

Madison County Montana LEPC

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EOP Review: Crisis Management for School-Based Incidents

Call to order 1803

Approve May 17th, 2018 minutes: Motion made by Linda Holt; John Bancroft 2nd, all in favor, motion to approve minutes passed (with type errors to be corrected later).

Introductions: list of attendees (see enclosed roster).

1. **Committee Reports:**

DES: Hazmat incident with a semi rollover on HWY 55, the hazmat spill consisted of a Liquid Plastic Polymer. A temporary barrier was constructed to contain the spill. Whitehall Trucking and Towing was uncomfortable with cleaning up the spill. DEQ was contacted and tasked with site cleanup. Currently waiting on DEQ cleanup approval.

The Norris Assay Lab cleanup is ongoing. Cleanup is being conducted by the EPA with support from the DEQ. The Missoula Sheriff's Bomb Squad came to conduct detonations of all the extremely volatile chemicals. One detonation was conducted onsite the other two were transported up Sterling Road.

Fire prevention and outreach grants have been awarded through FEMA for the Mammoth area (\$130,000). A community education/BBQ was conducted to inform Mammoth residents of availability of grant and steps needed to match the funds. 30 people were in attendance with representatives from FEMA district 8, DNRC, area contractors and members of the Harrison Fire Department. We are currently updating some of the fire prevention marketing material and are looking into getting some new signs. We attended the annual MVRFD pancake breakfast to promote CodeRed outreach and provide a signup opportunity. There was a great response and enrollment. Two HOA presentations were made (7/22/18) to Shining Mountains, and Sundowner HOA's about WUI and fuels mitigation. We are also currently working on incorporating out fire plans into SAM as well as updating our IAR and EAPS.

Grants: The VSAT trailer is currently being used by the EPA, and DEQ (and paid for) supporting their cleanup operations in Norris. The trailer has been in use for almost 2 weeks. There are a few bumps that need to be worked out but we are very impressed with its overall capabilities. A cover has been made by Montana Canvas that will cover the dish and the rotary base during transportation. The cost was just over \$400.00 and was paid for by the original grant. Drone is in service, license, and insured. Most recently it was used during the EPA cleanup to assist with over watch and overall safety. The HLS 2018 grant for MCI's has been awarded! Some project ideas are stop the bleed kits for schools, updated individual first aid kits for LEO's, Rescue Task Force PPE and equipment for Fire/EMS, training for active shooter (full scale exercise), and MCI active threat pre-planning guides. There has been a reverted funds grant for the Alder EOC project. With plans on installing a 70" TV with two mirroring 55-60" TVs, as well as seating and tables for 40 people. The buildings internet will be upgraded as well as a podium (with sound system) and 3 computers.

Development: 68 PCSR's have been conducted so far for 2018. There has been a higher than average for the Ruby Valley side, still high for the Madison Valley side.

Misc: The water cache has been restocked and is currently being held in our shop by the office. We are still working on trying to get the Zello gate way up and running. There is also a traffic study for the Jack Creek and plans are going to be put in place for a grant application. Updates have been made for TRMCC's EAP and Hazard Vulnerability Analysis was conducted. A shelter in place TTX was conducted to assist both nursing homes with 15 participants. An ICS

100/200 course was conducted here in Virginia City with 20 participants. We along with several first responders in our county attended an AWR-148 Crisis Management course with 34 people from around the State.

Communications: On June 26th, communications were tested in the Bear Trap. Comms were good with car radios, cell phone coverage still spotty from mile marker 3 all the way to the first camp ground. The repeater platform still needs to be built. The posts are set the rest of the equipment and materials are ordered. More to follow within the next couple weeks. There is 1 new dispatch officer that is currently in training.

Sheriff: Two deputies attended the active threat training. There was an emphasis on 1st aide during an active threat. I would like to see our fire departments get more active with this. Would also like a communications class to see their involvement.

Town of Ennis: All quiet on the western front!

US Forest Service: Currently we have a crew and engine assisting in Colorado and also Nevada. On the 1st of June we are conducting a 150 acre open burn. The Moose habitat project on the Upper Ruby is underway.

HVFD: We checked in again at Norris today, vehicles at the cleanup are being inspected today.

MVRFD: We have been dealing with multiple vehicle accidents lately.

Town of Sheridan: The town is currently on water restrictions, due to our tanks running very low. We are pushing on drilling as fast as we can with drilling scheduled for the 1st week of October. The pipeline is looking like it will happen in March 2019 sometime. The new well is on Carey Lane on the FFA farm. A Federal grant was put in for the 1.2 million dollar funding. The town water rates will be going up as well. It has been a rough couple weeks.

Madison Valley Medical Center: The new facility opens next month with a projected 22 August move in date. The week before on the 18th will be an open house to the public. The senior center is hoping to use the old hospital. We are currently doing lots of training for emergency services.

TBRFD: The town has appraised the water line for the fairgrounds for TSEP funding.

2. Old Business:

Update flooding Madison County.

Livestock Transportation approval: waiting for Montana Department of Livestock to assist with additional quarantine information.

Harrison Fire Academy AAR.

ICS 100-200 training conducted 22 June 2018.

3. New Business:

Assayers Building Norris update: There was not much media interest during the cleanup. The county originally was made aware of what was going on in Norris from the Public Health Department from high blood level results in a patient. The Sanitation Department then started water testing and issued a cease and desist order. OSHA started their investigation resulting in the states DEQ and EPA taking over the cleanup. Due to the hazardous condition some of the 300 + chemicals were stored some of them had to be detonated. During the day of the explosions, the county formed a unified command to safely provide road closures, fire, and medical support. Parts of Norris were evacuated to ensure public safety, while other areas were given notices for volunteer evacuations. Everything went very well, with the EPA

and DEQ staying on for at least another week to complete the cleanup process. The SAT trailer was used to support the EPA with them paying for the daily usage!

Homeland Security 2018: The joint grant has been awarded! Patrick from Gallatin County wrote the grant where the funding opportunities were rather vague. This is good with our intent on our portion of the grant funding the following; better PPE, ballistic vests for first responders, stop the bleed kits, AED for command trailer, a critical facility flip guide, and a small mass casualty trailer support unit.

EOC locations: The current primary EOC location is too small. We propose to have two EOC locations in both valleys to better position IC and the EOC staff. The first location would be Madison Valley Rural Fire Department #1, the second would be the meeting room in the Alder Rural Fire Department. Both places are ADA compliant, kitchens, showers, and more space. A motion is made by Shawn Christensen to recommend to the County Commissioners for the two mentioned new EOC locations, the motion was 2nd, all were in favor, no discussion, and the motion has passed. The secretary will draft a memorandum showing the LEPC's support for the new EOC locations.

Scott McClintic commended Rodger on the actions of his deputies during the recent lift assist request in Madison Valley. Both deputies never hesitated in coming in to assist with a 700lb male patient. The crew in Madison Valley Fire are very appreciative with their actions.

4. Training/Meetings:

Active Threat Intervention Symposium (3 days courses taught by Center of Excellence) Aug 14-16, 2018 Salish Kootenai College, Pablo, MT. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/active-threat-intervention-symposium-tickets-5595504381?aff=utm_source%3Demail%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dnew_event_email&utm_term=eventurl_text POC: Greg Gould, greg.gould@skc.edu or 406-275-4991

SafetyFestMT Montana Department of Labor & Industry Aug 14-16, 2018 Yogo Inn, Lewistown, MT. <http://safetyfestmt.com/lewistown-2018> POC- Casey Kyler-West 406-444-5267 ckylwest@mt.gov

Situation Analyst Montana online training sessions July 19, 2018 13:30, July 24, 2018 13:30 Register <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7304055035471563266> POC- Patrick Lonergan plonergan@bozeman.net

ICS-300- Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents October 15-16, 2018 08:00-17:00 Billings Clinic POC- Joe Marcotte 406-657-4824 or jmarcotte@billingsclinic.org

ICS-400- Advanced ICS Command and General Staff- Complex Incidents November 12-13, 2018- start on 11/12 at 13:00, end on 11/13 at 17:00 Billings Clinic POC- Joe Marcotte 406-657-4824 or jmarcotte@billingsclinic.org

5. Next LEPC meeting 9/20/18

6. Next Fire Chief

7. Adjourned 1915