June 22, 2022—Summary Meeting Minutes (DRAFT)

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Maricopa County Local Emergency Planning Committee (MCLEPC) was held on June 22, 2022, both virtually via Microsoft Teams and in-person at 1110 W Washington St, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

Agenda Items:

1. Call Meeting to Order

   a) At 1:03 PM Co-Chair Brian Hickey called the meeting to order. Members and guests were asked to introduce themselves.

MEMBERS/DESIGNEES PRESENT

- Brian Hickey, Co-Chair, Maricopa LEPC
- Michele Martinez, ADEQ/AZSERC
- Jonathan Patneau, Kinder Morgan
- Brian Gerber, Maricopa County Organization Active in Disaster
- Steve Ward, Mesa Fire & Medical
- Chris Healey, Phoenix Fire
- Jamie Beauvais, AZ Coalition for Healthcare Emergency Response
- Jayme Lee, Maricopa County Public Health
- Mike Branham, Maricopa County Constable
- Bryce Rucker, Industrial Commission of Arizona
- Kathy Hassett, AZ DEMA Training Manager
- Michael Stidham, AZ Homeland Security
- Suzette dePersio, Department of Agriculture
- Mike Fusco, LEPC Chair
- Travis Rand, City of Buckeye Fire Department
- Robin Oothoudt, AZ Coalition for Healthcare Emergency Response
- Marcello Diaz, Kinder Morgan
- John Ferry, AZ Department of Military and Emergency Affairs
- Wayne Bulsiewicz, Veolia

LEPC Support Staff

- Joshua Yungvirt, LEPC Coord – Maricopa County Emergency Management
- Joseph Cruz, Recording – Maricopa County Emergency Management
- Ron Coleman, Observer – Maricopa County Emergency Management
- Cymphanie Sherman, Observer – Maricopa County Emergency Management
2. **Guest Speaker**
   a) Michele Martinez, AZSERC (Open Meeting Law Briefing)
      i. Training materials will be provided later for informational purposes

3. **Old Business**
   a) Discuss/Propose/Vote on Approval of Meeting Minutes:
      i. Meeting Minutes of March 16th, 2022
         1. Mike Fusco– Motion
         2. Wayne Bulsiewicz- Seconded
         3. Motion carried following vote (0 opposed)

4. **New Business**
   a) LEPC Membership Updates
      i. Vote on Application for Kim Campbell (Surprise)
         1. Emergency Manager for Surprise
            a. Chief Abbot has asked that she be their LEPC representative.
         2. Motion to approve application by Brian Hickey
            a. Mike Branham- Motion
            b. Mike Fusco – Seconded
            c. Motion Carried following vote (0 opposed)
      ii. Vote on Application for John Ferry (DEMA)
          1. Mike Fusco introduced John Ferry
             a. He does the advanced planning for AZDEMA and has been with AZDEMA for 3 years.
          2. Motion to approve application by Brian Hickey
             a. Mike Fusco - Motion
             b. Wayne Bulsiewicz– Seconded
             c. Motion Carried following vote (0 opposed)
b) Discuss National Response Center (NRC) Reports

i. January 2022 – June 2022
   1. Report is included in the LEPC calendar invite.
   2. No follow-up required for any NRC incidents
   3. Reach out to Joshua Yungvirt with any questions or concerns.

c) LEPC Plan Update Progress CY2022

i. Plan Committee
   1. The goal is to update the plan this year. LEPC members were invited to participate in the update/review process to allow for a more comprehensive product
      a. The goal is to make the plan more readable/consumable.
      b. Joshua Yungvirt will be working with other committee members to make those updates. Please reach out to him if you would like to participate in the plan update review.
   c. The plan will need to be updated prior to August 1st, an extension may be granted by AZSERC (Michele). LEPC Coordinator will request an extension.

d) LEPC Exercise CY2022

i. The plan to conduct an exercise in 2022 is tabled in favor of starting the planning process for 2023 early to ensure a more robust event.
   ii. Jonathan Patneau (Kinder Morgan) mentioned that his organization could assist in integrating the LEPC into their exercises.
      1. John Patneau mentioned that Kinder Morgan does their worst-case discharge drill every three years.
      2. Marcello (Charlie) Diaz will be the primary point of contact for that exercise.
3. Requests for planners will be sent out to LEPC membership to begin the planning process.

e) Guest Speaker Planning

   i. Looking for guest speakers for LEPC meetings- if you have anyone that would like to brief LEPC or hazardous materials-related subjects, please ensure their name is forwarded.

   1. It would be ideal if there was an increased attendance by the public to learn about hazards from LEPC members.

5. Good of the Order

   a) Brian Hickey wanted to add to the agenda for next time to see how Maricopa County can mitigate lithium-ion battery storage hazards.

      i. Michele Martinez mentioned that the LEPC should develop a mechanism for reporting of battery storage facilities available for situational awareness.

      ii. Jamie Beauvais (AZCHER) Suggested that battery hazards be the focus of an exercise from the public health standpoint.

6. Call to the Public

   a) Brian Hickey opened the floor to any items from the public at 2:11PM

      i. Kim Campbell brought up that we need to work with AZCHER to tie the Tier-II reporting together.

         1. It should be a focus of the plan update.

7. Adjournment

   a) Mike Branham motioned for adjournment, seconded by Wayne Bulsiewicz

      i. Members approved.

      ii. Meeting adjourned at 2:13 PM