

Mid-Valley LEPC Annual Meeting

February 8, 2012

10:00 a.m. – 11:15 noon

Northwest Natural Gas

7150 Supra Drive SW

Albany, Oregon

Minutes

Introduction of Attendees:

Kristine Babbish, Linn County Public Health

Lori Blau, Cascade Pacific Pulp

Karla Caudell, City of Halsey

Scott Coffin, ATI Wah Chang

Jane Fleischbein, Linn County Public Health

Douglas Freeman, RCO International, Inc

Ronald Greenhill, DHS NPPD IP Chemical Security Division

Kevin Harding, Hewlett Packard

Michael Hurick, American Red Cross

Seaton McLennan, City of Tangent

Deron Neukomm, Grace

Marcene Olson, Linn-Benton Community College

Erik Rau, Benton County Sheriff's Office

Karen Selander, Corvallis School district 509J

Gregory Skaer, Oregon Freeze Dry

Robert Tatum, Harrisburg School District

Anthony Vendetti, City of Albany

Cathy Ingalls, Albany Democrat Herald

Jim Howell, Public

Jeff Hinrichs, Albany Police

Sue Otjen, Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office

- Each Executive member and workgroup chair was also identified and recognized.

Approval of the February 9, 2011, Minutes

Minutes of the February 9, 2011, meeting were approved as sent out.

Reports

- **Mid-Valley LEPC 2011 Goals**

- Went through each goal and talked about the original expectation and what we accomplished by the end of the year. We had an excellent discussion and ended the year meeting 80 percent of our goals.
- Discussed grant funding and what we were able to accomplish with the funds we received from the State Fire Marshal's Office: two State of Oregon Region 5 Linn/Benton Hazardous Material Team members training to Technician level; support of emergency responders to the Awareness and Operations level; and a functional exercise.

- **Mid-Valley LEPC 2012 Goals**

- Went through each of the eight new goals for 2012. Some changes were made with the addition of one Phase III review, which will be done by Benton County; one Phase II review by the City of Albany; and involvement with emergency responders in the coordination of information through Linn-Benton Alert.
- Grant awards for 2012 were discussed.

- Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) grant application period opened February 3, 2012, for the FY 2013 grants.
 - Discussed how we could provide better participation by the facilities in hazardous materials training opportunities. We cannot fund a training class specifically for a facility, but a facility can participate in a training opportunity that is being put on for emergency responders and receive credit for the training. Will make effort in 2012 and 2013 to better coordinate training.

Comments:

- Erik Rau talked about the Linn-Benton Alert test on January 17, 2012. Overall it went very well and there were a number of things they learned:
 - Text messages were apparently stretched up to ten individual texts to get the message out because of how the message was put into the message box for transmission. Facilities with phone systems were unable to receive the calls to specific phone numbers in their system because the calls were being blocked. Some phone systems in smaller communities could not handle the capacity of calls being sent out.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Darrel Tedisch.