Army Strategist<sup>i</sup> and combat veteran with vast experience leading and mentoring in demanding assignments around the globe to produce results for the nation
  - Extensive experience in strategic planning, operations management, programming, and readiness
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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

February 2020 – current

**Emergency Manager, Federal Disaster Recovery Officer**, *Federal Emergency Management Agency*, Washington D.C./Missoula, MT

FDRO leads federal recovery support function coordination with state, territorial, tribal, and local governments and communities for major disasters or emergencies declared by the President

September to December 2019

**Adjunct Professor, Emergency Management**, *Salish Kootenai College*, Pablo MT

Emergency Services program undergraduate instructor at a private Native American tribal college in Montana

November 2017 to September 2019

**Emergency Planning & Preparedness Manager**, *Montana Department of Corrections*, Helena, MT

Responsible for all-hazard emergency preparedness, response, and recovery planning and operations to ensure public safety and seamless security of a state's corrections enterprise; LEPC member Powell County

2001 to 2016

**Military Officer, Colonel**, *U.S. Army*, various locations CONUS and OCONUS

Senior U.S. Army Infantry and Strategic Plans & Policy officer with over 25 years of military service leading and mentoring professionals in demanding military assignments; successfully managed complex programs and crisis problem solving in Joint, Intergovernmental, Interagency and Multi-National environments in twenty-two countries on four continents; served in key senior National Defense positions and enjoyed the trust and confidence of the most senior executives in the Department of Defense entrusted to protect the United States

1997-2001

**Police Officer**, *City of Missoula*, Patrol and SWAT officer, POST Intermediate Certification (2001)

1989 to 2001

**Citizen Soldier** *MTARNG* Infantry/Cavalry Commander, staff officer, and counterdrug liaison officer

1983-1987

**Infantry Paratrooper**, *U.S. Army*, Fort Benning, GA, Vicenza Italy and Fort Bragg, NC

### **CIVILIAN EDUCATION**

- 2019 FEMA National Emergency Management Advanced Academy (NEMAA)
- 2011 Masters of Strategic Studies, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, PA<sup>ii</sup>
- 1998 Masters of Public Administration, University of Montana, Missoula, MT
- 1997 Montana Law Enforcement Academy POST Basic, Helena, MT
- 1992 Bachelors of Science, University of Montana, Missoula, MT
- 1987 Emergency Medical Technician, Fayetteville Technical Institute, Fayetteville, NC

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<sup>i</sup> Strategic Plans & Policy officers (Army Functional Area 59) lead multidisciplinary groups and facilitate senior leader decision making by assessing, developing, and articulating policy, strategy, and plans at the national and theater levels. Through specialized education, training, and experience, Strategists integrate U.S. instruments of power across the Army, DOD, and throughout the JIIM (Joint, Intergovernmental, Interagency, Multi-National) environment. An FA 59 is the “go to” leader to organize, design, guide, and direct multidisciplinary, Joint, and coalition teams dealing with complex, unstructured (“blank sheet of paper”) problems. Additionally, FA 59s provide extensive experience and understanding of operations and national security processes, leverage strong networks across the Army, Joint Force, and Interagency, and provide clear, simple products to translate the Commander’s vision into action by leading planning efforts or allow senior leaders to make a fully informed decision

<sup>ii</sup> The U.S. Army War College is the Army's top executive leadership school; it grants a Master of Strategic Studies degree to senior military and civilian leaders who complete the requirements of its course: strategic leadership, history, international relations, national security policy and strategy, operations management, problems solving, resource management, and responsible command. It is one of four war colleges in the country—the Navy and Air Force have one apiece, and the Pentagon directly operates the National War College as part of the National Defense University system. War colleges are the top finishing schools for military minds, and the Army handpicks the approximately 340 students who attend each year. The student body is multi-service and includes civilians from DoD and other departments and agencies such as State Department, and National Security Agencies, along with about 40 senior officers from foreign countries such as Saudi Arabia, Estonia, Israel, and New Zealand. Since it was founded in 1901, the Army War College has had some notable graduates, such as President Dwight D. Eisenhower and Secretary of State Collin Powell.