

MULTNOMAH COUNTY LEPC  
Meeting Minutes  
Friday March 11, 2016  
Portland Fire & Rescue Training Center – Portland, OR

Members Present: Recorded by sign-in sheet

Meeting was called to order at 11:05 am.

Members present approved meeting minutes from February 12, 2016

Members present introduced themselves

Rachel Madjlesi provided an update of the HMEP Grant process

- Grant application to hire a contractor to gather the 9 Planning Elements information from six to ten facilities has been submitted
- Mt. Hood Community College will be the fiscal administrator for the grant funds

Terry Wolfe of Oregon State Fire Marshal is seeking volunteers to evaluate and grade proposals received for HMEP Grant funds.

- Volunteers read, review, and score applications beforehand
- Proposals will be prioritized until funds run out during a meeting on March 22
- OSFM will pay for mileage and provide lunch

Don Pettit of Oregon DEQ Emergency Response provided a presentation on a fire involving a fuel truck and rail cars that occurred off Highway 30 near the St. John's Bridge on December 13, 2015

- The fire burned for approximately one hour fed by the fuel on the truck
- Not much fuel was found after the fire, most of it burned off
- Little was left of the truck after the fire
- Rail cars were jacketed and the asphalt they carried has the ability to absorb a lot of heat without expanding
- NW Natural facility control building and security structures sustained some damage from the fire.
- An insulated natural gas tank further back in the facility equipped with automatic shutoffs was not at risk
- Incident occurred at a convergence point of storage, utility, and transportation infrastructure
- There are two underground pipelines carrying flammable materials under pressure in the vicinity of the fire
- Previous incidents in the area involving wildfires and a vehicle hitting a power pole raise the question of whether a guardrail is needed in this area

Don Pettit asked if the section at the bottom of the Multnomah County LEPC website home page is intended to be the required source of LEPC notification rather than receiving the information from Oregon Emergency Response System (OERS)

- Don can provide information on what the current NW Plan details as the existing reporting procedure
- Brian Bailey provided a history of the origin of the web page and noted that EPA Region X confirmed that calling 911 is an acceptable form of notification
- EPCRA requires follow up notification to the SERC and LEPC within 30 days of a release
- OSFM website has a form to submit the follow up notification to the SERC

Jim Dunlap has the LEPC outreach letter ready to be sent out. He is currently stuffing envelopes. OSFM will mail the letters.

Brian Bailey of Siltronic Corporation, former Chair of the LEPC and current Chair of the ECHO sub-committee announced he will be starting work at a different company located in Camas, Washington.

- Terry Wolfe expressed appreciation for all the work Brian has done with the LEPC and ECHO over the last fifteen years

Terry Wolfe introduced Michael Heffner. Michael will be supporting the LEPC and SERC Programs as well as many others that have been unsupervised for awhile

Meeting Adjourned at 11:45