



SOUTH FLORIDA LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE - DISTRICT 11

MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2013 @ 10:00 AM

South Florida Regional Planning Council

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1. Welcome and Opening Remarks

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by Exercise Subcommittee Chair Juan Farach.

2. Introductions

In attendance were HazMat Plan Chair Miguel Ascarrunz, James Baptiste, Niel Batista, Planning Subcommittee Chair Eric Borbe, Bob Christensen, Training Subcommittee Chair and SERC TTF Rep Mike DiGiovanni, Larry Doyle, Exercise Subcommittee Chair Juan Farach, Jaimie Johnson, Nick Kontax, Ray McDonald, Yvette McLeod, David Ostrander, Jeffry Peleg, Gregory Thompson, Irene Toner (via conference call), Jose Torres and Anthony Trim. Also in attendance were Vince Cesario, Mike Geier, Alvaro Tonanez and Bill Huff.

3. Previous Meeting Summary

The draft minutes from the May 22, 2013 meeting were moved by Larry Doyle, seconded and approved unanimously.

4. Subcommittee Reports

Training Subcommittee (Mike DiGiovanni)

Chair Mike DiGiovanni reported on the August 20 Training Subcommittee meeting. The subcommittee members discussed the results of the annual training needs survey, including requests for HAZWOPER Refresher, DOT HazMat, CAMEO/ALOHA, Chemical Compatibility and Hazardous Waste Regulations for Generators classes. Conversations are ongoing with Pete Tyson (FKAA in Marathon), Chief Bridenburg (Hollywood Fire Rescue), Kelly Keys (Broward Health), Chief Marston (Monroe County Fire Rescue) and others to bring training to their respective agencies. The Subcommittee recommended that the Committee authorize the Coordinator to work with the Chair and Vice Chair as needed to organize, coordinate and schedule training as budget allows. A motion was made by Jeffry Peleg in support of the Subcommittee recommendation. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

Exercise Subcommittee (Juan Farach, Chair)

Exercise Chair Juan Farach reminded the members that this is a Biennial Exercise year and the need for their participation in the planning process. Meetings will begin in the next few weeks. Jeffry Peleg offered assistance with resources for the exercise. Vince Cesario mentioned the USCG's Prep exercise next July 10 and Miguel Ascarrunz discussed Broward EMA's full scale EOC/IMT event in January 2014.



Planning Subcommittee (Eric Borbe, Chair)

The Planning Subcommittee scheduled a meeting immediately following this meeting to discuss member participation in the current project, Hazards Analysis Summary. All members are welcome. Mr. Borbe indicated that since this is a biennial exercise year, the Subcommittee is recommending the selection of the **Plan an Exercise** option for the HMEP Planning Project and merging Planning Subcommittee activities with those of the Exercise Subcommittee for the duration of the project. Gregory Thompson moved the recommendation, which was seconded by Ray McDonald and passed unanimously.

5. **Membership Changes (Manny Cela)**

There were no membership changes at this meeting.

6. **HazMat Emergency Response Plan Update (Miguel Ascarrunz, Chair)**

Mr. Ascarrunz indicated that in addition to having the HazMat Plan available on the SoFlaLEPC website, it had also been uploaded to the Broward WebEOC document library. Mr. Cela notified the members that FDEM had found the Plan in compliance and thanked the Chair and Subcommittee members for their assistance.

7. **Selection of SERC Thomas Yatabe Award and Certificates of Appreciation recipients**

The Chair and Coordinator recommended that the Committee select Alain Donderiz from Miami-Dade DERM as this year's nominee for the SERC Thomas Yatabe Award. Mr. Donderiz has been instrumental in coordinating the training of nearly 500 county staff over the past five years. As an indication of the importance that member participation is for the Committee, it was recommended that SERC Certificates be presented to the seven members who have attended 20 or more meetings: Eric Borbe, Bob Christensen, Larry Doyle, Gary Koen, Nick Kontax, Ray McDonald and Jeffrey Peleg. The recommendations were moved by Juan Farach, seconded and passed unanimously.

8. **SoFlaLEPC Coordinator Report (Manny Cela)**

Mr. Cela provided an update on E-Plan and FDEM's plans to continue its use for Tier2 submittals.

9. **Members Comments and Presentations**

Mike Geier, Radiological Emergency Preparedness Planner and EOC Coordinating Officer for Palm Beach DEM, had a very interesting and informative presentation titled **Recognition and Initial Response Actions to an Improvised Nuclear Device Detonation**.

Vince Cesario discussed ongoing USCG activities and Jeffrey Peleg commented on the recent Governor's Hurricane Conference.

10. **Upcoming Meetings**

The next SoFlaLEPC meeting will take place November 20, 2013 at the SFRPC Hollywood Office.

11. **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.