

# Joint Benton/Franklin Local Emergency Planning Committee June 4, 2026 Meeting Minutes

A. Meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM.

B. LEPC Members Present:

**In Person:**

Deanna Davis- Benton County Emergency Management  
Sean Davis - Franklin County Emergency Management  
Tony Bench - Benton County Emergency Management  
Suzy Arroyos – Franklin County Emergency Management  
Roberto Castaneda – Pasco Processing/Freeze pack  
Chief Mike Harris – Franklin County Fire Dist. #3  
Maaike Kortleever – Lineage  
David Li – Lamb Weston Pasco  
Shasta Grimes - Simplot  
Matthew Taylor – Oxarc  
Lui Carrasco – Marathon Petroleum  
Gerardo Gonzalez – FreezePack  
Dan Brown – CISA  
Andrey Sloboda – Lamb Weston  
Dan Anderson – Marathon  
Adam Martin – Lamb Weston – Richland  
Seth Bengé - Ecology  
Steven Thompson – Clean Harbors

**Online/Virtual:**

Stephanie Hakala – WA EMD/SERC  
K'Andre Stevens  
Kathy Wyatt – Lamb Weston/Columbia Basin Blends  
Keely Snow – Williams  
Mathew Decker – Pasco PD  
Mathew Zellen- XPO Logistics  
Melchor Garcilazo – Nutrien Ag Solutions  
Melissa Filmore – Graymar  
Michael Heffner – Kennewick Fire Chief/SERC Chairman  
Paul Carlyle –Chief, Benton County Fire Dist. #4  
Steve Ferrara – Franklin PUD  
Vasiliy Kravtsov – Treetop  
Vanessa O'Daniel – Dept of Ecology



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Jeremy Beck – PNNL  
Dorothy Trainer – Coyote Ridge Dept. of Corrections  
Alex Plummer – Tidewater  
Shanon Rozell – Republic Services  
Marissa Kelly - ARC  
Atencio Garcia – Lamb Weston – Paterson  
Diane Folwer – WA St. Ecology  
Brandon Gillilans – Ressers  
Chris Hawkins – Williams  
Brent Carlson – Coyote Ridge Dept. of Corrections  
Jared Simmons – Nutrien  
Katie Hall – ENW  
Emily Powers – WA State Ecology  
Jarred Simmons – Nutrien  
Mike Kelly – Safety Kleen  
Cheston Farly – Riverpoint Farms  
Andrew Erickson – JR Simplot  
Cliff Elliott – Americold Logistics  
Drew Jones  
Eli Bear – BFHD  
Kelly Harding – Tidewater  
Jen Carson Verdesian – Life Sciences  
Jeremy Gerard – Autozone Dist.  
Jeremy Long – Superintendent, Coyote Ridge Dept. of Corrections  
Jeri Brining – WA St. Ecology  
John Odental – Valley Agronomics

## C. New Business

- Approval of Minutes of March 5, 2026 meeting minutes, Jeremy Beck motioned to approve minutes as presented, Chief Mike Harris seconded, no discussion, motion approved unanimously.
- Stephanie Hakala presented updates on behalf of WA EMD and the SERC that covered a number of topics including: WAC 118.40 update, 2026 LEPC Conference recap, Hazmat Training conference to be held in Eastern Washington at the HAMMER Training Center in November.
- Diane Fowler presented on behalf of WA State Ecology and provided a presentation



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on propose EPCRA Revisions and timelines for adoption. She advised on SERC's options with regards to proposed changes. This will be a topic of discussion at future SERC meetings.

Those options were:

- ❖ Not to adopt changes
  - ❖ Adopt changes now (any or all) before the 2026 reporting season begins on Jan 1 2027
  - ❖ Adopt changes later
- Round Table
    - a. Spills/Response
      - ❖ Seth Benge with Wa State Dept of Ecology briefed on the spill report incidents in both Benton and Franklin
        1. Sean Davis – followed with information and discussion with Freeze Pak on their recent release of anhydrous.
    - b. Training Opportunities
      - i. No Reports
    - c. Exercises
      - i. Deanna Davis discussed some recent changes to CFR 40 Part 68.95 and 68.96 regarding emergency plans and exercises and extended an offer of assistance with any emergency field response or tabletop exercises.
  - Next Benton/Franklin County LEPC Meeting  
September 3, 2026 10:00 AM – Franklin County Emergency Management, 1011 E. Ainsworth Pasco.
- D. Adjournment  
Meeting was adjourned at 10:58 AM



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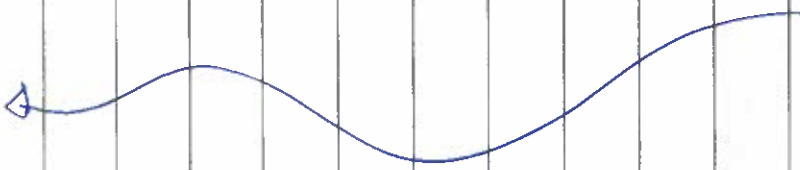
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Kathryn Wyatt	Lamb Weston Vendors		
K Andre Stevens	Williams		
Keely Snow	Pasco PD		
Matthew Decker	XP0 Logistics		
Matthew Zeller	XP0 Logistics		
Melchor Garcilazo	Nutrient AG Solutions		
Melissa Filmore	Grey M&E		
Michael Hether	City of Keno FD		
Paul Carlyle	Franklin PUD		
Steve Ferrara	Franklin PUD		
Vanessa O'Daniel	Dept. of Ecology		
Vasilij K	Tree Top		

Online:





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Dorothy Trainer	DOC- CERC	Virtual attendance	
Marissa Kelly	APC		
Sharon Ratzel	Richardson Public Services		
Ryan Miller	WA DBT		
MARISSA KELLY	ARC		
ATEMLIO GRACIA	LAMB WESTON-PATERSON		
DIANE FOWLER	WA SCROGY		
ALEXANDER PLUMMER	TIDEWATER		
BRAUDON GILLIARD	REZERS		
CHRIS HADKINS	Williams NORTHWEST		
BREUST CARSON	COULTE RIDGE		
JEREMY BECK	PAVUL		
JARED SUMMERS	NUTRIER		
MIKE KELLY	SAFETY KLEEN	✉	



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Cheston Farly	Riverpoint Farms	Virtual	
Andrew Erickson	JR Simplot Company		
Cliff Elliott	Americold Logistics		
Drew <del>Smith</del> Jones			
Eli Bear	BF Health District		
Kelly Harding	TideWater		
Emily Powers	dept. of ecology <sup>EPORA</sup> <del>EPRA</del>		
Jen Carson Verdesian	Life Sciences		
Jeremy Bernard	Autzone Distribution Center		
Jeremy Long	CCEC Superintendent		
Jeri Brining	dept. of ecology	Virtual	
John Orentall	Valley Dynamics		