



MEETING MINUTES

April 19, 2016 @ 1:30 p.m.

The Vert
345 SW 4th Street
Pendleton OR

Introductions

Vincent Papol, National Weather Service
Mike Kay, Hermiston School District
Robert Gillespie, Umatilla County Health Dept.
Doug Paine, Good Shepherd Medical Center
Jodi Florence, Umatilla County Emergency Management
Craig Williams, Hermiston Foods
Ben Weinke, Hermiston - Recycled Water Plant
Scott Spendlove, City of Weston
Jake Devine, Smith Frozen Foods
Deb Fritts, Pendleton Grain Growers
Virginia Blakelock, KBLU-FM
Gary Betts, KBLU-FM
Jason Gefre, Hermiston Generating

Approval of Minutes: March 15, 2016

Craig Williams made a motion to accept minutes as written. Ben Weinke seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

Exercises

1. Cascadia Subduction Zone (CSZ) Earthquake Exercise - June 7-10, 2016
 - Vinny Papol attended the OEM Workshop and was impressed with the number of Emergency Managers and the training provided on a variety of topics, including CSZ. There will be a number of Counties that will work together and take an active role in the exercise.
 - Umatilla County will participate in the multi-state exercise, along with Emergency Managers from the Eastern Oregon Counties. Union County will have a full scale exercise and several local Counties will attend.
 - This exercise is a good time for facilities to check their emergency plans and determine how they would handle power outages, fuel shortages and damage to their buildings.
2. Active Shooter Exercise, UC Health Department in Pendleton – Recap
 - Pendleton Police, Pendleton Fire, Umatilla County Sheriff's Office, Umatilla County Health Department participated in an Active Shooter exercise on March 31. The exercise went well and provided good training in a realistic

- setting.
- Umatilla County Special Library District had a training the same day and involved 12 Library Districts.
- Hermiston School District has had three trainings and will have one more later this year.

State Fire Marshal's Office - Terry Wolfe unable to attend

Old Business

1. Communication Liaison Volunteer(s) - Tabled for next meeting
2. Outgoing Umatilla County EM Vision of forming a Policy Group – Tabled until Emergency Manager is hired.
3. 2016 Oregon Prepared Workshop, Kah-Nee-Ta, Apr 5-7 – Recap
 - The Oregon Emergency Management Workshop was well attended by a variety of Emergency Managers from Counties across the State. The training was informative and provided a time of networking and learning how others have handled emergencies in their jurisdictions.

New Business

1. NCBRT Train-the-trainer class, Readiness Training Identification Preparedness Planning, May 17 and 18, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
 - There are spaces available for anyone who would like to improve their training plans. The class will take attendees through hazards and how to plan and train for them. There is no cost for this training. Contact Jodi if you are interested in attending.
2. HAZMAT Spills/Reports – no report

Other Business -

Vinny Papol attended a Table Top Exercise in Walla Walla in March. It was focused on an event at Hanford with a radiological release. The Weather Service did not provide modeling for the exercise, but did share services they could provide.

Deb Fritts: PGG has been approached by Pendleton and Hermiston Fire Departments to use McKennon Station as a practice location for rappelling.

She has gone through the annual service on their fire extinguishers and found several that are no longer usable. PGG will use them to practice with, before they are recycled. They have extra extinguishers that are available to anyone who would like to have some to practice. Contact Deb if you are interested.

Doug Paine stated that Hermiston Fire and Emergency Services also have a training prop that simulates a fire and using a fire extinguisher to put out fires.

Jason Gefre has a fire hose tester that they no longer use; contact Jason if you are interested in it.

Next Meeting Dates: June 21 TBD Hermiston

Adjournment