



## SOUTH FLORIDA LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, February 18th, 2026 @ 10:00 AM

at

South Florida Regional Planning Council  
One Oakwood Blvd, Suite 250, Hollywood, FL 33020  
[www.soflalepc.org](http://www.soflalepc.org)

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

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

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**Note:** Action items requiring a vote are shown with a red bullet (“●”)

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

**2. Meeting Instructions**

To join the meeting on time in hybrid, you must register in advance. When joining in hybrid, please turn on cameras & mute/unmute accordingly.

**3. Roll Call**

The LEPC Coordinator will take attendance.



4. **Approval of Draft Minutes from the November 12, 2025, SFLEPC Meeting**
5. **Filling Vacancies and Enhancing Participation (Chair)**
  - **Membership Changes**
    - Russell Accardi (Member), Edward Wolff (Alternate), L2 Defense, Inc.
    - Carolina Rincon-Beltran (Alternate) to Natasha Strokin (Member), Memorial Healthcare System
  - **Innovative Ideas for the 2025-2026 Year**
6. **Presentations**
  - **TIME APPROXIMATE: 10:20 am – Presentation by Wayne Bailey**, Blue Ridge Mountain Drones, on Drones in Hazardous Materials & Emergency Management. This presentation will provide an overview of the value of unmanned aircraft systems in preparedness, response, and recovery – from incident surveying and search and rescue to training, community coordination, and post-disaster assessment.
7. **Chair’s Report**
  - **January 2026 SERC Meeting**  
Statewide Training Task Force (TTF)
    - Project Boxes:
      - Electric Vehicle Working Group
      - HazMat Emergency Response Team Assessments
      - Offshore HazMat Program
      - Training Courses Identification
    - Thomas Yatabe Award: BSO Captain Virginio Gallardo
8. **Vice Chair’s Report**
  - **Planning**
    - FEMA National Exercise Program TTX Update on the Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan (HMERP).



- **Training**

- PEAC WMD training is available/ongoing online for the Region 10 regional Special Operations teams.
- January 13-16, 2026: HazMat Symposium Training
- Offshore HazMat operational 3-day training courses scheduled for April/May 2026 at the Resolve Marine Academy in Fort Lauderdale.

- **Exercise**

- Special Operation Teams: FIFA World Cup-related Hazardous Materials Mass Casualty Decontamination Operation (proposed full-scale exercise)
  - Hands-on, decon truck, 50-60 participants, engine company followed by HazMat teams
  - Call for exercise planning team
- FY 25-26 PHMSA approval for HazMat Grant Courses/Equipment
  - Hazmat 24-hr. Tactical Air Monitoring, 12-hr. 4-Gas Meter Air Monitoring for First Responders, Alternative Fueled Vehicles (AFV) Specialist Course, 1000 Gallon Training Center Prop, Hazmat Rehabilitation Trailer, etc.

## 9. **Coordinator's Report**

- **2026 HazMat Symposium**

- The annual Hazmat Symposium was held in Daytona Beach from January 13-16<sup>th</sup>, the South Florida LEPC was able to sponsor 28 students. There was a total of 399 registered students that collectively attended 76 training sessions on various topics ranging from HazMat incident and technical rescue to air monitoring, lithium-ion fire, propane response, alternative fuel, tactical chemistry, and much more.

- **Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan (ERP)**

- 2025 FDEM-approved version will be distributed for stakeholder review and opened for public comments/suggested edits. Stakeholder comments will be due by April 15<sup>th</sup> and ERP Presentation will be held at the May 2026 LEPC Quarterly meeting.



- **Tier II Reporting**

- The annual deadline for filing Tier II reports for the previous year is March 1<sup>st</sup>. Florida utilizes the E-Plan Online Database for all filing and fee collection.

**10. Member Comments**

**11. Public Comments**

**12. Administrative Items**

- [SERC Meeting Materials – November 2025](#)
- [2025 Hazmat Medic State of Florida](#)
- [EPA’s SERC-TERC Updates – September 2025 Newsletter](#)
- [EPA Consolidated List of Lists](#)
- [Florida EPCRA How to Comply Manual – 2025 Revision](#)
- [2024 Emergency Response Guidebook](#)
  - [ERG PDF-Accessible \(English\)](#)
  - [GMU2024 PDF – Accessible \(Français\)](#)
  - [GRE2024 PDF – Accessible \(Español\)](#)

**13. Upcoming Meeting**

The next SFLEPC Meeting is scheduled for May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

● **14. Adjournment**