

**Storey County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, January 13, 2016- 10:00 A.M.**

Storey County McCarran Government Complex  
1705 Peru Drive  
McCarran, Nevada 89434

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Curtis at 10:00 a.m.

**INDIVIDUALS PRESENT**

Adkins, Ron	Storey County Fire Protection District
Allen, Karen	Carson City Health & Human Services
Ballard, Dave	Storey County Communications
Behl, Randy	American Red Cross
Curtis, Joe	Storey County Emergency Management
Gallagher, Hugh	Storey County Comptroller
Harris, Ed	James Hardie Company
Haymore, Dean	Storey County Community Development
Mendoza, John Michael	Storey County Sheriff's Office
Nevin, Cherie	Storey County Community Relations
Regan, Jim	NV Energy
Roja, Toni	Barrick/PIC
Smallcomb, Chris	National Weather Service
Whitten, Pat	Storey County Manager
Works, Marena	Nevada Health Centers

**GREETING AND OPENING REMARKS**

Roundtable introductions of all present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

NONE

**APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 21, 2015 MEETING MINUTES**

Motion was made to approve the October 21, 2015 Meeting Minutes by Dean Haymore. This motion was seconded by Jim Regan. Discussion was called for and none heard. All present in favor, motion carries.

**APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FOR ANNUAL SUBMISSION TO THE STATE OF NEVADA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION:**

- **HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE PLAN-** Updates include Hazmat Resource Directory, Letter of Promulgation, Tier II Facilities,
- **NRT 1A FORM**
- **LEVEL OF RESPONSE QUESTIONNAIRE**
- **EXERCISE REPORT-** Previously submitted for October 2015 Exercise
- **BY-LAWS-** No changes
- **MEMBERSHIP LIST**

Cherie Nevin explained that these items are required for Storey County LEPC's annual SERC compliance. A motion made to approve the items as presented for the Annual Submission to the State of Nevada Emergency Response Commission by Dean Haymore. This motion was seconded by Pat Whitten. Discussion was called for and none heard. All present in favor, motion carries.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION: SEEK INPUT FROM LEPC MEMBERSHIP FOR THE STATE OF NEVADA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION (SERC) HAZARDOUS MATERIAL EMERGENCY PLANNING MID-CYCLE GRANT APPLICATION FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE STATE OF NEVADA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION.**

Joe Curtis gave an overview of these items and that these funds are typically used for Hazmat Exercise. Ron Adkins suggested an exercise with the railroad next to the river. Dean Haymore-Galzanizing Company. Pat suggested AZZ to look to work with. Joe exercise with Tesla. Pat suggested that we give them a few more years. Chris Smallcomb NWS would be happy to participate in the exercise. Pat Spring or Summer 2017 USA Parkway Transportation exercise. Joe has had some discussions about the potential of dealing with trucking industry to work on an exercise together. Looking at it also from a commodity flow study. Jim Regan multi-county exercise and study. Dean- James Hardie might be a good one to work with. Tankers of sulfuric acid Ed said coming into the site. 3000 gallons a week and caustic as well.

A motion was made by Jim Regan that the Storey County LEPC move forward with developing an exercise with a TRI partner and develop through the Hazmat Response Plan. This motion was seconded by Dean Haymore. Discussion was called for and Joe asked if we want to state a specific company to work with. Pat Whitten said that the motion made allows us to explore our options. Ron Adkins likes the idea of working with AZZ. All present in favor, motion carries.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION: SEEK INPUT FROM LEPC MEMBERSHIP ON ITEMS TO SUBMIT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 STATE OF NEVADA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION (SERC)**

Joe gave an overview of this grant. Pat suggested dispatch redundancy at TRI facility, CAD and Radios. Partner with NDOT. Jim can utilize SERC and UWS as another source. Pat can talk about match funds. Dean and Pat meeting with NDOT and Ames Construction and talk about the project and partner with them maybe.

A motion was made by Pat Whitten to move forward with 2017 SERC Grant application be focused on communication redundancy 911 PSAP. This motion was seconded by Dave Ballard. Dean talked about wiring for EOC in the TRI space.

**REVIEW OF GRANTS RECEIVED BY STOREY COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Cherie Nevin- gave an overview of grants that we currently have open with balances to date.

GRANT NAME	AWARD	EXPENSES	BALANCE	ITEMS
Six Mile Drainage Project	\$ 1,486,716.07	\$ 93,471.08	\$ 1,393,244.99	Six Mile Canyon Project
16-SERC-15-02	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 22,503.60	\$ 6,496.40	Radios/Thermal Imager Hazmat Supplies/LEPC Ops

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTORS REPORT**

Joe Curtis reported that a Homeland Security grant was issued to Washoe County to a hire consultant to create a statewide disaster recovery plan. Vendor is E&E. Joe will be working on this project.

Public Warning grant for development of public warning systems such as WEA and EAS. This grant provided some equipment for our local cable company.

EMCC involvement

In February EM Conference in Gardnerville.

Putting together the Nevada Emergency Preparedness Association. About 15 years ago a similar organization. This will be open to Emergency Management in the public and private sectors. Quarterly meetings. Work on providing training.

Attend SERC Meetings

## **COOPERATING LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORT ON ACTIVITIES**

- Chris Smallcomb- brought handout. Pretty well on snow pack average to slightly above. Gave overview on weather. Storm Ready County. Pat- operator's agreement for Truckee River. Chris said it increases flexibility of storing water. Pat- thank you for daily updates.
- Dave Ballard incident at Tesla and called from a VOIP phone and went to Santa Clara and then transferred to Storey County.
- Melanie Keener provided the following comments in an email and Joe Curtis read into the record.

I wanted to make sure that all are aware our deputy is doing very well after the officer involved shooting incident on January 2, 2016. The Sheriff's Office would like to thank the support that has been expressed by the community and other county departments. We have our new radios which were purchased through the grant thanks to LEPC. Five radios were issued out to the night shift deputies and thankfully, one was being utilized by the deputy involved in the shooting. We are very appreciative of the radios! The community will be seeing a few new faces in the Sheriff's Office as we recently hired Harry Schroeder to the patrol division and Nick Lazzarino within the detention facility. Both come to us with impressive military backgrounds and currently in their field training programs, with an expected completion within late February. Schroeder is a resident of the county and Lazzarino, although not a resident, has strong ties to the community programs and the school district.

This year the Sheriff's Office has joined the state Joining Forces program which involves a series of events throughout the year in which law enforcement officers work grant funded overtime during the events to enforce traffic laws including speed, driving while under the influence, and seatbelt violations to name but a few. We have been successful in fulfilling our part during this event. The events phases are sent to the local newspapers to inform the public.

The Sheriff's Office encourages drivers to slow down during the winter months and would like to thank Mike Nevin and the Storey County Public Works Department for doing a great job this winter. Six Mile Canyon, which is normally a beast in the snow and ice, has been made much safer through Public Works' efforts and it is greatly appreciated. NDOT has also done a great job on the State Routes!

- Pat Whitten- the facility that this meeting is being held in was built in 2007 26,000 sq ft. FD here 4 personnel. Ladder truck should be coming in soon next couple months. Purchased by funds from Tesla. Multi-purpose area central office transportation. SWITCH a tenant. Speed is fast. Meeting room available for close to 100, schedule

through community development. Public works, road equipment. Renown has urgent care open on USA parkway, Dentist opening in February. Hotels, gas stations in the works to be built. At the Waltham exit that land was previously in Washoe County, legislature authorized Storey and Washoe to exchange lands. Prime services such as retail services

- Dave Ballard reported that many accidents have occurred on the interstate. Upgraded 911 system to next generation wireless. Give GPS location. Towers along I-80 filled paperwork with FCC to make those compatible to route to the correct locations. Storey is the 1<sup>st</sup> county in the state to have the new ATT phone system. A very robust system. 911 routing should be better. Code Red reverse 911. If you have VOIP phones get in touch with Dave to make sure that info is in system, all cell phones. Can log into the county website to sign up for the system. Quad County Microwave system, NDOT has stepped in to do some funding to get repairs made. Cross Band repeaters, DPS is also stepping in on the project. State forming a 911 Subcommittee.
- Ed Harris- James Hardie had no spills. Entrance and exit onto freeway increased traffic. Pat traffic congestion issues. NDOT is responsible for USA Parkway. Hopefully a traffic study done. Traffic lights and high speed roundabouts being looked at. Being worked on.
- Karen Allen- drafting an infection control plan. Revision of the Ebola Virus Disease response plan. Regional pharmaceutical and surge plan. Trying to determine what pharmaceutical assets are in communities that are available Strategic National Stockpile. Working with the retail pharmaceutical association.
- Dean Haymore- gave overview of new companies, Jet.com, Aqua Metals, Switch, Tesla, AZZ, Dentist, Service Center for Tesla, BI Nutraceuticals, Smurf Plant by the landfill Fulcrum.
- Randy Behl- American Red Cross disaster warehouse facility, this is one of 5 facilities. Services pacific west coast and Hawaii.
- Marena Works- NV Health Centers. Opened Clinic in VC Primary Care facility. Thursdays well checks in Lockwood.
- Jim Regan- Pat thanked Jim for being good to work with. Pat said good alerts for power outages.

#### **REVIEW ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENTS THAT HAVE OCCURRED SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THIS COMMITTEE**

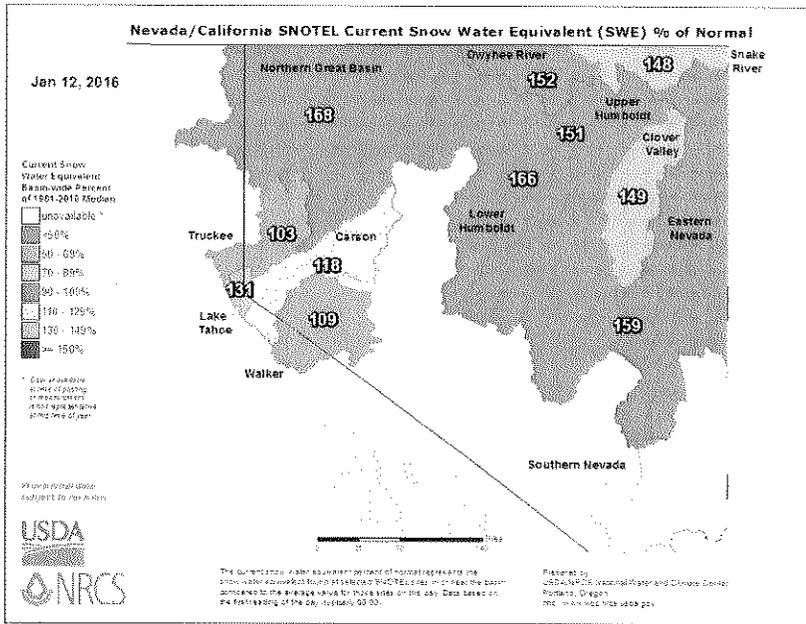
None to report.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at by John Michael Mendoza at 11:51 a.m. This motion was seconded by Hugh Gallagher.

*Please note that these minutes are not verbatim and are presented in summary format. These are draft minutes and will be submitted for approval at our next LEPC meeting.  
Respectfully Submitted by: Cherie Nevin*

# Winter 2015-16 – Past & Future



## 3 Things – Where Have We Been?

- Frequent, cold low to moderate intensity storms yielded **above average snowpack** for northern Sierra and much of Nevada. Need big storms in Jan/Feb to keep that up!
- **Influence** of strong El Niño has been **limited** so far, with a more northerly storm track on average. Southern Sierra not doing as well. Past strong El Niño's – mixed snowpack-wise for the Sierra.
- Many low intensity storms have had **major travel impacts** - less predictable, taken less seriously.

## 3 Things – Where Are We Going?

- **Busier than last winter!** Simulations favor continued active storm track into CA/NV through at least March with **periodic storms of varying intensity**. Snow levels uncertain – plan on warm or cold storms.
- Strong El Niño's historically have not produced major river floods. Ongoing severe drought and ample reservoir storage **lessen risk of big river floods**. Probability of major snow, wind storms, and prolonged inversion events is **unknown**.
- **Water supply** for summer is looking **near average**. Trending down however – we need those big storms!

