



Joint Benton/Franklin Local Emergency Planning Committee June 7, 2022 Meeting Minutes

- I. Meeting was called to order by Deanna Davis, Benton County Emergency Manger, at 10:01 AM.

Ayodeji Arojo, Benton County LEPC Vice Chair, welcomed all to the meeting

LEPC Members Present:

Ayodeji Arojo – Ben Franklin Transit
Eli Elisondo – HSSE – Christensen
Deanna Davis – BCEM
Jordan Hanes – FCEM
Cpt. Bill Parramore – Pasco PD
Vince Papol – NWS - Pendleton
Mike Ault – U.S. Ecology
Rick Edwards – BFHD
Carli Luppold – BCEM
Tony Searls – Lamb Weston
Jared Simmons – Nutrien
Clifford Elliot – Americold
Bruce Dejong- Milne Fruit
Kelley Harding – Tidewater
Beki Hammons – Kadlec
Dan Anderson – Marathon
Mary Ramos – Energy Northwest
Michael Fernandez – Pasco Processing
Dave Canton - Bleyhl

- II. Jordan Hanes Moved to approved the minutes of the March 1, 2022 meeting, Cpt Bill Paramore seconded. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

- III. New Business

1. LEPC Tribal Conference – virtual Conference was held April 12-May 12 – recorded presentations links were sent via email to LEPC membership. If you would like the links sent again, please let either Benton or Franklin County Emergency know.

2. Exercises

- a. 5/11 Tidewater exercise – Kelly Harding reported the Tidewater Exercise



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was both a table top and small deployment exercise of spill control equipment. Ecology was present and exercise went well. Swift currents did present a bit of a challenge, but they were able to deploy spill equipment using slightly different tactics than when current is not as much of an issue.

- b. 5/24-26 BNSF exercise – no available BNSF representative present to report out.
 - c. 6/6-10 Franklin County PUD exercise - exercise was on-going at the time of the LEPC meeting – brief out on this for the next LEPC meeting
 - d. McNary Dam exercise scheduled for August 24, 2022
 - e. 9/21 Tri-City Airport exercise – This will be a functional exercise of a “simulated” plane crash with potential bomb threat. Planning team is meeting twice a month to organize the exercise that will take place on September 21, 2022.
2. CodeRED – A reminder/information about the Benton and Franklin County CodeRED Mass Notification system was provided. This system can assist in an emergency with providing information and instructions to people in specially targeted geographic areas. Both Benton and Franklin County Emergency can assist with any questions regarding CodeRED.
 3. Tier II Reporting - 2021 Tier II Reporting - deadline was March 1, 2021. This year there were a larger number of Tier II reports that were submitted to WA State Ecology but not submitted to the local LEPC. Please check to make sure you have sent your reports to all required parties.
LEPC Report submission – email .pdf preferred to:
sdavis@co.franklin.wa.us – Franklin
d.davis@bces.wa.gov - Benton
 4. Any Major Reported Spills / Leaks for discussion - no major spill reports to discuss.
 5. Round table – no round table discussions
 6. **2022** Benton/Franklin LEPC Meeting Schedule
 1. September 6th at FCEM - 1011 E Ainsworth Pasco WA 99301 @ 10:00 A.M.
 2. December 6th at BCEM

IV. Adjournment – meeting was adjourned at 10:22 A.M.