



## SOUTH FLORIDA LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, November 20, 2024 @ 10:00 AM

at

Monroe County Emergency Management (EOC), 7280 Overseas Hwy, Marathon, FL 33050 (305) 289-6075

<https://monroecountyem.com/1324/Emergency-Management>

Group Rate Code: "LEPC" for [Faro Blanco Resort by Hilton](#), 1996 Overseas Hwy, Marathon, 33050

Book direct (305) 434-9050 (Anna Lawrence). Check-in 19 Nov. Check-out 20 Nov.

**This meeting will be conducted *IN-PERSON*.**

**Hybrid Zoom provided as secondary option to join the meeting via computer, tablet, smartphone.**

LEPC Chair, Chief Russo is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

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**Note:** Action items requiring a vote are notated, shown with a red bullet ("•")

### 1. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance (Chair)

### 2. Meeting Instructions

To join the meeting on time in hybrid you may need to register in advance. When joining via hybrid, please un/mute microphone accordingly.

### 3. Roll Call



Coordinator will take attendance.

- **4. Approval of minutes from the August 21, 2024, SoFlaLEPC Meeting (see attached)**
  
- 5. Membership Changes (Chair)**
  - N/A
  
- 6. Chair's Report (LEPC Chair, Chief Russo)**
  - State Emergency Response Commission
    - October SERC meeting cancelled due to hurricane response
      - Meeting agenda items moved to January for TTF, LEPC, SERC to coincide with 2025 Hazmat Symposium
      - Sept 12-13, 2024, Li-ion Symposium, Florida State Fire College - Region 10 engagement
    - Update of Staff Activities and Reports by Section
      - FDEM Risk Management Program in Region 10 – seeking hazmat team participation
        - March 18-20, 2025: Allied Universal, Miami; U.S. Cold Storage, Medley; Miami Freezer Facility, Medley
      - Chief Financial Officer (CFO) & State Fire Marshal Jimmy Patronis, Florida Office of Insurance Regulation, Fire Safety Alert during hurricane response:
        - *Lithium-ion Batteries are Ticking Time Bombs in Wake of Hurricane Helene* issued to warn residents and first responders about an alarming fire hazard with lithium-ion batteries, electric, hybrid and fuel cell vehicles
        - Confirmed 16 lithium-ion battery fires related to storm surge from Helene, with six of those fires associated with EVs
        - Coordinating with National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for guidance on proper lithium-ion battery disposal
    - FEMA National Exercise Program TTX
      - Update on Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan (HMERP) Concept & Objectives Virtual Meeting w key stakeholders/champions
  
- 8. Planning & Training Working Group Report (Vice Chair, Battalion Chief Brown)**
  - PEAC WMD status update
  - 3-Year Course Plan in progress: 8-hr Propane Incidents Response, 24-hr Propane Response 101 to Advanced Tactics, 8-hr Rapid ID & Hazards Analysis, 160-hr Hazmat Technician, 3-Hr. Operations Level Responding to Gasoline Tanker Truck Emergencies, Technician Tanker & Flare off
  - 2025 Hazmat Symposium, [www.flhazmatsymposium.org](http://www.flhazmatsymposium.org), Jan 14-17, 2025, Daytona Beach.
  - Southeast Florida Clean Cities Coalition, Alisha Lopez, Director, Grant updates on 2025 Alternative Fuels training opportunities, hydrogen highlights, DOT-DOE-EPA sustainable aviation fuels, NADO Award

Training (Vice Chair, Battalion Chief Brown)



- RESCHEDULED: Tanker Rollover Training, Oriana Gonzalez, Cliff Berry, Inc., Feb 4-6, 2025, at Broward Fire Academy.
- RESCHEDULED: Pipeline Safety Training, Paradigm Liaison Services, representing hazardous liquid and natural gas pipelines in Florida, Dec 18, 2024
- TODAY! Best Practices & Initial Actions for EV Incidents training, Monroe County EM/EOC, 1330 to 1600. General info, initial tactics, case study of thermal runaway in saltwater, reporting guidelines, ways SERC/SFM Lithium-Ion Task Force is addressing issues, Q & A session to discuss products, SOGs & more

Exercise (Vice Chair, Battalion Chief Brown)

- TENTATIVE RESCHEDULED: U.S. Coast Guard Sector Miami, Semi-Annual Area Committee Meeting & PREP TTX Dec 5\*, 2024, Broward OEM\*, Plantation, 0900-1130\* (tentative - date, location, time)
- RESCHEDULED: Transportation Community Awareness Emergency Response (TRANSCAER) Mar 4-6, 2025, NH<sub>3</sub> live drill in partnership w Airgas, Publix
- FEMA National Exercise Program for HMERP TTX - regularly scheduled virtual planning meetings with key members & stakeholders

**9. SoFlaLEPC Coordinator Report (Charlene Burke)**

- 2025 South Florida LEPC Meeting Dates: Feb 19, May 21, Aug 20, Nov 19
- On Sept 11, 2024, LEPC Coordinator statewide meetings
- On Sept 24, 2024, LEPC staff participated in Operation Hellcat functional exercise with Broward Emergency Response Team (BERT) at Broward County OEM in Plantation.

**10. Member Comments**

**11. Public Comments**

**12. Administrative Items (see attachments and/or links)**

- [SERC Minutes](#)
- 2025 South Florida LEPC Meeting Dates
- EPA's SERC-TERC (Aug-Oct) Updates
- CFO Patronis – Fire Safety EV Tips, Manufacturers Fire Safety Alert
- State Fire Marshal – li-ion post hurricane
- Best Practices & Initial Actions for EV Incidents
- National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) Impact Award
- FDNY [B-roll](#) video on li-ion fires
- BioWatch Factsheet
- [20 Years of the National Incident Management System](#) (NIMS) report
- FEMA Establishes National Disaster and Emergency Management University
- PHMSA Check-the-Box: li-ion battery, dry ice, aerosols, flammable liquids, rail car response & more



- [HURREVAC](#): HURREVAC is the decision support tool of the [National Hurricane Program](#), administered by FEMA, the USACE, and the NOAA National Hurricane Center that provides program access and technical support for emergency management. Access [program overview](#) or [training videos](#) and [registration](#).
- 2024 [Emergency Response Guidebook](#) (ERG)
  - ERG for [iOS app](#)
  - ERG for [Android app](#)
  - ERG PDF-Accessible ([English](#))
  - GMU2024 PDF – Accessible ([Français](#))
  - GRE2024 PDF – Accessible ([Español](#))

### 13. **Upcoming Meetings**

- **2025** South Florida LEPC Meeting Dates: Feb 19, May 21, Aug 20, Nov 19
- Next SoFlaLEPC Meeting – Feb 19, 2025 @ SFRPC (hybrid: in-person & Zoom)
- Next SERC/LEPC/TTF Quarterly Meeting – Jan 13-14, Daytona Beach
  - Training Task Force – Jan 13, 2024 @ 0930
  - Local Emergency Planning Commission – Jan 13, 2024 @ 1330
  - State Emergency Response Commission – Jan 14, 2024 @ 0930

### 14. **Adjourn**

- Motion to adjourn meeting