

Pierce County LEPC Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2019

Attendance:

Todd Kilpatrick, DEM (Acting Chair)
Jacob Hausdorf, CHI Franciscan
Scott Preston, MultiCare
Marty Kapsh, Port of Tacoma
Chris Anderson, Olympic Pipeline
Alex Crooks, Olympic Pipeline
Emily Boucher, U.S. Oil & Refining
Allen Estes, Tacoma Fire
Eli King, guest speaker

Andy Comstock, TPC Health Department
Jim Jaques, East Pierce Fire & Rescue
Nicole Johnson, DEM
Gary Anderson, Phillips 66
Tyler Brown, Central Pierce Fire & Rescue
Jason Rickey, Graham Fire/PCHIT
Ute Scofield, Tacoma EM (Secretary)
Angela Harkins, Dept. of Ecology

Meeting Information:

Start Time: 13:30 Adjourn: 15:11
Location: 3600 Port of Tacoma Road, Tacoma, WA 98424

Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions:

Todd Kilpatrick welcomed everyone, and introductions were made.

Approval of the Agenda:

Reviewed the agenda. Motion to approve made by Jason Rickey. Seconded by Andy Comstock. All voted to approve the agenda. None opposed. Motion carried.

Approval of April 9, 2019 Meeting Minutes:

The meeting minutes for April 9, 2019 were reviewed. Marty Kapsh made a motion to accept the minutes as they are. Andy Comstock seconded the motion. All voted to approve the minutes. None opposed. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: (NONE)

New Business:

- LEPC Chair: Jay Sumerlin has accepted a position as the Fire Chief of Redding, California. Todd Kilpatrick is now the Acting LEPC Chair. According to Bylaws, the new Chair is elected by voting by members. Will accept nominations until September meeting, where we will put to a vote. Todd to distribute the nomination form.
- Discussion on update of LEPC Bylaws. Todd will share guidance from State on recommended content. Will provide an updated draft and propose updates to bylaws at next meeting. Anyone interested in participating in the update should contact Todd.

Program: *Coordination – Energy Emergencies and Planning for a Regional Fuel Shortage*

Eli King, Energy Emergency Planner for Washington Department of Commerce.

- Planner - updates state energy emergency contacts and is responsible for fuel planning. Provides technical expertise to agencies, is not a regulatory authority, but offers support to

- utilities. Developing a web access portal to share documents and resources. Creating a “how to guide” for locals to update CEMP and ESF 12.
- Creating an emergency management program specifically related to energy emergencies. Working with all of the utilities, dept of ecology,
 - Dept of Commerce provides language to the Governor on declaring an Energy Emergency. Working on a notification system to provide information to utility partners in advance of a declaration of this type.
 - For an energy emergency or alert, the State EOC may or may not be activated. Working on an agreement with State EMD regarding ESF12 request for activation, rather than waiting for EMD to activate.
 - Energy Emergency Guidance is based on *NAZEO* standards for utility providers. Cross walking requirements with State and Federal CEMP requirements.
 - Developing an ESF 12 workgroup statewide for sharing best practices and developing cross jurisdiction exercises.
 - Interdependencies
 - working on the concept that integration and coordination is necessary for restoration. Focus should be on restoring critical infrastructure simultaneously rather than prioritizing one over the other.
 - Mapping interdependencies – WISE, and WA state Energy Disruption Tracking System (WSEDTS) tools. Working with utilities on one coordinated utility outage map. Most have independent websites and maps.
 - 90% of fuel in Oregon comes from WA. A disruption in supply chain has significant fuel shortage implications for Oregon State. If WA shuts down, Oregon would maybe last 6 days.
 - Regional shortage plan – not catastrophic plan.
 - Impacts to individuals and first responders
 - Question: is military included in “regional” concept. Yes, working to coordinate with military but have no jurisdiction. Absolutely will have impacts to military personnel in the state.
 - Outreach to Oil and Gas industries – one on one private meetings.
 - Developed Statewide Fuel Planning Workgroup – one representative from each jurisdiction.
 - Nine Priority Actions
 - Based off of Oregon Fuel Action Plan
 - See slide for approved prorates
 - Priority Fuel Guidelines
 - Address critical lifeline sectors of Transportation, Energy, water/waste water, communications first 12 hours.
 - Following National Level Guidance on Fuel Task Force
 - Statewide taskforce to make decisions of fuel allocation and distribution
 - Want to implement portions of this plan into the 2020 Cascadia Rising Exercise. Not looking to exercise the local component, but rather the requests that come into the state for decision making and prioritization.

Questions/Comments:

- Healthcare comment - Secondary critical partners (support contracts) need to be included in the planning.
- Regional Resilient Assessment Program (RRAP) discussion as follow up to Cascadia Rising
- Review of Grocery Supply Chain Technical Assistance working group
- Introduction of FEMA Fuel Supply Chain TA
- Integrating Fuel supply chain work into LEPC rather than developing further meetings with same participants.
- Mention of FEMA Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program re-starting– Fuel
- Dept of Commerce Fuel Supply Action Plan template will be a Pierce County Plan, not individual agency plans, but rather a coordinated PC planning effort.
 - Coordinating with City and County representatives.
- Question on product transfer from facility to destination, through third party delivery.
 - Comment on third party carriers - Fuel rack will work with third party contracts for movement of product, but the state would prioritize where the delivery would go. Fuel Rack indicated that the most difficult component is going to be working with third party contracts.
 - Comment – need a priority loading process in addition to the fuel Action Plan. There are only two or three lanes for each site and takes 30 minutes per load. Rack is only good for so many loads per day.
 - Discussion on Gas vs Diesel? First step is managing priorities for gas then work on diesel and generators.
- Discussion on enforcement of plan during emergencies.
 - Who enforces plan and makes decisions on fuel allocations? Response - State fuel task force and counties.
- Graham Fire does not have a fuel plan. They go to local sources and partners. Question on funding opportunities grants for putting in tanks in local fire depts. Todd to follow up on grants question.
- Discussion on bulk terminals and security. If set up for end user, fuel distribution racks can prioritize first responders.
- Agencies encouraged to have own fuel contracts with out of area contacts, if they can afford to pay for the fuel source.
- Have surveys been done on the resources that exist in the county? Regulations on what can be asked of private industry partners. Suggestion to go through **WISPA**.
- A large number of barrels per day that service the East side of the Mountain. Take into consideration when planning and moving forward. Remove that piece – say that there is a state of emergency and hold that amount for to maintain reserves.
- Requests for literature or materials to share with agencies to get permission to participate in this planning effort? Private Sector request. Response, not yet. Please share comments on needs with Eli.
- Private Sector requests a nondisclosure agreement

Open Forum

- Phillips 66 TTX in September at – looking for 4 or 5 evaluators.
- TPU working with Hospitals in regard to water resiliency
- Geographic response plan update – emailed out to committee. Each Geographic area has a response plan that falls under national contingency plan. Survey monkey shared to provide comments. Survey link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/surveyGRP>. LEPC members are asked to provide a response by the July 31. Direct questions to grps@eyc.wa.gov
- 30th annual Continuing Challenges Hazardous Material Response Workshop – September 24-27
 - State Emergency Response Committee (SERC) is paying to send 12 first responders from WA State to this workshop in Sacramento, CA. Specifically for first responders with a role in HazMat response. Information sent to all fire department Chiefs in PC. LEPC will do random drawing of applicants. Nine regions in the state. PC is its own region. PC will submit three applications for attendance. One person from each LEPC. Plus, extras from Region 9.
 - **The workshop is intended for Hazardous Material first responders.** For more information visit <https://www.hazmat.org/> .
 - Discussion – this is the premiere west coast conference for this type. Individual agencies can register and pay for their own way. Approximate cost for registration is \$500 for conference registration.
 - SERC pays for per diem, lodging, and travel. Not paying for backfill, ground transportation to and from, or parking at the airport.
- US Oil tabletop exercise on September 25
 - LEPC is invited to participate. Todd will share with group.
 - Worst case scenario.