

GRANT COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE WARDEN CHAPTER

The Warden Chapter of the Grant County LEPC held their monthly meeting at the Corral Restaurant in Warden on August 13, 2008 at 12:00 pm.

Attendance:

Mike Thompson	City of Warden
Bob Bernard	Washington Potato Co
Steve Rivedal	Washington Potato Co
Randy Carvo	Ochoa Foods
Annette Herup	Ochoa Foods
Sandra Sheldon	Warden School District
Sam Lorenz	Grant County Emergency Management
Sandi Duffey	Grant County Emergency Management

The meeting was called to order by Sam Lorenz at 12:10 pm followed by introductions.

Election of officers:

Sam mentioned that Randy Wiggins offered to Chair the meetings however he would not be present during the August meeting. The Vice Chair and Secretary positions are vacant and elections for those positions will take place in September.

Hazardous Materials Spills:

A report on May 12th from Conagra Foods in Quincy of an ammonia release from a relief valve on a compressor was made. The spilled amount was under the reportable quantity. The cause of the incident is under investigation. The discharge is isolated in a room within the facility.

A report was made on July 8th of a truck accident. The truck rolled over but there was no damage to the tank and no release. This accident occurred 14 miles west of Coulee City on Highway 2. The truck was carrying Anhydrous Ammonia.

A report was made on July 18th of spraying in the 1000 Trails Campground. The anonymous caller claimed that a helicopter was spraying malathion on the campground. The department of agriculture is investigating this complaint.

TIER II Reporting Compliance:

Grant County Emergency Management offers TIER II training annually for the facilities that need to report or have questions. This training is usually offered in the spring. If you need assistance with completing the forms please contact Sadie Whitner at swhi461@ecy.wa.gov.

Building the Warden Chapter:

Please contact Sandi (sduffey@co.grant.wa.us) with any leads with potential LEPC members to include in our meetings and mailings.

Activities that the Warden Chapter would like to participate in:

- ❖ Warden School District participates in drills regularly, this school year they are considering activating their new phone warning system
- ❖ A Community Forum on Shelter in Place with translations in Spanish, Shelter in Place video done in Spanish

Agenda Items:

Please submit agenda items to Sandi, sduffey@co.grant.wa.us by Monday, September 8th for the next LEPC meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandi Duffey
Acting Secretary

Next Meeting:
September 10, 2008
Corral Restaurant, 12:00 pm
No host lunch