



# Local Emergency Planning Committee

District VI

**Friday, February 18, 2011**  
**Meeting Summary**

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

### **Primary Members:**

Bob Coshignano, City of Orlando Fire Department  
Jennifer Hobbs, Innovative Health Applications  
L. Andre Roy, ReDe/Critique JV  
Kristie Toruno, Central Florida Intelligence Exchange  
S. Randy Stafford, Florida Department of Transportation  
Alan Harris, Seminole County Office of Emergency Management  
Michael Johansmeyer, Seminole County Fire Department  
Gerald Wimberly, Kennedy Space Center Fire Department  
Christopher Geiger, Lockheed Martin  
Wayne Kee, Kennedy Space Center  
Terry Edwards, Department of Environmental Protection

### **Alternates:**

Michael Biggerstaff, Patrick AFB  
Katharine Gambino, United Space Alliance-KSC  
Joseph Mastandrea, Orange County Public Schools  
David Sullivan, Orange County Fire Rescue  
Ron Plummer, Orange County Emergency Management  
Keila Walker, Orlando Health  
Larry LaHue, Volusia County Emergency Management  
Sean Loughlin, Lake County Emergency Management

### **Others in Attendance:**

April Raulerson, ECFRPC - LEPC Staff  
Kate Hillman, ECFRPC  
John Dutt, Kinder Morgan CFPL LLC  
Jim Roberts, Florida DEM  
Debbie Coles, Brevard County Emergency Management  
Tim Kitchen, Brevard County Emergency Management  
Gina Lambert, The Villages Public Safety

## **I. Call to Order, Welcome, and Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 10:07am by Chair *Jennifer Hobbs*. The meeting was held at the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council.



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## II. October 2010 Meeting Minutes

*Greg Thompson* motioned to approve the October 29, 2010 LEPC minutes. *Ron Plummer* seconded the motion.

## III. Training updates

*Bob Coschignano* gave an update on the Fort Myers Training Task Force Meeting. He gave a briefing of the items discussed at this meeting. The items discussed at the TTF included: the HazMat Field Operations Guide (FOG), the decontamination check off list, ToxMedic guidelines, NFPA 473, and local Medical Directors discretion.

*Bob Coschignano* stated that the LEPC VI still has HMEP Training money to spend on courses and is open to input regarding what training to provide. Six 3-hour sessions of an awareness level Chemical Suicide Course were held in early February. All sessions were very well attended and multiple disciplines from around the region were represented.

*David Sullivan* discussed the Full-Scale Community Exercise at Orlando Health which took place on January 27, 2011. A major identified issue was hospital training; there was miscommunication about decon at hospital, patient transport, etc.

*David Sullivan* said that Orange County Fire Rescue is developing a HazMat alert system, where responders will tell hospitals that a contaminated patient is en route; this alert will lead to the implementation of specific protocol for hospitals to follow to accept patient. It will keep first responders and Emergency Rooms safer from contamination (organophosphates, meth labs, etc.)

*Keila Walker* noted that Orlando Health had been in communications with OCFR regarding the HazMat alert system. She noted that Orlando Health is required to have trainers in each hospital, and they are working to make sure their staff is capable of handling HazMat incidents.

*Bob Coshignano* urged for people to reach out within their departments to fill the upcoming LSU sampling class, PER 222. It is scheduled for March 14-22 at the Seminole County Fire Department Training Center in Longwood.

Among the training options discussed were: CSX training, possibly in September 2011, HazMat IQ 1 or 2 days, a radiation course, 40-hour HAZWOPER, and another air sampling course.



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Upcoming training included E-Plan, which is coming up April 19-21, 2011. It is noted that there are some issues with the state training website that need to be resolved. Brevard/ORMC-Reax coming down and giving course in October 10-15, 2011; it focuses on medical field, but fire and HazMat also welcome. There is also advanced radiological training June 22, 2011 prior to St. Lucie exercise.

## **IV. SERC Report**

*Jennifer Hobbs* discussed the requirement for ships coming in to Port Canaveral to have emergency plans; private companies are currently trying to write these plans if ships do not have them. The Coast Guard will be tasked with checking for these plans, and state contracts may be issued to fire departments to come out as secondary sources.

*April Raulerson* then discussed a memo from the state dated February 17, 2011 that said facilities must also send out paper copies to LEPCs and fire departments to satisfy March 1 deadline, otherwise Florida be noncompliant; she anticipated confusion on the issue. The memo explains how to do it, but the turnaround is quick, so a lot of facilities will probably be calling for assistance.

*Jennifer Hobbs* announced that Christopher Geiger, Larry LaHue were approved as new LEPC members.

*Jennifer Hobbs* then discussed use of the SERC logo; some trainers have used SERC logo to show they are approved; what is liability of SERC if something happens? The SERC began to talk about trademarking logo, because the SERC does not approve training.

*Sean Loughlin* was announced as the District VI Thomas Yatabe award winner. The two SERC Certificates of Appreciation for District VI went to *Joe Silvestris* and *Ron Plummer*.

## **V. New and Continuing Business**

*April Raulerson* discussed the How To Comply Workshops. Two were held at the ECFRPC, one in Volusia County, and one in Brevard County. All were well attended, the largest attendance in the last 4 years.

*Alan Harris* stated that the LEPC VI Biennial Exercise will be held on April 15, 2011 from 0830-1200 and will have a separate drill component taking place at the Seminole County Fire Department Training Facility.

*April Raulerson* announced that the HMEP Planning project would be a commodity flow study to be executed over the Spring/Summer of 2011.



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## VI. Presentation

*Chief Gerald Wimberly* from the Kennedy Space Center Fire Department made a presentation on a traffic incident that occurred SR-528 on January 21, 2011. KSC provided mutual aid response to Brevard County.

## VII. Other Business

*Kristie Toruno* stated that CFIX released a bulletin for call handlers regarding chemical suicide. She then noted that chemical theft was on the rise in seven counties, all the same trend.

She then reviewed a chemical homicide case from Palm Beach County that occurred on February 14, 2011. It shut down half I-95, check into lessons learned. A few first responders were sent to hospital due to fumes. Some websites are also pushing chemical homicide/genocide. Florida is number one in chemical suicide. Orange County is developing a video with CFIX for situational awareness to give to hospitality/hotels to be given in conjunction with a course. A Cynote kit is necessary for hydrogen cyanide poisoning

## VIII. Next Meeting Date and Location

The next meeting will be held May 6, 2011 at the ECFRPC.

## IX. Adjournment

*Dave Casto* motioned to adjourn at and it was seconded by *Greg Thompson*.