REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE:

December 7th, 2020

SUBJECT: LEPC Annual Report

PRESENTER: Jimmy Brissie

ATTACHMENTS:

2020 Annual Report 2021 Roster

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Pursuant to Article 2-7 of the Local Emergency Planning Committee By-Laws, the 2020 annual report is hereby submitted. The membership roster for 2021 is also submitted for approval.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Request the Board consider approving the 2020 LEPC annual report and 2021 membership as presented.

Suggested Motion:

I move to approve the 2020 Local Emergency Planning Committee annual report and 2021 membership roster as presented.

LEPC Annual Report

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE



LEPC MEETINGS

The Henderson County LEPC held quarterly meetings during 2020. The January meeting was hosted by LEPC member Sierra Nevada at their facility. Attendees were provided an overview of Sierra Nevada's safety programs. Remaining quarterly meetings were held virtually to maintain safe practices during the pandemic.

I-26 CONSTRUCTION

During each 2020 LEPC meeting NCDOT staff provided updates and requested feedback from stakeholders regarding the I-26 widening project. DOT Staff continue to regularly coordinate with emergency responders and local hospitals during the project.

HAZARD MITIGATION

The South Mountains Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan was finalized and adopted by local authorities. This plan was also approved by NCEM and FEMA. Mitigation plans enable communities to be better prepared for disasters and ensure eligibility for state and federal assistance after a disaster. A copy of the plan may be viewed here.



CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

The Henderson County Department of Public Health, working with partner agencies such as Pardee Hospital, Advent Health, Blue Ridge Health and Emergency Management conducted regular coordination calls with the medical community to discuss strategies and impacts for the response to COVID-19. Pardee Hospital and Henderson County sponsored one of the first drive through testing clinics during March in collaboration with Blue Ridge Community College.

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) FACTS

- The Public Health EPI team hosted several workshops during the early stages of COVID impacts in the US. These meetings enhanced community coordination and communications.
- By the end of the summer EM processed over 300 resource requests for PPE and supplies in Henderson County.
- Public Health hosts a regular Zoom meeting for collaboration of all community partners including non-profits and service providers.
- Working with local doctors, EM and the Health Department the Rescue Squad developed one of the first Long Term Care Strike Teams in the nation. The Henderson County model has been shared nationwide.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS - RIGHT TO KNOW

North Carolina Emergency Management works with local governments, industry, and residents to mitigate and manage hazardous materials incidents following guidelines outlined in the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) and the Clean Air Act.

These laws require companies to report certain threshold quantities of chemicals for use by first responders, residents, the state, and local government. The collaboration created through these reports opens channels for communities to be informed and better prepare for chemical hazards.

Reports for a specific facility may be requested by contacting the Henderson County Emergency Management office at 828-674-4728.

Click here for information on NCEM's Hazardous Materials programs.



During 2019, a total of 95 facilities submitted the required reports for the use of chemicals in their facilities. These reports are immediately available for emergency responders for response and training.

LEPC SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS - 2021

The Henderson County LEPC will continue with quarterly scheduled meetings for 2021. The meetings will follow the State of North Carolina's guidelines for assembly in place at the time of the meeting, either in-person or virtual.

Meeting Dates: January 14th, April 8th, July 8th, October 14th

Industry partners who wish to be included in the LEPC meetings should contact Cathy Justice in the Emergency Management office to be added to the roster.

Call 828-697-4728 or email cjustice@hendersoncountync.gov

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