

CARBON COUNTY LEPC

Minutes

Meeting: March 2, 2016

Attendance: Alex Ator, Drew Brown, Bill Bullock, Ralph Dawson, Carrie Entenmann, Allison B. Evertz, Jack Exley, John Grewell, Stephanie Hanser, Charlie Hanson, Tom Kohley, Kevin Larson, Josh McQuillan, Leon Odegaard, Gretchen Shuck, Evan Thompson, Quentin Thompson, James J. Vokral

Announcements and Training Opportunities:

Lightning Safety Webinar is March 3rd at 9:00 contact Tom for information.

The 21st Annual LEPC/ASSE/MSSC Safety Conference, March 8-10, Northern Hotel in Billings - Charlie mentioned that if anyone is interested in the HAM radio program will also be offered on Saturday, March 12th at Rocky Mountain College.

Rimrock Trauma Conference, April 1, Billings

Mountain West VOAD Conference, April 25-26 Bozeman

Allison announced that there will be a Suicide Prevention Program March 21st at 4:00 at the Joliet School.

Review of Minutes from Last Meeting: Minutes of last meeting (1-6-2016) were approved.

Old Business

Joliet School Exercise- in lieu of a LEPC meeting in February, a tabletop exercise at the Joliet school was conducted. A diverse group of thirty-three people attended the exercise conducted by Charlie Hanson, Regional DES. Feedback following the event was positive as was the discussion at the LEPC meeting from those who attended. Tom will have an After Action Report available at a later LEPC meeting.

CarbonAlert – An All-Call, Carbon Alert message was sent out to 4251 registered numbers, 71% or 3032 were delivered. The alert followed a press release and quarter page ad in the Carbon County News. Three extra personnel were assigned to help with call-backs to dispatch – approximately 50 call-backs were received. The results of the exercise were to check the system and to educate the public about the service. New registrations to the site were up. In regard to the current branding of CarbonAlert, the group suggested a committee be formed to review and make recommendations.

Carbon County Shelter Review - An updated chart of 51 shelters including suggestions from the January LEPC exercise was presented. Tom would like to design an abbreviated form of these locations to include in the County Emergency Operations Plan. A 2016 draft of the EOP should be ready by the 4th quarter.

New Business

Emergency Planning Grants –

- 1) Montana Land Information Act (MLIA) - Carbon County Applied for \$18,407 with local match of \$8,450. The award date is May 15th. Improving NG 911 data collection and distribution.
- 2) Emergency Management Program Grant (EMPG) – Carbon County will apply for approximately \$50,000. Support for Emergency Management Program in the county.
- 3) **State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)- Working through the core capabilities outlined under the five mission areas of the National Preparedness Framework, four grant submissions for Carbon County were identified. The grant applications presented by Tom were endorsed by the Committee. After an overview of the grants and discussion, the four grant applications were**

ranked for priority using ballots that were distributed to the group. Participants were asked to rank (1-4) each of the projects. The results of the ranking are as follows (the lowest score indicates highest priority).

Homeland Security Grant Submission	Ranking														Total			
CCSO – Mobile Communication for Carbon County Law Enforcement	4	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	3	4	2	1	4	34
DES – Emergency Notification and Public Information in Carbon County	3	2	3	1	3	1	1	2	3	1	3	2	2	2	3	3	1	36
CCSO - Security Assessment of Carbon County 911 Systems	1	3	2	4	1	4	3	4	2	3	2	3	1	1	1	2	2	39
RLFR - Incident Management Team Development and Equipment	2	4	4	3	4	3	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	3	61

Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) – Tom asked for volunteers to help with this assessment which helps prioritize funding for projects and grants. It also guides preparedness programs including training and exercise plans. The State DES office will assist with the process with a timeline to produce a finished product by late April.

Mobile Command Additions – Support vehicles were purchased several years ago and were stored in Bridger. They have been moved to Red Lodge for maintenance and updating by the Southern Montana Incident Management Team. It is hoped that these additions to the command structure will help alleviate congestion in the Command Bus. The larger fifth wheel trailer could be used a respite area, IC meeting space or PIO office. The smaller horse trailer could be used for incident check-in and supplies. Currently, it is stocked with mass casualty, fatality and CERT supplies.

CC Public Health EOP – The Public Health Department developed an All Hazards Emergency Operations Plan and related functional annexes to guide public health emergencies in the county. The county Board of Health approved the EOP in January. The county EOP currently designates the hospital to respond to these events. Stephanie will work with the LEPC to change the language in the county EOP to reflect this modification of resource allocation and responsibility.

It’s Your Choice – The Sherriff’s Office is sponsoring the event that will be presented May 4th at the Joliet school. It is an annual event that circulates through Red Lodge High, Bridger High and Joliet with open invitations to the smaller schools in the county. Besides a mock traffic crash and goggles for simulated distracted drivers, additional agencies participating will be the highway patrol, hospital and EMS. Josh is trying to locate a young adult presenter that has been involved in a fatal crash.

Tactical Repeater Update – A communications plan and protocols are being finalized to add tactical repeaters to the county’s communications towers. The plan should be ready to be reviewed by the LEPC this summer.

Round Robin

The Forest Service is advertising for a Fire Management Officer in the Red Lodge office. Also, Ken Coffin has been hired as a new ranger. He comes to Red Lodge from Colorado.

Kevin reported that Chris Benton and Mike Nordstrom have started initial conversations concerning a Mass Casualty Exercise in May with perhaps a Ski Bus crash involving children. Charlie Hanson has been contacted to help with the design.

Meeting Schedule and Adjourn:

Next meeting: April 13 @1330; Red Lodge Fire Hall

Meeting was adjourned at 1440.

Core Capabilities

PREVENT	PROTECT	MITIGATE	RESPOND	RECOVER
Planning	Planning	Planning	Planning	Planning
Public Information and Warning	Public Information and Warning	Public Information and Warning	Public Information and Warning	Public Information and Warning
Operational Coordination	Operational Coordination	Operational Coordination	Operational Coordination	Operational Coordination
Forensics and Attribution	Access Control and Identity Verification	Community Resilience	Critical Transportation	Economic Recovery
Intelligence and Information Sharing	Cybersecurity	Long-Term Vulnerability Reduction	Environmental Response / Health and Safety	Health and Social Services
Interdiction and Disruption	Intelligence and Information Sharing	Risk and Disaster Resilience Assessment	Fatality Management Services	Housing
Screening, Search and Detection	Interdiction and Disruption	Threats and Hazard Identification	Infrastructure Systems	Infrastructure Systems
	Physical Protective Measures		Mass Care Services	Natural and Cultural Resources
	Risk Management for Protection Programs and Activities		Mass Search and Rescue Operations	
	Screening, Search and Detection		On-Scene Security and Protection	
	Supply Chain Integrity and Security		Operational Communications	
			Public and Private Services and Resources	
			Public Health and Medical Services	
			Situational Assessment	

Carbon County FY16-17 SHSP Grants Submissions

- CCSO - Security Assessment of Carbon County 911 Systems**
 - Assess cyber/physical threats/risks to CCSO IT infrastructure (e.g., CJIN, CAD, 911)
 - Develop Continuity of Operations (COOP) Plan/Annex
 - Develop feasibility study for 911 Dispatch facility improvements and/or relocation to improve security
- DES – Emergency Notification and Public Information in Carbon County**
 - Improve public emergency notification (e.g. promotion and deployment of CodeRED, CarbonAlert, iPAWS)
 - Improve responder notification (County wide deployment of eDispatch, IamResponding)
 - Expand County EOC to include emergency call center
 - Develop mobile PIO station and train additional PIOs
 - Install community siren for town of Joliet
- CCSO – Mobile Communication for Carbon County Law Enforcement**
 - Upgrade Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs) for Department
- RLFR - Incident Management Team Development and Equipment**
 - Train team members on ICS specific roles
 - Procure and install equipment needed to enhance operational coordination (e.g., satellite communications)

