Emergency Management Administrative Council Meeting

Minutes

State Capitol Board Room

October 30, 2014

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Attendees:** LT. Governor Spencer J. Cox (Co-Chair), Commissioner Keith D. Squires (Co-Chair), Scott Ericson, R.E. Spann, Jim Buchanan, James Toledo, Dale Urban, Paul Patrick, Kris Hamlet, Dustin Lewis, Will Lusk, Major General Jefferson Burton, LTC Mike Silver, Carlos Braceras, Jeff Graviet, Jeff King, Brian Garrett. Judy Watanabe, Bob Carey, Ty Bailey, Ted Woolley, Jason Davis, Jeff Done, Pat Bersie

**Council Members not in attendance:** Dean Cox, Lance Peterson, Lincoln Shurtz, Michael Styler, Marty Shaub, Dale Zabriskie, Jan Buttrey

**Agenda Item: Welcome –** LT. Governor Spencer J. Cox; Commissioner Keith D. Squires

* Welcomed everyone to the meeting
* Minutes of May 7, 2014 – Motion to approve minutes by Jeff Graviet, seconded by Brian Garrett, all approved

**Agenda Item: Public Health Preparedness –** Ebola, Enterovirus, and Influenze Update - Mike Stever / Utah Department of Health

* Ebola

1. Utah’s hospitals and public health departments are closely monitoring the situation

2. The current risk to the Utah general public of becoming infected with Ebola virus is very low. Ebola is a serious disease because of its high fatality rate. Its ability to spread from person-to person requires direct contact with bodily fluids

3. United States has the necessary tools to contain Ebola

4. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) is working to ensure appropriate infection control procedures

5. Ebola patients are not contagious until they show symptoms

6.. There are no reports of dogs or cats becoming sick with Ebola or being able to spread the disease

8. Timely treatment is important

9. There is currently no cure or vaccine

* Enterovirus

1. The Enterovirus has peaked and the virus is on the decline

* Influenza

1. The flu season is under way and will peak in the U.S. between December and February. It usually begins in October and can go until May

2. More people will die from the Flu virus than Ebola

3. To protect yourself and family members, get vaccinated as soon as available

4. Practice everyday prevention: avoid contact with sick people and wash your hands to reduce the spread of germs

a. If you are sick with the flu, stay home from work or school to prevent

spreading flu to others

5. There is treatment for the flu – in the form antiviral drugs. They can prevent serious flu-related complications like pneumonia

**Agenda Item: 2014 Vigilant Guard Exercise –** LTC Michael Silver / Utah National Guard

* LTC Silver went over the preparations and plans of the 2014 Vigilant Guard Exercise

1. The Vigilant Guard Exercise is a full scale exercise. Ten locations throughout the state

2. The National Guard will begin exercising October 30, 2014 – The Division of Emergency Management and State Emergency Response Team (SERT) will participate in the exercise on November 3-4, 2014, in the State Emergency Operation Center (EOC)

3. We will exercise the Emergency Management Assistant Compact (EMAC). This will test our ability to work state to state to request teams and resources

4. Out of state participation – Colorado, New Mexico, Wyoming, Idaho are sending in units of their National Guard

5. Representative from FEMA Region VIII and the Defense Coordination Officer Element from Denver will also participate

**Agenda Item: Utah Center of Excellence Update –** LTC Michael Silver /Utah National Guard

* LTC Silver provided an update from the previous meeting on the status of the Utah Center of Excellence updated
* Has met with Utah Division of Emergency Management, FEMA and Utah Valley University

1. Has met also reaching out to locals, and tribes

* The Utah Center of Excellence mission is: “A partnership of Utah Response element, Federal, University, and non-government entities

Education based on disaster mitigation, response, recovery, and cost in cut program

Where? Any campus is to be determined

* Working to find ways to get college credit for completing FEMA courses

**Agenda Item: All Hazard Incident Management Teams** – Ted Woolley / Division of Emergency Management

* The purpose of an IMT is to provide assistance and support for incidents when requested
* IMT’s consist of trained individuals who come together as a team to provide support for different Incident Command System (ICS) positions
* IMTs only responds when requested
* Local agencies determine if they want to build an IMT
* DEM provides IMT training through academies

1. Trainees assist with incidents, events, and exercises

* FEMA Region VIII has provided money for training
* The Qualification Review Committee (QRC) reviews each individuals qualification to participate on an IMT
* There will be another Academy in February. There is still space available. You need to take ICS 300 as a prerequisite
* There will be a Task Book for the position of All-Hazards Unit Leader

1. Class room is a small portion

2. It will take a couple of years to complete the Task Book depending on how fast you can get your objectives signed off

* Training will be consistent from state to state

**Agenda Item: Utah Fuel Network –** Jeff Done / Utah Div. of Fleet Operations

Pat Bersie / Utah Div. of Emergency Management

* Pat Bersie went over the Governor’s Energy Emergency Guide and Checklist

1. Primary role of the state is fact-finding and monitoring rather than direct intervention

2. Restoration of normal operations at energy facilities is the responsibility of the facility owners

3. Local governments will need to be involved with implementation of energy supply demand reduction measures.

4. DEM maintains a 24/7 list of energy sector contacts, and state and federal agencies to coordinate efforts

5. Pat highly suggested that we always keep our gas tanks half full, in case of a power loss and we can’t fill our tanks

* Jeff Done is responsible for 130 automated fuel sites throughout the state of Utah. State Fleet Operations has partnered with private sector partners to extend our fueling options to approximately1200 commercial stations that our state fuel cards are used at.
* There are 40,000 active Fuelman/Gascards, 7,000 of them belong to state agencies and higher education. The remaining 33,000 belong to local tax supported entities such as cities, towns, and counties, school districts, special improvement districts, etc.
* We can provide emergency fueling to most of the state.
* Salt Lake City has its own emergency fuel tank. Salt Lake County has its own emergency fuel tank.
* Of the 130 fuel sites 29 are tier one sites.
* The state is split into six sections with 21 fuel sites that will function during any event to dispense fuel whether or not there is power.
* We were able to get some grant money from the Homeland Security Grant to purchase a generator, which is located at the Murray Consolidated Fuel Site. We also bought a generator and secured it on a trailer to be used anywhere needed.
* We have over 130 automated fuel sites. 102 are pre-wired with transfer switches. Of which 58 of them are at the UDOT facilities.
* UDOT has generators on carts that they can be wheeled out to the transfer switch, hooked up provide power to the fuel station

**Agenda Item: Shale Oil Transportation –** Ty Bailey / Utah Div. of Emergency Management

* Showed a picture of a railroad accident in Quebec, Canada

1. a lot of damage

2. 30 buildings damaged

3. 47 deaths

* One of Ty’s responsibilities is to participate on the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) Advisory Board
* Ty showed a video on the Bakken Crude Oil Accident (video attached)
* Oil production is completely outpacing the infrastructure that is in place
* Oil use to be transported through pipeline and not on railways

1. Now the railways are being used more

* SERC in Utah does not regulate the railroad but does work with fixed site facilities

1. They submit Tier 2 reports and to the SERC

* Rail companies no not own the rail cars

1. The rail companies are required to report to the SERC only if they have one unit train carrying in excess 1 million gallons of Bakken Crude oil

* There is an MOU between the two agencies that comprise the SERC The Division of Emergency Management (Public Safety) is going to handle the planning and community outreach aspect and The Department of Environmental Quality DEQ will gather information and address requirements of reporting
* SERC Advisory Board membership is being updated
* Need to communicate to the Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC)’s better

1. LEPC’s tell their communities about the hazards in their area

**Agenda Item: Utah Seismic Safety Commission** – Bob Carey / Utah Div. of Emergency Management – Current Commission Initiatives

* The Utah Seismic Safety Commission (USSC) has been working to reduce the earthquake risk in Utah since 1994
* There are 15 members in the USSC that volunteer to review and assess earthquake related risks to the state of Utah
* USSC gives out information to people who are concerned with earthquake safety
* Here are some examples of the USSC’s efforts:

1. Created a guide to earthquake preparedness “Putting Down Roots in Earthquake Country”

a. This guide has been given to schools, churches, businesses, and individual citizens

b. It has been reprinted many times

2. Bill HB278 was signed into law in 2013, which requires school districts to conduct seismic evaluations for certain building

3. In 2012 a $150,000 fund to give seismic assessment of Utah K-12 schools

4. Developed a Safety Assessment Program that trains and certifies engineers, architects and building officials to perform post-earthquake building safety inspections

5. The Utah Schools Rapid Visual Screening Pilot Project sampled 128 school buildings to assess their seismic safety

6. A report on the risk for Utah students was given to the Legislature based on the visual screening pilot project

**Agenda Item: Proposed Action Items** – Council

* No Action Items were discussed

**Agenda Item: Round Table:** Because of the time there was no round table discussion by the Council

**Meeting Adjourned**

* By unanimously by the council