

April 10, 2013-Summary Meeting Minutes

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Maricopa County Local Emergency Planning Committee (MCLEPC) was held on April 10, 2013 at the KTAR Radio Station located at 7740 N. 16th St., Suite 200, Phoenix, AZ 85020.

Call Meeting to Order

With a quorum being present, Chair Michael Trapasso called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm, and instructed the members to introduce themselves.

Members/Designees Present:

Cheri Dale	Maricopa County Air Quality
Mike Fusco	Citizen at Large
Joan Minichiello	Maricopa County Environmental Services
Chris Haupt	DPC Enterprises
Michael Trapasso	Univar USA
Gary Smith (By Proxy)	KTAR
Scott Grane	City of Phoenix Fire Department
Steve Randall	City of Scottsdale Emergency Management
Pete Weaver (By Proxy)	Maricopa County Emergency Management
Eugene See	Maricopa County Public Health
Mary Alice Witzel	Banner Good Samaritan Hospital
Tim Newbill	City of Goodyear Emergency Management

Members Absent

Tom Abbott	City of Tempe Fire Department
Anterre Beebe	Envirosure Solutions
Bill Beebe	Metal Management
Greg Edelen	RETA President
Rich Kochanski	City of Mesa Fire Department
Mitch Lach	Glendale Emergency Management

LEPC Support Staff

Meredith Bond, LEPC Coordinator	Maricopa County Emergency Management
Kelly McDowell, Recording Secretary	Maricopa County Emergency Management

Public Attendees

Tanya Brookshire, RN	Banner Health
Steve Panza	ASPC – PHX CX
Norm Twyford	ASPC – PHX CX

Approval of the meeting minutes for October 10, 2012:

Minutes from the January 9, 2013 meeting were approved by Mike Fusco and seconded by Scott Grane. The motion was approved unanimously.

Update on AZERC workshop:

Ms. Meredith Bond and Mr. Rich Kochanski attended the AZSERC LEPC workshop. Ms Bond discussed the grant process and how the LEPC qualifies for grants. AZSERC takes into account the total LEPC meeting held each year, total HazMat exercises that are completed, LEPC response plan reviewed at meetings, plan updates, and response plans incorporated in the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). Maricopa County is above average since we have meetings every quarter and most groups only have one to two a year. Our plan is reviewed at each meeting and is in the EOP. AZSERC also looks at HazMat incidents based on population, fire departments in the district that accept electronic reports, as well as the attendance to AZSERC sponsored meetings. Maricopa County LEPC has met all of the qualifications to receive future grant money.

There was a County monitoring visit conducted by AZSERC where Mr. Mark Howard and Mr. Roger Soden audited grant documentation for FY10, FY11, and FY12. All documentation matched with AZSERC and Maricopa County LEPC passed the audit.

LEPC Equipment Grant Update:

Ms. Bond discussed the availability of grant money for FY14. It is believed there will be grant money available for fire departments to purchase equipment. Maricopa County LEPC would like the grant money to go to the smaller fire departments with less funding.

The applications from fire departments will be reviewed by our subcommittee and then submitted to the AZERC for approval once they have been approved by the state, they will work directly with the fire department to receive the grant money.

If the public has any questions regarding this they can email the LEPC@mail.maricopa.gov address and they will be sent to Meredith Bond.

2012 Tier II Report:

Ms. Bond reported that there were 2280 Tier II reports filed in Maricopa County. Phoenix had 870, Mesa had 230, Gilbert had 199, Chandler had 147, and Scottsdale and Tempe had 142 each.

Most Tier II reports were filed electronically. If a paper report was filed, it was scanned into the system by AZSERC.

LEPC Hazmat plan review and update:

Mr. Mike Fusco discussed the LEPC Hazmat plan and the changes that were made. The main concern was consistency throughout the document. All acronyms were added to a list and the word “citizens” was changed to “residents”. We will continue to look through the plan and make appropriate changes.

Emergency Alert System:

Mr. Aaron Farnham from KTAR gave a presentation to the committee and the public on how the Emergency Alert System (EAS) works. Mr. Farnham answered questions from the public and the committee.

Good of the Order:

Ms. Cheri Dale thanked Mr. Tim Newbill, Ms. Meredith Bond, and Mr. Mike Fusco for reviewing the LEPC plan with her.

Call to the Public/Public Comments on Plan:

Mr. Norm Twyford requested copy of the LEPC plan. He was advised that copies were available.

Announcement of next LEPC Meeting:

The Chair announced that the next meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2013 at 2 pm in Peoria, location to be determined.

Adjournment:

With no further business the Chair asked to adjourn the meeting. –Motion was agreed to by Eugene See and was seconded by Aaron Farnham at 6:33 pm – The motion was approved unanimously.