



## **EUREKA COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

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### **MEETING DATE**

The Eureka County Local Emergency Planning Committee met in the Eureka County Courthouse on June 17, 2025 at 12:33 p.m.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jeb Rowley-Chair, Miles Umina-Vice Chair, Michael Mears-Assessor, Raymond Hodson-Eu County (Alt), Jayme Halpin-Eureka VFD, Marty Plaskett-Commissioner, Nichole Cooley-Medical Services Director, Dennis Gordon-I80 Gold, Jason Cooley-Kinross, Sharon Montiel-CNHD, John Glover-School District Representative, James Clark-McEwen (Alt), Jeremy Rice-CV VFD (Alt). Also present, Olivia Mitchell-Nevada Department of Health and Human Services.

Absent were, Danny Brown-Eureka Fire Chief, Mike Podborny-Lions Club, Undersheriff Charles Cobb (Alt), Maria Menjivar-CNHD Public Health Preparedness Manager, Clara Bundy-SO (Alt), David Bixler-Saconix LLC (Alt), Mike Schoenwald-Commissioner (Alt), Roger Hubbard-EVFD (Alt), John Schweble, Jr., NDOT, Lisa Hutchison-School District Representative (Alt), Adam Barron-AEMT (Alt).

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Jeb Rowley called the meeting to order at 12:33 p.m.

### **AGENDA**

Jayme Halpin motioned to approve the agenda; Marty Plaskett seconded the Motion. Motion carried (10-0).

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Jeb Rowley called for public comment; there were none.

### **MINUTES**

Jayme Halpin motioned to approve March 18, 2025 minutes; Marty Plaskett seconded the motion. Motion carried (10-0).

### **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

Membership updates were made to the Law Enforcement Category replacing Undersheriff Tyler Thomas (Alt) with Undersheriff Charles Cobb (Alt), Jayme Halpin-Eureka VFD (Alt) was added to the Civil Defense category, Danny Brown-Eureka VFD was added to the Firefighting Category, and updating David Bilxer's representation to Interacid North America, Inc (Alt). Michael Mears pointed out that in the Elected State Official Category, Senator Pete Goicoechea is no longer the Senator and that the LEPC board needs to address this title to someone else at the next meeting. Jayme Halpin motioned to approve updates to the Law Enforcement, Civil Defense, Firefighting, and the EPCRA Facility Owners/Operators Categories. Michael Mears seconded the motion. Jason Cooley Kinross entered the meeting. Motion carried (11-0).

#### **SERC OPTE GRANT APPLICATION FY2026**

Chairman Rowley discussed reduced funding for the FY26 SERC OPTE Grant Application for the Eureka County LEPC Board receiving \$28,000.00 for the purchase of equipment and \$4,000.00 for operations equaling a total of \$32,000.00. Eureka County LEPC Board will be purchasing (2) two water monitors for the Beowawe and Diamond Valley Fire Stations, (3) three handheld radios, and (4) four batteries. Michael Mears motioned to approve the purchase of the (2) two water monitors, (3) three handheld radios, and (4) four batteries with the FY26 SERC OPTE Grant funding. Jayme Halpin seconded the motion. Motion carried (11-0).

#### **INCIDENTS AND EVENTS**

Chairman Rowley stated that Nevada Gold Mines reported five (5) Hazmat spill reports on mine property.

#### **HAZMAT PLAN EXERCISE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025**

Nichole Cooley-Medical Services Director offered to put together a forty-hour hazmat training using James Clark-McEwen as a resource with instructors from the McEwen mine.

#### **TRAINING, CLASSES, AND EXERCISES**

Nichole Cooley-Medical Services Director recommended having a decontamination tent training due to all the cyanide traveling through Eureka County to mine sites. Jason Cooley-Kinross mentioned that Kinross has utilized the company Sienco when dealing with hazmat training. The training includes a cyanide driver, a truck, and a training instructor. Nichole Cooley-Medical Services Director also mentioned that she will be having a conversation with the Eureka County shop teacher to practice a quick response plan if there is ever an emergency at the Eureka County School District.

Chairman Rowley mentioned that the state fire marshal will be arriving November seventh in Crescent Valley and November eighth in Eureka to conduct the burn trailer training. Rowley suggested that the Fire Department Chiefs and the LEPC Board confirm dates/times and coordinate with the Public Works Office. Marty Plaskett motioned to approve the burn trailer trainings in November. Jayme Halpin seconded the motion. Motion carried (11-0).

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Chairman Rowley discussed the update to the company name change for LEPC member David Bixler-Interacid North America, Inc (Alt), and reported the (5) five spill reports on mine property. Dennis Gordon entered the meeting.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

Chairman Rowley and the LEPC Board set the next meeting date for September 16, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. Jayme Halpin motioned to approve the September 16, 2025 as the next meeting date. Michael Mears seconded the motion. Motion carried (12-0).

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Jeb Rowley called for public comment; there were none.


#### **NEXT AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no items to consider requiring action to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Michael Mears motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:56 p.m.; Jayme Halpin seconded the motion. Motion carried (12-0).

APPROVED ON: September 16, 2025.

  
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Jeb Rowley, LEPC Chair

ATTEST:   
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Julia Annette Broad, LEPC Secretary