Clark County Local Emergency Planning Committee



CLARK COUNTY FIRE ADMINISTRATION TELECONFERENCE

DRAFT Minutes November 12, 2025 9:00 A.M.

LEPC ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS' PRESENT:

Brian O'Neal, Ana Chavez, Gary Stevenson, Jeremy Hynds, Brian Arboreen, David Milewski, Alejandro Rodriguez, Harriett Vegas, Carolyn Levering, Diana Clarkson, Misty Robinson, Jason Manzo, Bowdie Young, William West, Kathryn Foxworthy, Louise Hardy, Lucas Basham Murphy, Nina Perez-Payumo, Tori Begay, Melanie Rouse, Karen Donnahie.

ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Jonathan Bezrutczyk, Ben Erickson, Skye Dunfield, Michael Atherall, Jose Suarez, Lelan Merel, Macy Campbell, Jeff Hahn, Josie Ross, David Greer, Robert Palumbo, Andrew Roth.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Randy Willbanks, Jonathan Boucher, Michael Smith, Dean Hennesy, Misty Richardson, Greg Chesser, Jayson Andrus, Brenda Pappas, Corey Ross, Warren Hull, Ortary Davila, Lori Mack, Andrew Bennett, Judy Lopez, Daniel Berc, Karen Beckley, Brian Mitchell, John Turner, Bryan Ostaszewski, Lowel Smith.

I. Call to Order

The Chaiman Brian O'Neal called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, November 12, 2025.

II. Roll Call

Quorum Present.

III. Public Comments

None.

IV. Comments from the Chair

The Chair stated that for 2026 we will start a lithium battery working group that will be composed of public safety and some industry individuals; the membership will evolve as the group moves forward, if anyone would like to participate is asked to contact him directly and David Martin-Vaquero. We will start to assemble this membership list over the next couple of months and will identify a chair at a future meeting, we will push it for early 2026, since this has come to emerge as one of our biggest threats in our community and one that is continually evolving. This group will focus on staying up to date on that technology.

V. *Review and approve of the 08/13/2025 Meeting Minutes

Carolyn Levering requested Chief Randy Willbanks name to be corrected, also item VII letter G it reads like Chief Willbanks belongs to CCFD, the word announced was added to clarify it.

Motion to approve the 08/13/2025 meeting minutes, as amended, by Carolyn Levering, seconded by Jeremy Hynds, no further discussion, **motion carried**.

VI. Membership Updates

The Chair addressed the roll call and how some individuals were called but have not been participating, urged any agency that needs to have membership updates in the roster to contact him and/or David Martin-Vaquero. Invited anyone that would like to participate and be a part of the group to let us know as well.

Jeremy Hynds suggested reaching out directly to the individuals since some have been in the group for over four years and new individuals might not even know about it.

The Chair continued to encourage anyone in the group that would like to do a presentation about their agency and what they are bringing into the valley and how that looks like, we will add it as an item number to our agenda.

VII. *Review and approve 25-26 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

Gary Stevenson reminded everyone that after the last meeting we sent out the 25-26 Hazmat plan and some superficial changes were made like changing a phone number, removing Desert Springs from the hospital list. The Hazmat plan was sent out again as an attachment to the invitation for this meeting, since then one more change was done, that was the Chairman to the LEPC, it previously had Chief Samuels, but since Chief O'Neal took over for Chief Samuels, it was changed to that from the August email, everyone received. Those were the only three changes

that were made to the file/document that was sent out.

Kathryn Foxworthy intervened and expressed that they submitted changes to their 24hr contact number that were not included in the final draft.

Gary Stevenson explained that the changes to the 24hr contact number for NDEP were also made but maybe the draft included in the invitation didn't have all the final changes, but it was changed.

Motion to approve the 25-26 Hazardous Material Emergency Response Plan by Ben Erickson, seconded by Jeff Hahn, no further discussion, **motion carried**.

VIII. LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING SUBCOMMITTE REPORTS

- **a.** Plans Administration Subcommittee
 Gary Stevenson expressed that we just approved the new plan, other than that nothing to report.
- **b.** Training and Exercise Subcommittee
 Gary Stevenson shared with the group that 24 members of the Southern Nevada Fire Departments were trained in the FRO as my IQ First Responder Offensive training that allows these members to go back to their corresponding agencies and provide this training to their membership and allow them to make decisions based upon their risk benefit model, several walk throughs and exercises have been done as well.
- c. Grants Subcommittee
 David Martin-Vaquero reminded the agencies that applied for the
 SERC -OPTE or United We Stand grants that we have until April-May
 to submit for reimbursement.
- **d.** Public Information Subcommittee Nothing to report.
- **e.** Legislative Subcommittee Nothing to report.
- **f.** GIS Subcommittee Nothing to report.
- **g.** Specialized Response Subcommittee Nothing to report.

SPECIAL REPORTS & WORKING GROUPS

- Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) Nothing to report.
- **b.** Nuclear Waste Division Yucca Mountain Update Nothing to report.
- **c.** Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Nothing to report.
- d. Regional Working Groups

1. AIR

It was discussed that this group needs a new chair. Jeremy Hynds stated that he is working on getting the calendar up to date and a series of hazmat video shoots, training for the crews next year. City of Las Vegas will have some training in the first quarter next year.

2. BEIR

Nothing to report.

3. NIR

Nothing to report.

4. CAER

Gary Stevenson stated that this group has done exercises down in the Henderson area, Olin being the most recent. The reason for their absence today might be due to two walks scheduled for today, Gary continued saying this group is extremely well formed and active.

IX. Public Comments

No comments.

Next Regularly Scheduled LEPC Meeting: February 11, 2026, at 9:00 AM hybrid meeting via Teams or in-person at the Clark County MACC, 2nd floor Clark County Fire Administration, 575 E Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89119.

X. Adjournment

Motion by Ben Erickson: <u>To adjourn the meeting</u>. Second, Gary Stevenson, no discussion, motion carried. **Meeting adjourned**.