

CLARK COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE



CLARK COUNTY FIRE ADMINISTRATION TELECONFERENCE

2026 Q2 MEETING MINUTES **DRAFT**

May 13, 2026

9:00 AM

LEPC ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS' PRESENT:

Brian O'Neal, Ana Chavez, Gary Stevenson, Randy Willbanks, Jeremy Hynds, David Milewski, Alejandro Rodriguez, Harriett Vegas, Jana Valerie Andrion, Richard Simmons, Diana Clarkson, Greg Chesser, Skye Dunfield, Misty Robinson, Jason Manzo, Louise Hardy, Daniel Berc, Lucas Basham Murphy, Nina Perez-Payumo, Brian Mitchell, Tori Begay, Melanie Rouse, Karen Donnahie, John Turner.

ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Alex Lowell, Ben Erickson, Jason Yelle, Cheryl Nagy, Michelle Thackston, Josie Ross, Terran Leavitt, Michael Atherall, Jeremy Crawford, Lelan Merel, Jeff Hanh, Robert Palumbo, Vinson Valdez, Dwayne Privott, Andrew Roth, Diane Orgill.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Brian Arboreen, Bill Hart, Michael Smith, Carolyn Levering, Jayson Andrus, Corey Ross, Toni Barnes, Ortary Davila, Yuri Graves, Bowdie Young, Nicole White, Andrew Bennett, William West, Judy Lopez, Kathryn Foxworthy, Karen Beckley, John Steinbeck, Lowel Smith.

I. Call to Order

The Chairman Brian O'Neal called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, May 13, 2026.

II. Roll Call

Quorum present.

III. Public Comments

No public comments.

IV. Comments from the Chair

No comments from the Chair.

V. *Review and approve 02/18/2026 and 03/04/2026 meeting minutes

Misty Robinson motion to approve meeting minutes. Diana Clarkson seconded. No further discussion. **Motion carried.**

VI. Presentation: Olin Facility Activities and Stockpiles

Gil Doucet with Olin Corporation presented Industry and Emergency Responder Pre-Planning and Coordination, emphasizing the importance of pre-planning coordination between industry and the emergency responders.

VII. Critical Infrastructural Coordination

Anna Chavez reported that historically, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD) has submitted the annual Critical Infrastructure Data Call to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), with limited input from partner jurisdictions. To improve regional coordination, LVMPD has shared its critical infrastructure inventory with emergency management partners from Henderson, North Las Vegas, and other jurisdictions. Over the coming months, jurisdictions will be asked to assist in maintaining and updating the list throughout the year to ensure accuracy and reduce the burden of annual reporting. The group will also collaborate with state partners to review and establish a regionally agreed-upon list of the most critical infrastructure assets, ensuring all jurisdictions and the State of Nevada are aligned on priority assets for protection and emergency planning purposes.

VIII. *Bylaws Review and Approval

The Chair pointed out page 4, article VI, two subcommittees were established and added to the bylaws.

Jeremy Hynds motion to approve the bylaws. Jeff Hanh seconded. No further discussion. **Motion carried.**

IX. Nominate/Confirm Jeremy Banfield as Co-Chair for AIR

Gary Stevenson reported that, with assistance of Jeremy Hynds during the leadership transition, Jeremy Bandfield of HF Sinclair was identified and agreed to serve as Chair of the Apex Industrial AIR Group. Gary Stevenson motion to nominate Jeremy Banfield as Chair of the Apex Industrial Region AIR Group.

Jeremy Hynds motion to approve Jeremy Banfield as Chair of the Apex Industrial AIR Group. Diana Clarkson seconded. No further discussion. **Motion carried.**

Jeremy Banfield introduced himself to the committee and shared that he serves as Terminal Supervisor, overseeing daily operations at the fuel terminal located in the Mountain View Industrial Complex. He highlighted his professional background, which includes 21 years in the energy industry, 21 years of military service, and 12 years in law enforcement and first response. Mr. Banfield expressed his commitment to supporting the group and strengthening partnerships among stakeholders and thanked the

committee for the opportunity to serve as Chair of the Apex Industrial Region AIR Group.

X. LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Plans Administration Subcommittee

Gary Stevenson reported that the new Hazmat Plan would be distributed to the members to submit any changes, updates, corrections, or recommendations, the deadline will be included in the email that will be distributed soon.

b. Training and Exercise Subcommittee

Gary Stevenson reported that a fourth-quarter exercise is being planned at the Water Reclamation Facility, led by Gil and Josie with support from Water Reclamation staff. He also reported that representatives from Clark County Fire Department, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue, and North Las Vegas Fire Department recently participated in Kinder Morgan's annual exercise, where they observed operations, provided feedback, conducted site familiarization, and reviewed the facility's Emergency Response Plan. Gary continued that efforts are ongoing to identify chairpersons for the Northwest Industrial Region (NIR) and Blue Diamond/Enterprise Industrial Region (BEIR) groups. He encouraged interested individuals to contact him and noted that he is continuing discussions with group members to fill these positions. Additionally, he reported that on May 28, members of the Clark County Fire Department are scheduled to visit the Higgins Generating Station to review the facility's Emergency Action Plan and Emergency Response Plan and to familiarize themselves with the site layout.

c. Grants Subcommittee

David Martin-Vaquero was not available, the Chair stated that he is working on United We Stand and SERC-OPTE grants.

d. Public Information Sub

Cheryl recognized John Turner, who serves as vice chair of the subcommittee and has officially been announced as chair of the State Emergency Communications/EAS program. She noted that John was online. Cheryl also reported that the team now has access to electronic billboards for public messaging and recently utilized them during the March heat wave. She indicated that she and the Chief will continue coordinating efforts to ensure effective use of this communication resource.

Additionally, Cheryl stated that the Southern Nevada Community Preparedness App continues to be promoted, thanking Guy Demarco for helping keep the initiative on track. She further reported on a partnership with the Clark County Environmental Sustainability Department, which is developing new preparedness guides covering extreme heat, flooding, wildfires, earthquakes, and power outages. Clark County has been asked to provide input on the materials which are expected to be released in brochure format.

e. Legislative Subcommittee

The Chair announced that Joanna Jacob will join and assist the Legislative Subcommittee. As the County's primary legislative affairs representative, she will serve as a point of contact for emergency management-related legislation, providing updates and coordination on relevant bills during the upcoming legislative session. The Chair expressed appreciation for her support.

The Chair mentioned that the GIS subcommittee has been temporarily removed pending further development of its purpose and engagement process with Clark County GIS. Additional information regarding the role of GIS representatives will be developed before reengaging the group.

Specialized Response Subcommittee

i. AIR

Jeremy Banfield reported that, while there was no formal update for the committee, his organization recently participated in a tabletop exercise with the North Las Vegas Police Department and Fire Department. He noted continued active involvement in the LEPC process and expressed a commitment to building on those collaborative efforts.

ii. BEIR

Nothing to report.

iii. NIR

Nothing to report.

iv. CAER

Josie Ross reported that planning is underway for CAER's sixth annual full-scale exercise, scheduled for October, with Water Reclamation serving as the host site. Additional details will be provided as planning progresses. Josie also reported that approximately half of the facility pre-plans with local fire departments have been completed, with efforts underway to

schedule the remaining pre-plans before the end of the quarter. Staff thanked Water Reclamation for hosting the upcoming exercise.

XI. Public Comments

No comments.

XII. Adjournment

Jeremy Hynds motion to adjourn the meeting. Gary Stevenson seconded. No further discussion. **Meeting adjourned.**

Next Regularly Scheduled LEPC Meeting: **Wednesday 08/12/2026**
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**