

We had a meeting of the Menominee County LEPC on 8/24/10 at the Spies Library from 10:00AM to approximately 11:00AM.

Tabletop Exercise June 14th---

We discussed our tabletop exercise of June 14th, and passed out the Exercise and Event Report to LEPC members attending. We had good participation by Menominee Police and Fire Departments, as well as County and City personnel needed in the event of an emergency. We had a total of 26 event participants, with only members for Public Information and Public Works were not attending, although LEPC members filled in that capacity for the exercise. Lt. Don Brown was lead evaluator for the event. The exercise covered Direction and Control, Warning Systems, Communications, Damage Assessment, Law Enforcement, Public Information, Fire Service, Public Works, Emergency Medical Systems, Public Health, Human Services, EOC Operation, and Resource Management functions. The goal of the activity, to exercise the various functions required for response to a spill of Sulfuric Acid near the Menominee Water Plant, was successful. With the exception of the missing personnel mentioned above, all exercise objectives were accomplished.

Future Exercises---

We will contact personnel at the Hermansville Dam and perhaps do a drill in September related to the dam.

We will contact the Railroad and hopefully be able to have a seminar on their extensive safety systems in October. More to come on both these exercises.

Off-Site Emergency Plans---

AT&T was added to our EHS/SARA list this year. We will begin putting a plan together for them, once we get their information.

Anchor Coupling's update is done, except for producing a CAMEO map for the facility. We hope to finish that up soon and submit the plan for approval.

8th District Homeland Security Grants---

The signage trailers have been ordered and are on their way, to be used when roads must be closed for various reasons, with signage and accessories for 24-hour use. Since they will be used routinely and yet kept as one unit with all items on the trailer returned, it will be available for emergency use without having to replenish supplies, and without having to train personnel specifically for emergency use when needed. Other projects are also proceeding, and paperwork is filed as necessary to keep the flow of materials for emergency services, critical communications, emergency power supplies, and emergency equipment for schools in the area.

E-Team Support---

This critical communication system connects our emergency personnel with resources across the country and throughout the UP. We are in the process of compiling a resource inventory for the E-Team network which will allow other counties to make use of our resources in an emergency, as well as inform us as to what is available in neighboring counties if we should have need for them.

Hazard Mitigation Plan---

This will need to be updated in the near future. We will contact CUPPAD soon to update the plan which they put together a few years ago.

LEPC attendance---We need to have all our members actively involved in the operation of the LEPC. Please make it a priority to attend, since a county emergency can come at any time and we all need to be working together to minimize loss of life and property in such an event. We are

grateful for the support we received in June from emergency and government personnel at the tabletop exercise. We do need the same kind of "across-the-board" commitment by all the players in these meetings, so we can all work together to accomplish all our many goals, to keep Menominee County safe and prepared for any emergency. In an effort to reach out to make the activities more accessible to people who cannot get away during the day or who have to travel some distance to attend LEPC meetings, we may schedule some activities at night or in various locations throughout the county. We need everyone on board and willing to go the distance to make our County LEPC the best that it can be. If you have any suggestions as to how we may more effectively accomplish this objective, please let us know with a call to Debra or myself at the numbers above or simply reply to this email.

Thank You.

Michael Shaffer, Chairperson

Menominee County LEPC

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