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HAWAII STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION MEETING # 119

Friday, September 25, 2020, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Department of Health, HEER Office 2385 Waimano Home Road, # 100 Honolulu, Hawaii 96782

Attendees

Voting:

Keith Kawaoka, Dept. of Health; Gerald Kosaki, Hawaii County LEPC; Alex Adams, Honolulu LEPC; Dr. Thomas Lee, Dr. Yuanan Lu, Public Health Studies, University of Hawaii; Jeff Kihune, Maui County LEPC; Albert Kaui, Kauai County LEPC; Mark Want, Dept. of Business Economic Development of Tourism; Tin Shing Chao, Occupational Safety and Health Division, Dept. of Labor and Industrial Relation; Greg Takeshima, Dept. of Agriculture; Luke P. Meyers, Dept., of Defense, HI-EMA

Non-Voting:

Sharon Leonida, Terry Corpus, Liz Galvez, Harold Lao, Isaiah Kela-Pacheco, Laura Young, Lynn Baily, Dept. of Health, HEER Office; Eric Jensen, Chris Curatilo, Tetra Tech; Bill Marhoffer, USCG/Oceania RRT; Bob Harter, City and County of Honolulu, DEM; Andrew Rocheleau, Sea Engineering; Jon Shear, Readyzonehq; Zoe Williams, Hawaii Gas; Eldon Mattos, Maui Soda and Ice; Kathy Ho, AG. Office; James Cruz, Dept. of Homeland Security;

- 1. Keith called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.
 - 1.1 Liz Galvez ask attendees to introduce themselves.
 - 1.2 Approval of minutes #118, minutes accepted pending changes. Motion to accept by Gerald Kosaki, seconded by Alex Adams.

2. LEPC Updates:

- 2.1 Hawaii County: Gerald Kosaki, LEPC Chair
 - 2.1.1 No meeting since the last one reported at the June HSERC meeting. We hope to have a zoom meeting in November or December, but no date has been set yet.
 - 2.1.2 There will be a new Mayor transitioning into the office. Gerald has updated the mayor's office on the current list of LEPC members and vacancies. He also updated the contact information of all the LEPC members.

- 2.2 Kauai County: Albert Kaui LEPC Chair
 - 2.2.1 No meeting was held since the last report at the June HSERC. Will set up a meeting for the first week in December 2020.
 - 2.2.2 Kauai is doing HazMat Tech and Operations Training.
 - 2.2.3 No major incidents last quarter.
- 2.3 Maui County: Jeff Kihune-LEPC Chair
 - 2.3.1 No meetings since the last HSERC.
 - 2.3.2 Training for the HazMat course was on August 24, because of social distancing, only 10 personnel could attend. Training instructor was Paul "Matty" Miguel and his company. Harold Lao helped to get the training in place. There is also a new HazMat captain.
 - 2.3.3 Jeff could not get much information on the following incidents.
 A person committed suicide by using Helium gas.
 There was a chemical spill in July.
 Maui Electric had an oil spill of more than 25 gallons on September 5.
 There was a White Powder incident at LOWE's. He will get more information about the powder.
 - 2.3.4 HazMat 10 has been relocated from Kahului Station to the Maui Schooner Resort in Kihei for the time being until further notice. Relocation was done to lessen the chance of COVID 19 infections to a multi-company station.
- 2.4 Honolulu City & County: Alex Adams- LEPC Chair
 - 2.4.1 No LEPC meeting since last report. Planning for a meeting on December 8, 2020. Just completed initial HazMat Technician Training. Course has been changed from 160 hours to 80 hours of training. Refresher HazMat Technician Training starts in October 2020.
 - 2.4.2 Kailua resident received package from Amazon, it was empty. Inside of package there was a white substance. HazMat was called, it was determined that this substance was a new type of padding. Liz showed an example of the package and contents.

At a construction site at Ward and Auahi, a Troxler density gauge was run over by a truck. Indoor & Radiological Health Branch (IRHB), was called. They determined that the instrument was not damaged and took over the incident.

Abandoned Trailers on the west side of Oahu. One trailer burned; Liz has more information. Liz added that we now have five trailers and a presentation will be done in December 2020.

At a Kaneohe Storage Facility, report of heavy smoke coming out of a locker. City and County Environmental Services were doing smoke testing for the sewer lines to detect leaks. Flyers were distributed to the area and was also in the newspaper to alert the public.

2.4.3 Fire Department helped with Surge Testing for COVID – 19, test kits are still available.

The Honolulu LEPC has been sending out articles of interest to their members.

3. KLEAN ERG 2020 – Kapolei Local Emergency Area Network

Emergency Resource Guide (ERG), 2020 - Jon Shear, Zoe Williams Zoe explained the reason for developing the resource guide.

Jon gave the background of work he has done for several years with KLEAN. Focus of the guide is on the Kapolei Area, but this guide can used statewide. Jon explains the guidebook and went over the different sections and what information was in each one. Slides showed examples of what was in each section. Many agencies contributed information and contacts in the ERG's.

Management company RMR has been working with the small tenants to help them with planning. Question from attendees. This presentation available online. KLEAN meetings are once a month.

The guide will be used to do exercise and training. This year the focus was to up grade the guide. Next year there are plans for an exercise.

4. ADDS Pack – Certification and Training – Liz Galvez, Isaiah Kela-Pacheco

At the June 2020 HSERC, Isaiah had given a presentation on the Fluorometer. This was part of the preparation for the annual ADDS PAK Certification and Training. This is an out brief of what happened at the training. Liz gave the history of the Airborne Dispersant Delivery System, ADDS PAK. March 2000, Clean Island Council announced purchasing the system. Curtis

Martin, Kim Beastly, Captain Gill Kanazawa were instrumental in helping Hawaii get this unit.

Liz explained the cooperative agreement between the State and Coast Guard for use of the system. Slides showed the different equipment, storage, and use for the unit.

ADDS PAC Training and Deployment training took place from June 29th, 30th, and July 1st, 2nd. June 29th, 30th will be used for the re-certification for US Coast Guard Pilots and Load Masters. July 1st, 2nd would be for the actual fly over and spraying. Eleven pilots and three loadmasters were certified at this time. Isaiah used slides to show and explain how the Fluorometer was used. Samples were taken to be used as data.

After deployment of dye, (used to represent oil), samples were taken again. Video showed the C-130 doing the fly over and spraying. Water was used for the training. There were scenes showing the release from inside the plane also. If a catastrophic event occurred there are two private response organizations that would be the **leads for the response**. The state would be the back-up. There are other sources that can be used.

5. Delivery of Emergency Response Guide, (ERG) Books – HEER

Sharon explained the number of books ordered for each county and asked the LEPC about distribution in their counties. No problems with delivery.

6. Future Dates for HSERC Meetings – HSERC

Calendars for the months of March, June, September, December were e-mailed to the HSERC members. Dates selected were:

March 12th

June 18th

September 24th

December 17th, 2021

7. Update on Health Department – Keith Kawaoka

Dr. Anderson retired on September 11, 2020; Dr. Park is on leave. Dr. Sarah Campbell is now the State Epidemiologist.

Preparing for next legislative session. Vacant positions were saved, but funding was lost. General funded positions are now gone. Budget reductions could be 10-20% of the operating budget. Furloughs for state workers are being looked at.

Keith is also TAing for the office of Office of Environmental Quality Control. Other issues, how to maintain services while personnel are teleworking, schools, reopening, sports activities for UH, other agencies asking for guidelines.

Trying to increase contact tracing efforts, also having testing for COVID - 19 for the public.

8. Other Business – HSERC

National Response Team Meeting was held using "TEAMS" on September 24, 2020.

- 1. Update of USCG, EPA, NOAA, SMART Monitoring Protocol will be reviewed and updated.
- 2. Decision Making Authority in Response to a Spill.

 NRT will look into providing guidance to clarify who decides what products may be used in response to an oil spill.
- 3. Training Sub-Committee under the Preparedness Committee is finalizing an online course. This will be hosted by FEMA Emergency Management Institute. This will be on National Contingency Plan versus National Response Framework Stafford Act Declared Disaster Pollution Response.

This should be on FEMA's website by December 1, 2020.

The Oceanic Regional Response Team have not been active, due to COVID. Not many incidents have occurred. Meeting have been held by using computer programs in Hawaii and Guam. They are developing an agenda to hold a meeting late in October 2020. Two meeting will be held, one for training, the second for discussions.

The ORRT website has been moved to the National Response Team platform.

The five (5), year mandatory major revision scheduled update of the Hawaii Area Contingency Plan will be done in 2021.

Inspections on contractors have been suspended.

MSRC has told Bill they would make available a 737 Dispersant Application Aircraft for use in Hawaii. It will be based in California or Washington State. They offered to give Bill a briefing. He accepted and asked to have Sector Honolulu, HEER Office, DEM, ORRT and Area Contingency Committee to also attend. He has not heard from them in the last three weeks. He will contact them later today.

November 18, 2020 the Oil Spill Task Force will be having a meeting via ZOOM. Registration is at: oilspilltaskforce.org.

9. Next HSERC Meeting is December 18, 2020.

Meeting Adjourned – 11:12 am

Respectively Submitted,

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