



Joint Benton/Franklin Local Emergency Planning Committee March 7, 2023, Meeting Minutes

- I. Meeting was called to order by Sean Davis, Franklin County Emergency Management, at 10:03 AM.

Sean Davis - Franklin County Emergency Management welcomed all to the meeting, gave quick safety briefing for the facility.

LEPC Members Present:

Eli Elisondo – HSSE – Christensen
Deanna Davis – Benton County Emergency Management
Sean Davis, Franklin County Emergency Management
Doug Frenette- US Ecology
Mike Aman – Republic Services Richland (US Ecology Inc.)
Clifford Elliot – Americold
Beki Hammons – Kadlec
Dan Anderson – Marathon
Chad Messerly – Harms Pacific Transport
Eli Brackenbury – Ingredient
Rocky Mullen – Franklin County Commissioner
Clint Didier- Franklin County Commissioner
Chris Lee – Franklin County Emergency Management
Kayla Berryhill – Franklin County Emergency Management
Kurtis Myers - Lamb Weston
Adam Crippen – Racom
Carli Luppold - Benton County Emergency Management
Jordan Hanes- Benton County Emergency Management
Mike Harris - Franklin County Fire Department #3
Katy Branham - NWS
Jared Simmons – Nutrien Ag Solutions
Megan Woods – Franklin County Emergency Management
Emily Hanson – Lamb Weston
Susan Forsythe – Washington State Emergency Management
Steve Ferraro- Franklin PUD
Stephanie Hakala- Washington State Emergency Management
Diane Fowler- US Ecology
Jeremy Turner- WA DOC
Jeff Deist – Framatome
Kathy Wyatt – Lamb Weston
Don Lathim – Twin City Foods
Jeremy Beck – PNNL
Jean – Lourdes
Jeremy Long –
David A. -



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- II. Jeremy Beck Moved to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2022 meeting. Eli Elisondo seconded the motion. Motion Carried
- III. New Business
- SERC Update – Chief Harris updated the LEPCs on the status of the SERC and issues concerning the rise of lithium battery fires.
- Susan Forsythe reported on the LEPC Tribal Conference for 2023.
- April 25th, 2023 – April 27th, 2023, at the Three Rivers Convention center, in Kennewick, WA. Registration link available at https://reg.learningstream.com/reg/event_page.aspx?ek=0038-0021-b9478a15e5f84d1588779d3d9d0356f4
 - East Side Hazmat Conference, May 5th, 2023 – May 7th, 2023, Spokane Fire Training Center. Registration link available at https://reg.learningstream.com/reg/event_page.aspx?ek=0038-0021-ef57cddf606a4f8296e289b03ec4b6e5
- IV. Tier II reporting update and information was provided by Diane Fowler. LEPC reports should be ready to send out to the local EMs within the month
- V. Round table – During Roundtable discussion:
- Chief Harris presented on the train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio.
 - April 26th, 2023 - Jeff Deist reported the Framatome Field Day Exercise.
 - Nutrien reported an ammonia release that occurred December 2022.
- VI. 2023 Benton/Franklin LEPC Meeting Schedule – 10:00am
- Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at BCEM
 - Thursday, September 7th, 2023 at FCEM
 - Thursday, December 7th, 2023 at BCEM
- VII. Next Benton/Franklin County LEPC Meeting:

June 6th, 2023
10:00 am – Benton County EOC
651 Truman Ave, Richland

- A. Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 10:41 AM