



Joint Benton-Franklin-Walla Walla Counties Local Emergency Planning Committee September 4, 2025 Meeting Minutes

A. Meeting called to order by Deputy Chief Chris Mortensen, B/F LEPC Chair, at 10:03 AM.

B. LEPC Members Present:

Attendees:

Angela Caldwell, WW LEPC	Sandi Duffey, Adams County EM
Angie Peters, Valley Transit	Scott LoParco, BCFD #1
Chris Mortensen, Pasco Fire	Steven Hughes, Regency at the Park
Brent Carlson, Coyote Ridge	Tony F, HFO
Brooks Stanfield, EPA	Beki Hammons, Kadlec Medical Center
Chad Messerly, Harms Pacific Transport	Clint Didier, FC Commissioner
David Evans, Oakdell Egg Farms	Nick Alvarado, Nutrien
Diane Fowler, Dept. of Ecology	Kathy Wyatt, Lamb Weston
Douglas Frenette, GM Republic Services	Dorothy Trainer, DOC Coyote Ridge
Erin Williams, EPA Region 10	Brent Keseman, CHS
Jason Clapp, USACE Walla Walla District	Tony Bench, BCEM
Jeff M, Virtual	Maaike Kortleever, Lineage
Jen Carson, Verdesian Life Sciences	John Busherd, Clean Harbors
Jeremy Gerard, Autozone	Junior Murden, Graymar Environmental
Marcus McCready, Ben-Franklin Transit	Jean Schalesky, Lourdes Medical Center
Michael Heffner, KFD/SERC Chair	Deanna Davis, BCEM
Michell Frost, USACE Walla Walla	Vasiliy Kravtson, Tree Top Inc.
Sierra Knutson, NWHRN	Dan Brown, DHS-CISA
Dustin Drout, WSP	Kelly Gilchrist, WA Ecology – Spills
Sandi Jacobson, WA Penitentiary	Roberto Castaneala, Pasco Processing
Larry Nierenberg, NWS Pendleton	Alyssa Munro, BFHD
Eli Bear, BFHD	Shasta Hay Grimes, Reser's Fine Foods
Carli Luppold, BCEM	Mike Harris, FCFD #3
Melissa Fillmore, Graymar Environmental	Dan Anderson, Marathon Pipeline
Esther Click, WESCOM	Sean Davis, FCEM
Megan Woods, FCEM	T Chris Lee, WWEM
Jordan Hanes, FCEM	Patrick Purcell, WWEM
Adam Martin, Lamb Weston	Sarah Ellis, Energy Northwest
Jared Simmons, Nutrien	George Ficene, Nutrien
Brenda Bamford, ALTC-Kennewick	Amber Leahy, Pacific Power
Stephanie Hakala, WA EMD	Heidi Cousens, WA Ecology
Jami Lewis, ALTC – Franklin/Pasco	



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C. New Business

1. Chief Mike Harris motioned to approve minutes from the March 6, 2025, meeting as presented. Jami Lewis seconded the motion, no discussion, motion approved unanimously.
2. Chief Mike Harris motioned to approve the Franklin County ESF-10 as presented for their 2025 update and review. Clint Didier seconded the motion, no discussion, motion approved unanimously.
3. Micheal Kemp, ISC, HMP/CWPP Project Lead, presented on the Franklin County Hazard Mitigation Plan and Community Wildfire Protection Plan, the process, status, mitigation projects and final review. He additionally reported that public meetings will be held that afternoon and encourage participation.
4. Erin Williams, US EPA Region 10, presented on the General Duty Clause, RMP, EPA site visit process, EPCRA and other EPA related items.
5. Stephanie Hakala, WA EMD briefed out on new SERC Board members, grant funding and related training items. SERC Chair Chief Michael Heffner introduced himself to the LEPCS.
6. Diane Fowler, WA Ecology, reported on Tier II reporting status and availability of the database in a few months that can be imported into the Cameo Suite. Diane also reported on the updates to the online app and password access.
7. The three Emergency Managers/LEPCs reported on the spills in the area over the last quarter. There were no other reports from LEPC membership

D. Adjournment

1. The next Benton/Franklin County LEPC meeting will be:
December 4th, 2025
10:00am – Benton County EOC
651 Truman Ave, Richland, WA 99352
2. Chief Harris motioned for meeting **adjourned at 11:09am**. Eli Bear seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.



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Chris Mortensen	PFD	FC
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Brooks Stanfield	Harms Pacific Transport	ALL
Chad Messerly		FC
David Evans	Oakdele Egg Farms	FC
Diana Fowler	Dept. of Ecology	ALL
Douglas Frenette	GM Republic Services	BC
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Michelle Frost	USACE Walla Walla	ALL COUNTIES
Pete		
Pete Harsin	WA Odd Fellows Home	WW
Rob Hewes	USACE Walla Walla	ALL
Sandi Duffey	Adams County EM	AC
Scott Lo Parco	BCFD1	BC
Steven Hughes	Regency at the Park	WW
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John Busherd	clean Harbors	FC
Junior Murchie	Gregory Environmental	
Sean Schenkler	LowDes	
Deanna Davis	BCEN	
Vasily Kravtsov	Tree Top Inc.	
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Sandi Jacobson	WA St. Penitentiary / Dept of Corrections	
Roberts Castaneda	Paxe Processing LLC / PSM Coordinator	
Larry Nierenberg	National Weather Service Bend/Ebon	
Alyssa Munns	Benton Franklin Health District	
Eli Bar	Benton - Franklin Health District	
Shasta Hay Grimes	Reser's Fine Foods	
Cami Luppold	Benton Co GM	
Mike Haeris	Franklin Co Fire District #3	FD
Melissa Fillmore	Grayman Environmental Services	
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Jordan Haines	FCEM	WW -FC
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Adam J. Martin	Lomp Weston Richland-PSM	BC
Sarah Ellis	Energy Northwest	BC
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Heidi Cousins	Ecology	Yakima
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