

**Mid-Valley LEPC Meeting**  
**Sunset Building**  
**4077 SW Research Way, Corvallis**  
**October 16, 2013**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**Minutes**

**Attendees:**

Lori Blau, Cascade Pacific Pulp  
Cynthia Choat, City of Halsey  
Scott Coffin, ATI Wah Chang  
Steve Curfman, NETL

Lorri Headrick, Albany Fire Dept.  
Michael Hurick, Disaster Consulting  
Darrel Tedisch, City of Albany

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the September 11, 2013, meeting were approved as submitted.

**Reports from Participating Organizations:**

**NETL** – Steve Curfman introduced himself as the new NETL representative on the LEPC, replacing Carol Schrems. He reported that they are 100 percent operational at this time and recently participated in a confined space exercise with Albany Fire Department.

**Linn County Public Health** – The Medical Reserve Corps exercise took place in Salem on October 12; no report yet on how it went.

**City of Albany** – Darrel Tedisch reported that City staff will be participating in the Great Oregon ShakeOut on October 17 at 10:17 a.m. to drop, cover, and hold on. Damage reporting will also be part of the drill, which is being used as a kick-off for the 2014 full-scale earthquake exercise being planned. Other organizations will be encouraged to participate in the 2014 exercise, which will include opening the City's Emergency Communications Center, damage assessment, debris management, sheltering, communications, and public information. Businesses will be expected to conduct self-assessments and report back to the City following an earthquake. The City's focus for assessment will be priority-based due to staffing limitations.

The City is hosting social media training by the National Disaster Preparedness Training Center on November 21 at City Hall. There is no cost for the class and participation is open to LEPC members. Registration for the training is done online at: [ndptc.hawaii.edu](http://ndptc.hawaii.edu). An information sheet and registration instructions are attached to these minutes.

**City of Halsey** – Mayor Choat reported that they have opened their new community center and City Hall. She offered to host a future LEPC meeting at that location.

**Albany Fire Department** – Darrel Tedisch reported that the Fire Department is purchasing 15 new radios through a grant to provide improved emergency communications with local law enforcement. Currently, Police and Fire operate with two different radio communications systems. The new radios will provide a temporary resolution until funding can support a new communications system for the Fire Department.

**Cascade Pulp** – Lori Blau reported that they will be conducting GHS training with their personnel in November.

**Workgroup Reports:** No reports.

**Information Coordinator Report:** No report.

**Local Exercises & Training:**

- LBVPPC Linn County Tabletop – October 24, 2013
- November Benton County Hazardous Materials TTX – November 14, 2013
- Benton County Vulnerable Population Full Exercise - December 18, 2013

**Old Business:**

- Election of LEPC Chair at January 2014 Meeting – Still looking for someone to step up for this position.
- Selmet Health and Safety Fair – There was a great turnout for the fair; it appeared that all Selmet employees participated.
- LBVPPC Benton County Tabletop – September 26, 2013 – Completed.

**New Business:**

- LEPC Plan – Received confirmation from the state that the LEPC's 2014 HMEP grant requests were approved. This will allow hiring a contractor to assist in developing the LEPC's emergency plan. Darrel recommended for the FY 2015 grant to request funding to hire an individual to assist with site disaster evacuation plans related to community impact, incorporating the Linn-Benton Alert System and evacuation routes.
- Annual Meeting – February 2014 – Need to establish an agenda for this meeting and publish a notice to the public.

**Good of the Order:**

Michael Hurick mentioned the need to deal with animals during a disaster in conjunction with human shelters. FEMA has an online training course, Animals in Disasters: Awareness and Preparedness. Link: <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/courseOverview.aspx?code=IS-10.a>

RAPTOR (Real Time Assessment and Planning Tool for Oregon) is a software program that enables authorized users within Oregon's emergency management community, and in bordering states and across the nation, to view and interact with critical geospatial basemaps, aerial imagery, preparedness, hazards, weather and event related data via the internet.

**Next Meeting:** November 13, 2013, 10:00 a.m., at Northwest Natural in Albany.

**Regular Meeting Adjournment:** 11:30 a.m.

Submitted by,

Lorri Headrick