



**September 15, 2016**  
**Teton LEPC Meeting**

**Attendees:** Rich Ochs, Jenny Kruger, Sam Singer, Jody Donovan, Cris Dippel, Cole Nethercott, Phillip Fox, Tim Ciocarlan, Nick Beck, Terri Sherman, Jim Whalen, Mary Lou Klene, Todd Fletcher, Peter Romaine, Charlotte Reynolds, Rachael Wheeler, Mike Moyer, Jeff Golightly, Kathy Clay, Matt Redwine, Brian Coe, Cindy Harger, Mike Maurer, Carl Pelletier, Alyssa Watkins, Willy Watsabaugh, JB Dulco, Lloyd Funk, Brian Carr, Kelli Fennessey, Heather Voster, Michael Nash, Larry Pardee, Steve Ashworth, Jim Whalen, Sean O'Malley, Slade Ross and Natalia Macker

- I. **Call to Order** – Rich Ochs called the meeting to order at 8:30 am
- II. **Approval of May LEPC Meeting Minutes** - Brian Carr made a motion to approve the May LEPC Meeting Minutes. Brian Coe seconded the motion. All approved
- III. **Teton County Training and Exercise Plan update** - Rachael Wheeler – Email Rachael with upcoming trainings/events. There are openings from October through February. The calendar will be color coded for open and closed events. The calendar is also used to show Homeland Security all the different trainings and exercises.
- IV. **Teton County Comprehensive Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan update** - Brian Carr – The LEPC exists to make sure we have a good response plan. Brian has been working with representatives from different agencies for content suggestions for any type of hazardous material that may hit Teton County. Currently, we are trying to deal with the knowns. The plan is also designed to make sure we can deal with the unknowns. Brian brought a draft plan for the group to review. It is more than half completed and it needs to be completed by first quarter next year. Working on modules for decontamination, tactical and strategic considerations. The plan does implement local jurisdictions SOPs will be followed. It will also show how we will exercise these plans. It is a work in progress. One of the gaps is a limitation on our biological response and we also need a comprehensive transportation study.
- V. **Tier II Reports update** - Rich Ochs reviewed the basis for the hazmat plan. Certain facilities that hold over 10k hazardous material defined by EPA and some facilities that hold extremely dangerous materials less than 10k need to report to LEPC. Both Jackson Lake Dam and Togwotee Mountain Lodge are known areas that are not reporting. A letter will be sent to the state. EPA can fine each facility for not reporting. These reports are being sent to the Fire Department and Sheriff Dispatch. Email Rich Ochs if you need a copy of the report. This report is given to Rich Greenwood every year and he puts it in GIS. We have been collecting information for years and recently started digitizing it. Brian Coe mentioned Aristatek has been hired at the state and is putting this information into PEAC software for use by RERTs.

- VI. **Type III IMT Discussion** – Rich Ochs sent information out to the state information team. Each state is being pushed to start their own qualifications systems. Brian Coe wants to review implications of getting task books signed. Do we want to put together a local team in Teton County? If we do identify those positions. We need to put together a plan to get those people trained. Rich Ochs reviewed what a Type III team looks like and the costs to keep those people trained. The state is just looking to put together a list of people. It is something that we should discuss if we want to fund a Type III team. Colorado has three type III teams. Some of their teams that have not been deployed in five years. Rich opened it up for discussion to see what the group thought of creating a team. Some people expressed that it seemed very time consuming and expensive. They support local key positions. We have a few folks in the county that may be certified but we still have qualification questions. We have people in the County that are trained and can provide support for 72 hours. Chief Watsabaugh mentioned the Budge Dive incident. There were issues with the state on how it was managed. The biggest area we could be in trouble is the finance section. We need to document and track correctly. It's important that for that 72 hours we have people that can do that job. Focus on low frequency, high risk incidents. Chief Clay believes we will get much better if we train here and go to other neighborhoods to use your skills and talents. Rich Ochs agreed that it is always better to learn where you don't have any emotional ties. At this point, we'll look and see what local expertise we need in Teton County. Rich will do a survey on training to bring in. Local trainings can be done at this time in task books.
- VII. **2017 Total Solar Eclipse Planning** - Rich Ochs passed out a few documents. The first was the Executive Summary which is a threat and hazard risk assessment. This year it looks at the 2017 eclipse. The second document is what we will talk about today. Teton 2017 TSE Public Safety Team Planning Framework. First, we went around the room and did introductions and whether they have started planning for the eclipse. Mark your calendars, August 21<sup>st</sup> 10:16 am – 1:00 pm. Reviewed the path of the eclipse and the planning that's been done so far. The planning Framework form that Rich passed out included the Mission Statement, Scope, 2017 Special Events Coordinator, Planning Assumptions and Public Safety Team Planning Organization. Rich also passed out the Teton County Emergency Functions and reviewed #1 Transportation, #2 Communications, #3 Public Works & Engineering, #4 Firefighting, #5 Emergency Management, #6 Mass Care Housing and Human Services, #7 Resource Support, #8 Public Health & Medical, #9 Search and Rescue, #10 Hazardous Materials Response, #11 Agriculture & Natural Resources, #12 Energy, #13 Public Safety & Security, #14 Long Term Community Recovery & Mitigation and #15 External Affairs planning Items. The Special Events Coordinator will feed information to all of the Emergency Function Coordinators. Next meeting is October 27<sup>th</sup>, then November 17 at LEPC. Plan to meet monthly. Need to get plans written within the next two months.
- VIII. **Around the Table – Grand Teton National Park** - It is great to see so many different agency's in the room, special thanks to JH Fire/EMS and Chief Watsabaugh on the Berry Fire. Also thanked the Sheriff Office for help along with Search and Rescue and Emergency Management for working late. The Berry Fire is the largest fire geographically ever in the park. Ecological benefits will be massive. **Wyoming Stargazing** is committed to helping on the 2017 solar eclipse event. **Teton Community School** is very happy to work with everyone on this event. **Sheriff** is moving forward with a new computer dispatch system. Sheriff Dispatch center is moving to the EOC for

the next month. **Teton County Public works** - The cross coordination will be huge. We do have a structure in place with the Traffic Advisory Committee. They will be inviting a few of the emergency folks to the next meeting. **Elk Refuge** is in the process of getting new radios. Bison hunt is on. **St. John's Hospital** has a new CEO. They recently did a new phone upgrade. Monday, they will break ground on a new construction project including the lobby and office space. Should be completed around May or June. **Red Cross** – Since they do not have an official office in town it is hard to get funding. They depend solely on Cheyenne. **County IT** – Will be doing a complete site replacement/rebuild. Plan to speak with PIO's and work with Town IT department for cross link etc. **Start Bus**- Very busy. Trying to implement a more efficient transportation system. **School district** – School started on September 6th, they are moving forward with the Munger Mountain Elementary School. Looking forward to legislator approving funding. **Public health** has had a lot calls regarding bats. Spring Creek Animal Hospital is where to bring it to test for rabies. If you do get called tell people to go see their health care provider for the rabies shots series. Flu shots will be available at Public Health from the end of September through October. **Fire/EMS** – EMS call volumes were up in July. July was the business month ever with a small dip in August. **Chamber of Commerce** - Recommends not modifying VRBO's. August should end up being flat in occupancy. **Fire/EMS Facilities** - Wondering if FEMA would like to send a Type 1 team to Jackson next August. Type II folks shadowed at the Cliff Creek Fire. **Jackson Hole Astronomy** would like to help out any way they can. **Town** – Appreciates what the Chamber has said. If you have something that might take place in the town please email Carl so he can present it to the Town Council. There is a special election on Tuesday for the LDR's. **Fire Chief** – Forest and Park are going out of fire restriction as of last night and he will be presenting to the County on Monday. It is fast but the fire science backs it up. We are very comfortable with the decision. Other counties cannot enact as quickly, so it will probably be October at their monthly meeting. Hopefully fire season will be dyeing down. **Lloyd** introduced JB Dulco and announced he will be replacing him.

- IX. **Adjourn** – Brian Coe made a motion to adjourn. Matt Redwine seconded the motion. All agreed.

**Next Meeting – November 17, 2016 - Station 1 Firehouse**