

Local Emergency Planning Committee
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Minutes

Meeting Wednesday – February 20, 2019 **Time** 9:00 – 10:30

Meeting: Spokane Co. Fire Dist. 9 - 3801 E. Farwell Rd., Mead – Conference Room

Attendees: Mitch Metzger, Tim Archer, Sharon Colby, Ron Dowers, Bryce Robbert, Cody Rohrbach, Laura Sliger, Mike McCain, Mark Stephens, Frank Cejka, Tyler Rabold, Derik Eberlien, Greg Riddell, Summer Rose, Laurie Nisbet, Rory McKinnon.

Chair Mitch Metzger

Commodity Flow Subcommittee tour of the Spokane Regional Traffic Management Center

Mike Ulrich, LEPC Chair, Sharon Colby, Tim Archer, Chandra Fox, and Gerry Bozarth toured the facility and discussed the goals of the Commodity Flow Study. It appears their cameras do not have the resolution necessary to capture Hazardous Material placards on vehicles transiting the roadways. In the future, we'll see if there may be anyway the LEPC can partner with SRTMC to help make our community safer.

The Chair will try to attend the February Colfax LEPC meeting depending on weather.

Field Trips? Rotating LEPC Meetings at Agency or Company Offices?

March – Gerry will check with LEPC members to see if anyone wants to host upcoming monthly meetings.

Spring Environmental has generously offered their conference room with the only drawback being a lack of parking. Parking for LEPC members is important based on vehicles/trucks many Fire Departments, Cities Departments, and companies drive. This will continue to be a driving factor in locations for the LEPC meetings.

Updates on old business:

Can we arrange to have Hazmat incidents detailed to the LEPC at meetings? Mitch will keep attempting to have SFD send a representative to the LEPC.

The Chair is still working on this issue.

Sharon proposed that we interact with surrounding LEPC's networking - possible newsletter, and maybe a yearly meeting in Spokane.

This is still being considered.

Around the Table Issues or Information of Interest

Elected Officials – Sharon Colby, Mike Fagan

State Officials – Mark Stephens, Mike McCain, Pete Hartmann, Mike Stephens

Toured the Rodda Paint Fire in Spokane Valley, Ecology is encouraged by the mitigation measures.

HAMMER Conf. April 5-7th. Response partners welcome to apply. Contact Pete Hartmann for details.

Law Enforcement – Jeff Sevigney (WSP) – *Greg Riddell reported no Hazmat Incidents recently but the weather has been very challenging for drivers which has led to a large increase in accidents.*

Emergency Management – Gerry Bozarth

Our office is beginning EMAP which is an accreditation process for EM Programs. Gerry will keep LEPC informed of needs during this process. Gerry also toured the Rodda Paint Fire aftermath. The District manager has sent an email detailing the companies involved in clean up and restoration.

Beginning the yearly update of ESF10.

Hospitals – Laura Sliger *WA DOE grant opportunity for technical assistance in the hazardous waste program. Gerry has forwarded details of this opportunity to the LEPC.*

Water Resources - Shane Sheppard, Kelly Williquette, Todd Henry

Transportation – Mike Toole

Fire Services – Cody Rohrbach *discussed the progress of the Combined Dispatch for 911 services, it's not known if the City of Spokane will eventually partner with the entities involved. The proposed model is 42% less expensive than service currently provided.*

Media – Vacant

Health – Summer Rose - SRHD will be exercising the pediatric medical – surge capability in May with at least 25% of the participants children. They will also be practicing the distribution of medical countermeasures to providers that would be involved.

1st Aid/EMS – Vacant

Community Groups - Looking for representative
Frank/Red Cross reported that they've had 20 incidents in February helping homeowners after fires.

Facilities & Pipelines – Chris Church, Ron Dowers, Amy Smith
Ron reports that it's somewhat slower at Waste to Energy during winter so they are replacing cranes one at a time.

