

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Location: ILEAS Board Room

1701 E. Main St.

Urbana, IL 61802

Tuesday, December 11th, 2012 - 1:30pm

Welcome and Introductions

(See attached list of attendees)

Chairperson John Dwyer called the meeting to order at 10:35 am.

Approval of minutes from September 25, 2012 meeting

Minutes were approved by the group.

Presentation by Chris Miller from the National Weather Service (NWS), Lincoln, IL

Chris Miller from the NWS out of Lincoln briefed attendees about their HYSPLIT model. This model can forecast large scale, hazardous materials plumes and dispersion. This model can give emergency managers and incident commanders needed assistance in making critical public safety decisions, such as sheltering in place or evacuations. This system complements the Aloha software emergency management has. Aloha only does plumes for a 60 minute duration whereas HYSPLIT can go for hours. Emergency Management can call the NWS to run a HYSPLIT model for an incident

Discussion of Highway Closure Plan by Captain John Barker of Champaign Fire Department

Captain John Barker discussed the area interstate highway closure plan for incidents that could be hazardous materials related or traffic incidents. Secondary accidents can be overwhelming. This plans let cities and jurisdiction know how traffic will be routed according the location of the incident on the highway. This plan is in line with the University of Illinois and Parkland College evacuation plans. The plan will be implemented by April 1, 2013.

Discussion of 2012-2013 Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning (HMEP) Grant

Opportunities for conference attendance was discussed to include the 2013 Midwest Hazardous Materials Response Conference, May 3, 4 2013 in Northbrook, IL and the Midwest Emergency Preparedness & Response Conference, Rockford, Illinois, May 1-3, 2013

Set-up Meeting Schedule for 2013

The 2012 meeting schedule is as follows: February 26, April 30, July 30 and October 29. Meeting will be at 10:30am. Locations for the meeting are to be determined.

Open Discussion

April 2013 there will be a full-scale exercise with the National Guard in Rantoul with a hazmat scenario more information to follow. Also, Champaign County has been designated as StormReady County by the National Weather Service

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm

Next Meeting: Scheduled for February 26th, location to be determined.

Attendance list

Mike McCormick, Conair Corp.

Al Kurtz, County Board Chair

Tom Puracchio, Peoples Gas

John Dwyer, CC EMA

Shane Cook, CCSO

Rick Atterberry, CCEMA

John Carlson, CCEMA

Todd Hitt, CFD

John Barker, CFD

Jamie Davis, Red Cross

Anita Guffey, Carle Foundation Hospital

Dan Smith, IEMA

Dean Morgan, Supervalu

Eric Bornemann, DHS

Jackie Christensen, UCSD

Bruce Stickers, Champaign County Soil and Water Conservation District