

ADA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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ADA COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Meeting Summary April, 23, 2015, 3:00 P.M. Ada County EOC

ATTENDING:

Crash Marusich, ACEM Joe Lombardo, ACEM Sue Axtman, ACEM Dennis Lawson, ACEM Sean Lunsford, ARC Kim Monson, ARC Linda Raine, ARC Randy Noble, Nampa HWY Dist. 1 Rob Littrell, BSU Brian Terry, Micron Scott Johnson, ACSO Mark Niemeyer, Meridian Fire/TAG John Lee, United Water Janet Gregory, ITD David Dansereau, ITD Eugene Smith, BPD Jesi Brock, Tesoro Dale Nalder, BHS Mark Dillon, Idaho National Guard John Blank, Boise Rescue Mission Troy Lindquist, NWS Scott Spaeks, Idaho Power Shauna Kittell, Boise City Angela Gilman, Ada County Randy McLeland, CDHD Heidi Novich, BHS Julia Holmes, Northpoint Recovery A.J. Himes, Boise City Kirk Bantz, St. Alphonsus Jimmy Yorgensen, IMSARU

<u>ACTION ITEMS</u> There were no action items <u>INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS</u>

Crash welcomed all attendees to the meeting and informed them that Doug was unable to be present and that he, as the next person in succession, would assist in facilitating the meeting.

• Review of Major Whole Community Preparedness Efforts and Group Discussion on Future Projects (*PowerPoint Presented*)

Joe opened the meeting by asking the attendees what they thought the term Whole Community Preparedness Efforts meant. Several individuals offered up comments such as employee preparedness, efforts to prepare a diverse population, and people not necessarily involved in public safety.

Joe shared his thoughts on why he believes our office, Emergency Management, would be better termed Whole Community Resiliency. He explained that the whole community approach is more about people who are not traditionally thought of in disasters and emergencies, and addressed a wider range of entities such as non-profit organizations. He stated that Ada County Emergency Management does not prepare for disasters but is here to facilitate the building of

capabilities and the closing of identified gaps. This is accomplished by addressing risk – by building regional capabilities. He gave examples that would accomplish this outcome such as having mutual aid agreements in place and a shared understanding and basis behind the THIRA. He then presented the seven threats/hazards previously identified based on the application of the THIRA and discussed core capabilities building efforts underway through exercises and training scheduled in the future.

• Public Outreach, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training, and Employee Training (*PowerPoint Presented*)

Crash began his presentation by offering to provide personal and family preparedness information to any entity that would desire it, saying he would come to them to provide the training and educational opportunity. Crash continued to give an overview of what the presentation entailed and how this type of training/education could potentially help the community as a whole when first responders are overwhelmed with a disaster.

• Review Current Ada County Threat/Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and Potential New Capability Targets as They Relate to the LEPC (*PowerPoint Presented*)

Joe presented the list of prioritized and set targets for multiple capabilities previously identified to address the threats and hazards of concern. The first responders have weighed in and have requested the inclusion of six additional capabilities. Joe briefed the attendees as to what they are and where they fit in the THIRA.

• Overview of Ada County Hazards Mitigation Plan Update for 2016 and Request for Public/LEPC Input and Participation (*PowerPoint Presented*)

Crash stated that the Ada County Hazards Mitigation Plan Update was underway. He shared that this plan is required to be reviewed annually and updated every five years, the last update was completed in 2011. He is hoping that the LEPC members will participate in the process and share in his desire is to build a more resilient community.

• The US Department of Homeland Security's Protected Critical Infrastructure Program (PCII): What is it and What is the Benefit to the Private Sector?

Heidi Novich, Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security and Eric Puype, Department of Homeland Security, walked the LEPC through the PCII program. They explained the level of confidentiality and protection provided for information that was obtained through this program from the private sector. They stated that this information could not be disclosed in civil litigation or through the Freedom of Information Act, or used for regulatory purposes. They then went on to identify who and under what circumstances specific entities could have access to the information in the PCII program. Both offered their assistance to any entity that might be interested in the program.

• Open Forum/Next Steps/Future Meeting Topics

Joe invited feedback on the proposed revisions to the THIRA and stated that he would share his PowerPoint presentation with the attendees as well.

Crash adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm and thanked everyone for their attendance.