Clark County Local Emergency Planning Committee



CLARK COUNTY FIRE ADMINISTRATION TELECONFERENCE

FINAL Minutes November 13, 2024 9:00 A.M.

LEPC ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS:

Billy Samuels, Diana Clarkson, Gary Stevenson, Randy Wilbanks, Jeremy Hynds, Mario Perez, James Rogers, Jim Owens, Misty Richardson, Bradley Iverson, Misty Robinson, Jason Manzo, Bowdie Young, John Tansley, Louise Hardy, Daniel Berc, Lucas Basham Murphy, Nina Perez-Payumo, Melanie Rouse, Karen Donnahie, John Turner, Lowel Smith.

ALTERNATES:

Ben Erickson, Ana Chavez, Alejandro Rodriguez, Josie Ross, Spencer Lewis, Skye Dunfield, Michael Atherall, Chris Batterman, Amber Stringer, Jeff Hanh, Robert Palumbo, Robin Davis.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Brian Arboreen, Sean Simoneau, Carolyn Levering, Greg Chesser, Ortary Davila, Lori Mack, Andrew Bennett, William West, Kathryn Foxworthy, Karen Beckley, Brian Mitchell, Tori Begay, Bryan Ostaszewski.

- I. Call to Order
 - Billy Samuels, LEPC Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM on Wednesday November 13th, 2024.
- II. Roll Call
 - Katya Collins, quorum present.
- III. Public Comments
 - No comments.
- IV. Comments from the Chair
 - The Chair reminded everyone how this was the last quarterly meeting for 2024. Working on keeping the regular maintenance meetings for 2025. Any mid cycle or change in grant funding, we will call to ad HOC meetings as well
 - The Chair commented Travis Anderon is retired, Ben Erickson is taking his
 place and if anyone had questions could work with Jeremy Hynds and Ben
 Erickson. The Chair welcomed and wished him good luck.
- V. * Review and Approve 04-16-2024 Meetings Minutes
 - Jeremy Hynds mentioned the August, 20 minutes. The Chair advised that this needed to be addressed on the next agenda item.
 - Motion by Jeremy Hynds to approve the minutes, seconded by Spencer Lewis, no further discussion, motion carried.
- **VI.** * Review and Approve 08-20-2024 Meetings Minutes
 - Jeremy Hynds requested his name to be adjusted from Jimmy to Jeremy Hynds in the last page.
 - Motion by Misty Richardson to approve the minutes, seconded by Jeremy Hynds, no further discussion, motion carried.

- **VII.** * Review and approve the 2024/2025 LEPC Hazardous
 - ➤ Gary Stevenson stated that the hazmat plan was mailed to the members on October 21st, on October 31st some changes were received, phone number that was missing from the plan, and two-word change regarding the national weather service. This morning an email from Lucas but didn't have enough time to go through. Gary Stevenson addressed the chair on how to proceed on this new information.
 - ➤ The Chair advised to read to the group the changes from Lucas, answer any questions that the group has and if it makes sense, approve, if possible, today.
 - Gary Stevenson read to the group the changes as follows:
 - Page 20 & 21, change of address to 232 Energy Way, North Las Vegas NV 89030
 - 2. Page 29, replace the verbiage with the following: Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) - Low-Level Radioactive Waste Shipments; please replace the verbiage with the following: Lowlevel radioactive waste shipments travel through Clark County to the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS). These shipments comply with U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) hazardous material requirements. In addition to DOT requirements, the U.S. Department of Energy implements additional requirements to provide for the safe handling, packaging, transportation and disposal of this waste. Potential dangers posed by radioactive waste are typically concentrated near the disposal sites on NNSS or along the transportation routes. The NNSS is approximately 65 miles north of Las Vegas in Nye County, Nevada. The closest Clark County community to the NNSS is the rural unincorporated town of Indian Springs, about 20 miles away. DOE's preferred LLW transportation routes through Clark County are limited to SR-163, US-95 south of SR-164, SR-164, I-15 from the California state line to SR-160, and SR-160. Several DOE environmental impact statements discuss DOE LLW transportation to the NNSS including, one for "Greater than Class C" waste and the Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement (SWEIS), which considers various alternatives for using the NNSS. The Greater than Class C waste EIS (DOE/EIS-0375) was finalized in 2016; as of October 2024, DOE is awaiting completion of Congressional action before it may issue a Record of Decision (ROD). According to the Greater than Class C EIS, there is a potential for 12,600 total truck shipments to NNSS for disposal of this waste, however, DOE is exploring commercial disposal as identified in the EIS The NNSS SWEIS (DOE/EIS-0426) was finalized in 2013, and a ROD was issued in 2014. A Supplement Analysis (SA) of the 2013 SWEIS and an amended ROD were published in 2024. The waste volumes and shipments evaluated in the 2013 SWEIS were conservative projections for a 10-year time period: up to 80,000 truck shipments through Clark County, to transport 36 million cubic feet of low-level waste and 3.5 million cubic feet of mixed lowlevel waste to NNSS for disposal, and 9,600 cubic feet of transuranic waste from NNSS for offsite disposal. The SA analyzed waste shipments over the subsequent five-year period (2023-2028). The actual volume of wastes shipped to NNSS between 2013 and 2023 was 10.1 million cubic feet, less than one-third of the maximum volumes analyzed in the SWEIS. Because the waste volumes projected over the next five years are not expected to exceed these volumes, the 2024 SA concluded that the SWEIS evaluation of impacts remained conservative and bounding.

- 3. Page 35, based on the current agreement with the NDEM, please remove the following language: National Nuclear Security Agency and Nevada Field Office (NNSA/NFO): The NNSA, Nevada Field Office (NNSA/NFO), offers radiological training for the Nevada State Police and selected law enforcement and fire depts. Continuing with page 35, first paragraph; should say Nevada Field Office, not Nevada Site Office. This error is identified twice in this paragraph.
- 4. Page 42, 43 & 45, NNSA/NFO (Nevada Site Office) Contact Information; Should say Nevada Field Office; No # needed for General #; 24hr # should be (702) 295-0311.
- 5. Page 71, Under the section for available resources, please remove the NNSS line: Las Vegas Fire & Rescue and the Henderson Fire Department maintain hazardous materials response teams (HMRTs) whose members are trained to the Hazmat Technician Level. The teams have specialty equipment, including sensing devices, entry suits, decontamination equipment, computer systems, etc. All fire departments maintain paramedic rescue units, fire engines, trucks (ladders), and other emergency equipment. Other agencies and their specialty resources can be requested and made available to local responders through the jurisdiction's EOC.
- 6. Page 94, the NVOO no longer exists. It is now the NFO (Nevada Field Office).
- ➤ Gary Stevenson added, Jeff Hanh sent some other changes that requires a lot of research and were minor in nature, that can go forward until next year, if the group approves.
- ➤ The Chair asked if anyone had questions, directly to Gary and/or Lucas.
- ➤ Jeremy Hynds, asked about the first long paragraph if it was an overview or if it was something that needed to be in the hazmat plan. Lucas replied that the information was already in the plan, just needed to be updated, the whole section was rewritten.
- ➤ Jeremy Hynds requested the phone number for Chief Erickson, Emergency Manager on page 42 to be changed to (702) 416-3632.
- ➤ The Chair addressed the group about final questions and/or comments for the Hazmat plan, no comments.
- Motion to approve by Misty Richardson, seconded by Robert Palumbo, no further discussion, motion carried.

VIII. Tesla Tunnels Presentation

The Chair apologized that the presentation was cancelled last minute, stated the importance of this presentation since the infrastructure changes that are coming to our valley. Will request Cassidy Stock with the Boring Company, to have it presented to us, the first quarter meeting in 2025.

IX. Clark County Ethics Training Requirement

The Chair addressed the email from Katya about the ethics training course and reaffirm that everyone needs to take it. Requested the affidavit be signed and sent back to Katya once the training is completed. Since some members are dual members with the UAWG, they will need to submit both forms separately for record keeping.

X. LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- Plans Administration Subcommittee
 - Gary Stevenson requested the members that since the Hazmat plan was just approved for 2025, if any other changes needed to be addressed, please be sent to him or Josie.

- Training and Exercise Subcommittee
 - ➤ Gary Stevenson reminded everyone that there is a lot of training that has been posted to the Web EOC calendar, there will be some training in January regarding critical infrastructure, four days of training. Anything that needs to be added to the calendar, it can be done by themselves or request help from Gary & Misty.
 - ➤ The Chair mentioned that besides the training in January, TEEX is coming back in February with three different courses for sporting and special events. Most of the members should have the list from Nevada LISTSERV. These courses are about seven to eight different courses when it comes to TEEX and the special events. These are valuable classes for our operations, the Chair requested more of the advanced classes, but if anyone is interested in the ones on the basic level courses just need to request it.
- Grants Subcommittee
 - Nothing to report.
- Public Information Subcommittee
 - Nothing to report.
- Legislative Subcommittee
 - Angeline Szymanski was not available, the Chair mentioned they are about to start legislature in February. Skye haven't heard anything to report.
- GIS Subcommittee
 - Nothing to report
- Specialized Response Subcommittee
 - Nothing to report.

SPECIAL REPORTS & WORKING GROUPS

- a. Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)
 - 1. Nothing to report.
- b. Nuclear Waste Division Yucca Mountain Update
 - Nothing to report.
- c. Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan
 - 1. Josie Ross reported all the jurisdictions in the Valley have completed their hazard mitigation plan update. Requested the item to be kept as an agenda item to start tracking the next update that will happen in 2026.
 - 2. The Chair stated will be addressed in every meeting to keep it in our radar.
- d. Regional Working Groups
 - 1. AIR
- Gary Stevenson stated that he is working on getting the groups build up, he has some people interested in filling the Chair and Co-Chair but is not official yet. They need to understand their role and the goals.
- 2. BEIR
 - i. Nothing to report.
- 3. NIR
- i. Nothing to report.
- 4. CAER
 - i. Josie Ross reported that the annual full-scale exercise was completed on October 29th. Special thanks to CCSD and the

National Weather Services, Wells Blue Bunny and the Henderson Hospital for playing, there was about 120 people that came to play. The AAR will be finalized this week and shared with everyone who played and all the CAER members. The annual pre-planned visits to the industry sites are nearly completed, there are only two remaining that will get done in December. The National Shakeout where all the BMI members participated on the 17th of October, the weekly radio drills are being done, as well. The next full scale will be on March 6th at Olin, it will be a chlorine release. The next CAER Meeting will be the second week of December.

- ii. The Chair asked if the after-action document was public, it would be nice to show the other quadrants what the after action looks like from that drill. To give them an idea of what they have to shoot for.
- iii. Josie Ross replied she has no issues with sharing the situation manual and the after-action once it's completed, just need to verify with Wells that it's okay to share since it happened at their facilities.
- XI. Public Comments
 - No comments.
- **XII.** Adjournment
 - Motion to adjourn by John Turner, Gary Stevenson seconded. Motion carried.

Next Regularly Scheduled LEPC meeting: **February 12, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.** hybrid meeting via Teams or in-person at the Clark County MACC, 2nd floor Clark County Fire Administration, 575 E. Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89119