



ECHO Meeting 10/9/14

Attending: Soleris (formerly Ashland), Ajinomoto, OSFM, Portland Fire Bureau, Tarr LLC, Multnomah County, Siltronic, BES, Metro, Tsongas.

Updates:

Portland Fire: educating people about hazardous chemicals: what they have and why.

LEPC: Brian gets calls for information; people do not know the regulations. Should be some new faces attending LEPC and hopefully ECHO meetings.

OSFM: fire season is over; Jim Walker is State Fire Marshal; Mariana Ruiz-Temple appointed Chief Deputy State Fire Marshal; 30% of staff have retired in past year; many new people. Still dealing with unit trains – Albany meeting, environmental group panel discussion – October 15th. Number of crude (not Bakken) oil trains going down I-5; Bakken unit trains going along Columbia River mostly.

BES: recent topic is odors in the sewer system; discharges in the area, e.g. oily water treatment. Guiles Lake Pump station is a focus area now, industrial area. Big Pipe works fantastic: on time, under budget.

Multnomah County: merging emergency operations mitigation plans – updates – plan now is all natural hazards – includes risk assessment – partners want to expand plan to include all hazards – human caused hazards – grant for risk assessment to begin soon. Also, mass care and shelter planning going on now.

Siltronic: working with neighbors to agree on how to help each other – share resources – e.g. one neighbor has a barge. Still concerned about '60-second plan' (ppe, whistles, etc.); evacuation plan; 3-day plan; 3 week plan.

New Schedule: fewer ECHO meetings: Oct, Nov, Jan, Feb, Apr, May. LEPC meetings: Dec (ECC), Mar (annual meeting), June, July, Aug, Sept.

Possible topics for meetings:

Communicable Disease – epidemic impact on business continuity – what concerns – contact Oregon Health Authority or business continuity group in Portland for presenter.

CSB videos: analyses of incidents.

Rich G at PBOT: what plans do they have to assess bridges?

Utilities: how to know about power outages.

Tarr LLC: outreach: 'you be the chemist' – 5th to 8th graders: Quiz Bowls – Knowledge of chemistry. End of February is the challenge; June Nationals in Philadelphia.

Many thanks to Galvanizers for hosting the meetings! Wonderful coffee and treats! Huge thanks to Theodora whom without, these minutes would be pretty short.