

**Mid-Valley LEPC Meeting**  
**ATI Pacific Cast**  
**150 Queen Avenue SW, Albany**  
**June 12, 2013**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**Minutes**

**Attendees:**

Douglas Baily, Corvallis Fire/HazMat Team 5  
Brian Cooke, Benton County Health Dept.  
Haleigh Gokey, Linn County Public Health  
Sophia Grimm, Linn County Public Health  
Deron Neukomm, Grace  
Steve Niskanen, NWFF Environmental  
Lorri Headrick, Albany Fire Dept.

Marcene Olson, LBCC  
Erik Rau, Benton County Sheriff's Office  
Cliff Sabin, Samaritan AGH & LCH  
Greg Skaer, Oregon Freeze Dry  
Darrel Tedisch, City of Albany  
Terry Wolfe, State Fire Marshal's Office

**Comments from the Chair:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Terry Wolfe asked for changes to his report on the HMEP grant and the reference to DEQ, which should have been EPA, when discussing New Expectations of Oregon LEPCs. Minutes of the May 8, 2013, meeting were approved as revised.

**Reports from Participating Organizations:**

**State Fire Marshal's Office** – Terry Wolfe reported that the LEPC Emergency Response Plan template and crosswalk are near completion and to be posted on the internet soon. The LEPC Conference was well attended and good information provided. Next year will be a HazMat Conference with an invitation to LEPCs to attend. The following year will be a LEPC Conference similar to this year.

A question was asked about the relationship between the LEPC Emergency Response Plan and the local response plans. Terry advised that local plans could be an appendix to the LEPC plan; the LEPC plan only addresses hazardous materials.

**State HazMat Team 5** – Douglas Baily reported that they have a recon drill on June 13; planning with OSU for bio-terror event in September; radiation center at OSU is offline; and the team has new monitors coming.

**Benton County Emergency Management** – Erik Rau reported that Sheriff Simpson is retiring at the end of the month and Undersheriff Scott Jackson will be the interim sheriff. Linn-Benton Alert has applied to FEMA for a two-county memorandum of agreement to participate in IPAWS (Integrated Public Alert & Warning System). If approved by FEMA, it will then go to the state and then back to the two counties.

**Linn County Public Health** – Haleigh Gokey reported that they had a recent MRC orientation; membership is now at 62. Haleigh completes her assignment August 30, and they are interviewing for someone to take her place. Sophia is an OSU student completing an internship with LCPH, but will be staying on for the summer helping prepare for the October vulnerable populations exercise with Linn, Marion, and Yamhill Counties and the Red Cross.

**Samaritan Health** – Cliff Sabin reported that they have their ham radio equipment set up and that they are preparing for an active threat exercise in the fall.

**LBCC** – Marcene Olson reported that they received final approval from FEMA for their Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan and are preparing for their fall violent intruder drill with law enforcement. Cliff Sabin expressed interest in Samaritan Health participating in the drill.

**Workgroup Reports:**

**Membership** – No report.

**Outreach** – Identified the need for more Linn-Benton Alert information cards for public distribution.

**Presentation** – David McLaughlin with OR-OSHA will present on Global Harmonization System at the July 10 meeting.

**Emergency Planning** – All that remains is the Phase III evaluation for Linn County; Tedisch indicated that he expects that to occur in 2014.

**Resource Assessment** – No report.

**Information Coordinator Report:** No report.

**Local Exercises & Training:**

**Linn-Benton Vulnerable Population Planning Committee Report** - Darrel Tedisch reported that the Linn-Benton Vulnerable Populations Plan was completed in 2012 and on May 30 a tabletop exercise was held involving nine vulnerable population facilities. The exercise revealed how innocuous many of the vulnerable population facilities are; many are not easily identified and are located in residential areas. An after-action plan was developed, identifying items to follow up with these facilities. The next tabletop exercise will be in Benton County on June 27, 1:30 p.m., at the Sunset Building, 4077 SW Research Way.

**Benton County Full-Scale Exercise** – Erik Rau reported on the exercise planning. They will be exercising the Linn-Benton Alert system, evacuation, and shelter-in-place. They expect up to 150 people to be involved; including 50 vulnerable population clients/staff. They will have the resources of an intern to assist with the exercise. A request was made for LEPC members to participate as controllers and evaluators; training will be provided.

**Old Business:**

**Report on LEPC Conference (May 21-23)** – Darrel reported on the topics covered at the conference. EPA communicated that the initial call to 9-1-1 for a release will act as the notification call required to the LEPC. The process for 9-1-1 dispatch to notify the LEPC is to be determined. The change will need to be included in the Emergency Response Plan and LEPC Bylaws. There is no change to the after-action report requirement.

**New Business:**

**December 2013 Meeting** – Members agreed to cancel the December 11 meeting due to the full-scale exercise being held in Benton County that day.

**Next Meeting:** July 10, 2013, 10:00 a.m., at Northwest Natural

**Regular Meeting Adjournment:** 11:25 a.m.

Submitted by,

Lorri Headrick