

GRANT COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MOSES LAKE CHAPTER

The Moses Lake Chapter of the Grant County LEPC held their monthly meeting at the Grant County Public Utility District #2 office located on 3rd Ave in Moses Lake on February 12, 2009 at 11:00 A.M.

Attendance:

Sharon Southwick	Samaritan Hospital Emergency Dept
Brett Devries	Yellowstone Pipeline
Mike Sharp	Yellowstone Pipeline
Luis Guerrero	Western Polymer
Don Sell	Western Polymer
Joy Reese	Grant County Health District
Greg Wright	Grant Transit Authority
David Moore	Grant County PUD
David Dorman	Grant County PUD
Leonard Johnson	Grant County Fire Dist # 5
Kurt Atkinson	Washington State Patrol
Cindy Carter	Grant County BOCC
Clint Lozar	Genie Industries
Michele Haase	Genie Industries
Dorothy Peterson	Williams Pipeline
Travis Skidmore	REC Silicon
Jon Mathis	REC Silicon
Pete Wicks	General Dynamics
Rick TrenBreth	Takata
Sam Lorenz	Grant County Emergency Management
Michele Haughton	Grant County Emergency Management

The meeting was called to order by Joy Reese at 11:00 am.

Minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by Travis to accept the minutes as written, the motion was seconded by Jon, motion was passed.

Hazardous Material Spills:

No spills to report.

Old Business:

Telephone Notification System (TNS) is fully operational; the T-1 phone lines are connected to the system and functioning properly DEM office has received new phone lines for their office. The next step is to do public education and marketing, hosting of public meetings and media.

Jon discussed using the TNS in place of the Red Phone System that they currently support. They are requesting the support of the LEPC and to start the

planning process.

New Business:

Health District update, Joy reported Avian influenza has infected turkeys at a farm in the Fraser Valley near Abbotsford, B.C. The virus is a low-pathogenic form of Avian Influenza called H5N2, which is not the virus CDC experts are concerned with spreading to humans and causing a worldwide influenza pandemic. That virus is called H5N1. Around 60,000 birds on the farm were destroyed during the last week of January. Surveillance is being conducted in Whatcom County, WA in order to determine if the virus is spreading. So far, there are no positive tests for H5N2 presence in birds in Whatcom County.

Region Seven Healthcare will be conducting an exercise February 19, 2009. The objectives of the exercise are to bring together the regions hospitals, clinics, medical services and county Emergency Management for the purpose of exercising the new "Regional All Hazards Memorandum of Understanding".

Presentation:

Dorothy Peterson gave the members an overview of the Williams Pipeline 'Call Before You Dig' presentation. Dorothy has conducted this presentation for School District.

811 has been federally mandated as a number for the public to call to report their intention to dig. By calling the 811 number you are connected to 24 hour monitoring center. They are required to call 2 business days before they beginning digging operations.

Thank you Dorothy!

Agenda Items for March:

Goals & Objectives for 2009

"Shelter in Place" presentation to the public.

The next meeting is scheduled for:

March 12, 2009 at the Grant County PUD auditorium at 11:00 a.m.

Please submit agenda items to sduffey@co.grant.wa.us by 5p.m. on Tuesday March 10, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

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