Initial Response

- 1045 hrs – Initial dispatch for flooding road and barn across roadway
- 1058 hrs – SAR helicopter requested
- 1101 hrs – Navy helicopter requested
- 1107 hrs – Evacuation upstream and downstream requested
- 1126 hrs – Type 3 IMT requested
Initial Response

Multiple auto and mutual aid units requested
Multiple Airlift NW helicopters to Arlington
EMS Strike Team from Zone 12
EMS Strike Team from Zone 11 (Medic 13)
Technical Rescue 3rd Alarm (TR21)
EOC - Activated
Urban Task Force from Zone 9 (E16, E14, E24, M10, M22, B11)
NWIMT requested from DEM
Objectives

• Provide for the safety and health of all deployed personnel
• Conduct Rescue Operations
• Maintain Interoperable Communications
• Continue Recovery Operations with Dignity and Respect Provided to Recovered Loved Ones
• Provide Financial Updates
• Document Search and Recovery Effort
• Provide Support to the JIC as Requested
Challenges

- Political
- Media
- Cost driving decisions
- Inability to communicate leader’s intent across the entire organization
  - Intent = Purpose + Method + End State
  - Purpose – Why the assignment needs to be done
  - Method – How the assignment is accomplished
  - End State – What the finished product looks like if successfully completed
- Caring for Families
  - Shelters
  - Chaplains
  - Red Cross
  - Information
  - Volunteerism
Darrington Perspective

INITIAL RESPONSE

• Access to the slide area
• East Mutual Aid Issues – Skagit County Responders
• Arlington Command – Release concerns
• Rising water
• Freelancing
• Policing
• Trust
• IMT – Interface
• Resource Allocation
Darrington Perspective

ORGANIZATION

- East/West Communications and planning
- Building Trust – Public meetings nightly
- Control / EOC
- Infrastructure
- Logistics
- Reconfiguring Structure
- Documentation
Impressive

- Interagency Cooperation
- Community Support
- Volunteers
- Responders
- IST – USAR
- National Guard
- CISM
Do Overs

- State Mobilization Plan
- Organizational Structure (Darrington)
- Communications – Top down – Bottom up
- Resource Requests
- Type III – Type II Transition Capabilities
- Operational Coordination
- Resource Tracking
- Documentation