



**Clark County Local Emergency Planning Committee**  
CLARK COUNTY FIRE ADMINISTRATION  
TELECONFERENCE

**Final Minutes**  
**August 20, 2024**  
**9:00 A.M.**

**LEPC ATTENDANCE**

**MEMBERS:**

Billy Samuels, David Milewski, James Rogers, Misty Richardson, Carolyn Levering, Bradley Iverson, Gary Stevenson, Randy Wilbanks, Jeremy Hynds, Greg Chesser, Jason Manzo, Bowdie Young, William West, Louise Hardy, Daniel Berc, Lucas Basham Murphy, Brian Mitchell, Melanie Rouse, Karen Donnahie, John Turner, Lowel Smith.

**ALTERNATES:**

Harriett Vegas, Josie Ross, Spencer Lewis, Jeremy Crawford, Angeline Szymanski, Amber Stringer, Robert Palumbo, Jeen Clemitson, Andrew Roth, Sander Smiles.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Sean Simoneau, Jim Owens, Brian Arboreen, Jayson Andrus, Brenda Pappas, Corey Ross, Misty Robinson, Warren Hull, Ortary Davila, Lori Mack, Andrew Bennett, Judy Lopez, Kathryn Foxworthy, Karen Beckley, Nina Perez-Payumo, Aaron Morris, Tori Begay, Bryan Ostaszewski.

- I. **Call to Order**  
Billy Samuels, LEPC Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM on Tuesday August 20<sup>th</sup>. 2024.
- II. **Roll Call**  
Misty Richardson, quorum present.
- III. **Public Comments**
  - No comments
- IV. **Comments from the Chair**
  - The Chair introduced Katya Collins, who will handle administrative tasks for the LEPC meetings, from now on all the correspondence will be coming from her.
  - Moving forward all the meeting invites will go as calendar invites instead of emails, this will be the process.
- V. **\* Review and Approve 06-16-2024 Meeting Minutes**
  - The Chair advised, due to the discrepancies on the date, some people didn't get the minutes; this item is tabled for next LEPC quarterly meeting.
- VI. **"Private Sector Partnership" GRAINGER Incident and Emergency Management**
  - The chair introduced Yolanda Esparza with Grainger to do a presentation about Private Sector Partnership.
  - Yolanda Esparza did a presentation on how Grainger can assist our EOC's in case of an emergency. There are 350 branches and over 26,000 employees ready to assist. Their centers of distribution can and will be available 24/7 in case it's needed. Yolanda emphasized on their capabilities to support local,

state and federal governments, including emergency logistics and resource distribution.

- Josie Ross with City of Henderson will host a tabletop with Grainger to integrate in future exercises and training sessions.

## VII. LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

### a. Plans Administration Subcommittee

Gary Stevenson, Chair  
Josie Ross, Co-chair

- Gary Stevenson reported the hazmat emergency response plan is open for revision for the year 2025, so if anyone has anything that they want to add, correct or change to the plan, needs to be submitted by October 31<sup>st</sup>.

### b. Training and Exercise Subcommittee

Gary Stevenson, Chair  
Misty Richardson, Co-chair

- Gary Stevenson provided an update on the upcoming training and exercises, including Union Pacific, RCT, City of Las Vegas.
- Misty Richardson reminded everyone to please use the Web-EOC calendar and enter all of the exercises and training that are upcoming to reduce redundancy and also work on not stepping on each other's exercises and training classes.

### c. Grants Subcommittee

David Martin-Vaquero, Chair

- Not present.

### d. Public Information Subcommittee

Cheryl Nagy, Chair

- Cheryl Nagy not present.
- Chairman advised to add John Turner as Co-Chair.
- John Turner had nothing to report.

### e. Legislative Subcommittee

Angeline Szymanski, Chair

- Nothing to report.

### f. GIS Subcommittee

Sarah Wright, Chair

Not present.

### g. Specialized Response Subcommittee

Randy Wilbanks, Chair

- Randy Wilbanks reported LVFR is going out to all the tier two facilities and get the hazmat team out there to do tours, reintroduce themselves, and get points of contact.

## SPECIAL REPORTS & WORKING GROUPS

### a. Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)

Brian Ostaszewski, Nevada State VOAD

- Sanders smiles reported recently held their meeting thanks to the Division of Emergency Management in Carson City. Facebook and website pages are up. Also living works who is responsible for suicide education and prevention across the country is joining Nevada VOAD and offering their services for our members.

### b. Nuclear Waste Division Yucca Mountain Update

Andrew Bennett, Director of Traffic Safety

- Andrew Bennett did a quick introduction of himself and reported that he's working on the transportation issues for nuclear waste through the valley. Clark County is

appealing the decision from the Department of Health and Human services. Requested a time in the upcoming LEPC meeting to do a throughout presentation.

- Chairman requested the law enforcement members present to ask some of their peers to be present for the next meeting. Advised meetings will move to Wednesdays to not conflict with the BCC's.

c. Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Josie Ross, Chair Steering Subcommittee

- Misty Richardson reported each of the jurisdictions has successfully moved their portion of the hazard mitigation plan approval through their city councils. The only two outstanding jurisdictions pending approval are the tribal chairs from both Las Vegas Valley and Moapa Valley. Requested Harriet to reach out to either Josie or her afterwards to talk about this.
- Misty Richardson requested to keep this item on the agenda to keep track of each submission, during the LEPC meeting and convene after.

1. AIR Vacant

Co-chair Vacant  
Co-chair Vacant

- Chairman commented AIR still vacant, asked Gary Stevenson to work on this.

2. BEIR Mike Shanks

Co-chair Amber Stringer  
Co-chair Vacant

- Amber Stringer reported this should be transitioned to her but haven't been able to connect with Mike Shanks. Chairman Samuels asked Gary Stevenson to connect Amber with Mike and check if he still wants to be a part of this group.

3. NIR

Co-chair Brian Pearson  
Co-chair Vacant

- Brian Pearson reported that as the summer has been super-hot, and as being the only commercial provider of ice have been making 400,000 pounds of ice, 24 hours a day. Offered his facility for a future training class and expressed his desire to participate as much as they can.
- Chairman Samuels asked Gary if he had Brian's contact information, so they can connect.

4. CAER

Co-chair Gil Doucet  
Co-chair Josie Ross

- Josie Ross reported about the las quarterly meeting held in June and about the training from the dispatch center on 911 on best practices and how to call in a chemical emergency. Next meeting will be held in August, next Wednesday, to go through another chemical release. October 29<sup>th</sup> will have a full-scale exercise that Blue Bell Ice Cream plan will host. Have had 9 out of the 14 pre-planned meetings with their hazmat team.
- Chairman Samuels reminded about uploading those training exercises in the WebEOC calendars as previously requested by Misty Richardson.
- Jeremy Hynds speak on behalf of AIR, commented that he attended to a tabletop exercise that went well, a book was provided, and he would like to share it with the group. Additionally, they have some draft calendars for the next three years, is just a draft, not approved yet, but wanted to bring it up to show that they are making efforts to get out to those facilities at least once a month.
- Chairman Samuels encouraged participation and thanked Jeremy for speaking out.

VIII. Public Comments

- Chairman asked if anybody had public comments, no comments. Next upcoming meeting will be November 13<sup>th</sup> 2024 at 9:00 and will be in the MACC, same room. Chairman encouraged pin person attendance but advised meeting will be available virtually as well.

IX. Adjournment

- Motion, by Misty Robinson and Jeremy Hynds to adjourn. Bradley Iverson with a second. No discussion. Motion passes.

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