



Grant County LEPC

Local Emergency Planning Committee

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WARDEN CHAPTER

Members in Attendance:

The Warden Chapter of the Grant County LEPC held their monthly meeting at the Grant County Fire District #4 facility in Warden on May 13, 2009.

GCDF#4

Randy Wiggins

I. Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Randy and introductions were made.

City of Warden

Mike Thompson

II. Approval of Minutes

Washington Potato

Steve Rivedal

The minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by Mike to accept the minutes as written, the motion was seconded by Dave, motion passed. The agenda was reviewed and no changes were needed.

Western Polymer

Tim Johnson

III. Hazardous Materials Spills:

April 9 & 22, Grant Coulee Dam, oil spill, absorbents applied.

Warden School District

Dave Whitley

April 23, Eka Chemicals, 100 gallons of sodium chlorate spilled, release secured. While unloading a truck the automatic valve shut off and there was a spill of materials from secondary containment.

Lamb Weston

Randy Carvo

April 30, REC Silicon, employee was burned from hot oil being sprayed. Employee taken to Samaritan Hospital.

Washington State L&I

John McFadden

Follow up report from the July 30, 2008 meeting on the spraying in the 1000 Trails Campground on July 18, 2008. The Washington State Department of Agriculture sent a copy of their Investigation Report (110-2008) with no violations noted.

IV. Old Business:

Grant County Health District

Joy Reese

Theresa Fuller

Community Plans, developing a community plan, what is the next step. The suggestion to use the Grant County plan as the base was made and to build from that plan for the Warden Community. Randy will take a look at the plan and prepare discussion for next month's meeting. It was recommended that Industry do plan reviews at the LEPC meetings.

Grant County Emergency Management

Sam Lorenz

Sandi Duffey

Warden LEPC Public Meeting, a date of June 23 from 6-7pm (open house) and following the city council meeting with the LEPC presentation. Location needs to be confirmed, use of the Community Center was suggested. Mike will check on

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location and with city council for date and times.

V. New Business:

Health District Update, the health district recommends that industry evaluate their emergency plans to include for a pandemic. Grant County has received 25% of their allocation from the Strategic National Stockpile for the Swine flu. Region 7 Health is preparing for their continued exercise of the earthquake scenario, the next step will be a functional exercise, main objective for these exercises is the use of Memorandums of Understanding. Swine flu update, the health district has been keeping in contact with the Health Care Emergency Alliance and First Responders of Grant County. Dr Brzezny has coordinated conference calls with these agencies for informational updates and to insure rumor control. There are no reported cases in Grant County however specimens have been sent in to the State Health lab for testing. Swine flu is easily transmitted, it is recommended that you cover your cough, wash your hands, and send employees home if they are ill.

Warden Development Committee Update, next Wednesday Emergency Management will update the committee on the Warden LEPC Chapter.

Consider Your Risk, lessons learned from a fire at Columbia Colstor in Quincy. Some of the lessons learned after the fire:

Exposed phone lines

Plastic burn barrels vs. metal trash cans with lids

Sprinkler systems and radio equipment

These items have now been remedied but should be considered when walking in your facilities.

VI. June Agenda Items

Presentation of Columbia Colstor plan, Community Planning

Next Meeting
June 10, 2009 at 9:00 am
GCFD #4

Respectfully submitted,

Sandi Duffey

Grant County LEPC Secretary

