

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE  
REGION III

MINUTES

**Wednesday, October 1, 2025, 1400 hours**  
**Red Bluff Community Center**  
**1500 South Jackson Street**  
**Red Bluff, CA 96080**

- I. **Call to Order** – Gary Cantwell, Chair – 1402 hours
  - a. Introductions in-person attendees
  - b. Minutes review – due to limited members reviewing the minutes, no action was taken to approve them. Review and approval will need to take place at January meeting.
- II. **CalOES Update – Brian Mancebo of CalOES-HazMat Unit.**
  - a. Spill regulations – added an attorney to the group for review
  - b. Following several proposed bills in legislature related to lithium-ion batteries including AB 1285, AB 696, AB 855, SB 234, AB 841
  - c. Erika added an order option for 2024s on the state [LEPC website](#)
  - d. Continuing Challenge was well attended. 2026 Continuing Challenge will be held September 8-11, 2026. Instructor applications are being accepted in the portal.
  - e. SERC/LEPC – Ibrahim is hoping to attend the NASTTPO Conference in November.
  - f. HMEP grant update: Funding approved for three years; however, due to late notice the state was unable to process subgrant applications. Instead, locals are encouraged to utilize CSTI training that was funded.
- III. **Discussion: LEPC Region III member**
  - a. Nominations for Chair – discussed possible interest in chair position. No nominations were made. Group asked to consider options for this integral position.
  - b. Vice chair, Amy Travis, will fill in as interim chair for the January meeting.
    - i. Emails and meeting notifications will come from Amy Travis in the interim. Due to County email limitations to large groups, the emails will come from her Gov Delivery email account: Glenn County Sheriff – [gcsheff@public.govdelivery.com](mailto:gcsheff@public.govdelivery.com)
      1. This format only allows for links to documents, not attachments. Please click the embedded links to open and download agendas, minutes, training fliers, and calendar items.
  - c. Discussed other open membership positions. Amy will work on a consolidated list of openings to review at the January meeting.
- IV. **Subcommittee Reports- \*Action/Discussion – Chair**
  - a. CSTI Training – No report. [CSTI Training Bulletin can be accessed here.](#)
  - b. Upcoming Regional Training: Trainings received from the RDMHS – includes links
    - i. [Radiological Training for Hospital Personnel, November 4, 2025, Shield Training Center, Redding](#)
    - ii. [MERRTT \(Modular Emergency Response Radiological Transportation Training\), November 5-6, 2025, Shield Training Center, Redding](#)

- iii. [TEEX MGT 439 – Pediatric Disaster Response and Emergency Preparedness, November 17-18, 2025, Red Bluff Community Center](#)
- iv. [Joint Information Center Concepts \(JICC\) Training, December 4-5, 2025, Quincy.](#)
- v. [TEEX MGT 318 – Public Information Officer in All Hazards Incidents, April 29-30, 2026.](#)

c. Regional HazMat Response Teams

Activities of Regional HazMat Teams - HazMat Team Leaders or their representatives report on Regional HM Response Team responses and/or exercises.

- Butte County HazMat (Patrick Purvis)
  - Gas main rupture in Paradise this quarter.
- Shasta-Cascade HazMat Response Team (Jay Sumerlin) – Not present
- Yuba-Sutter HazMat Response Team (Gary Cantwell)
  - Sending members to WMD Summit
  - Sent members to Cal-OES Family Day event

**V. Agency Reports \*Discussion**

Each agency representative listed below will give a brief report on incidents/activities that are of interest to the LEPC members and first responders.

- A. **CalOES** (Inland Region) – (Jasen Vela–CalOES)
  - a. Additional vacancies in ESC positions in the Inland region. Hiring.
- B. **Industry** (Railroad/PG&E) – (UP Railroad) Not present (NP)
- C. **California Highway Patrol** – (CHP) - NP
- D. **Transportation** – (Mike Norton-CalTrans) NP
- E. **Dept. of Toxic Substances Control** – (Brian Abeel-DTSC) NP
- F. **Regional Water Quality Control Board** – (Mark Bare)
  - a. Working the Tuolumne Fire cleanup
- G. **OSPR** – (Hailey Cole-Ca DFW-OSPR)
  - a. Continue to work the Dunsmuir long term cleanup. An oil release occurred on Monday and resulted in OSPR response.
  - b. Klamath Geographic Response Plan was released. It includes access points and contacts.
- H. **S-SV EMS** – (Jennifer James-S-SV EMS)
  - a. Amy Travis reported that Glenn Medical Center has closed their Emergency Department as of 9/30. The inpatients are being discharged over the next two weeks which will result in the full closure of the hospital. Clinics will be the only remaining service. This is the only hospital in Glenn County and will result in no assets for patient decontamination in a chemical release event.
- I. **Tribal** – (Darrell Frost, Kuark Tribe)
  - a. [Blue Lake is hosting a number of trainings. They can be accessed here.](#)
  - b. Received a DWR grant for the Orleans area of Humboldt. Potable water stations added.
- J. **Military** – (Quentin Graham, Sierra Army Depot/Eric Maresh, Beale Air Force Base)
- K. **CUPA Board** – (Gary Cantwell-Yuba Co. Environmental Health/CUPA)
  - a. Single wall tank removal required by 12/31/25. CUPAs will be enabled to fine for non-compliance.
- L. **Homeland Security** – NP
- M. **Regional Terrorism Threat Assessment Center** – NP
- N. **Ca Dept of Public Health** – (Natalia-CDPH)

- a. [Release Lithium Ion Batteries after Wildfire Guidance. It can be accessed here.](#)
- O. **CalEPA** – (Allison Wilder-CalEPA) NP

**VI. Chairperson's Report** \*Action/Discussion

- a. Gary encouraged members to consider a replacement chair.
- b. Brian Mancebo offered that Cal-OES is assembling a list of presenters at LEPCs to assist Chairs will identify available presenters and topics.

**VII. Public Comments** \*Discussion - None

**VIII. Schedule Next Meeting** \*Discussion

Next scheduled meeting: **January 7, 2025**

**IX. Adjournment** 1430 hours

**2026 Meeting Schedule**

**Once a quarter**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location (Unless noted otherwise)</b>
January	<b>January 7</b>	<b>Red Bluff Community Center 1500 S. Jackson Street Red Bluff, CA 96080</b>
April	<b>April 1</b>	Same as above
July	<b>Tentative - July 1</b>	Same as Above
October	<b>October 7</b>	Same as above

Regular meetings of the LEPC will be held on **the first Wednesday every 3 months beginning at 1400 hours**, unless changed by the membership or Chairperson at the previous regularly scheduled meeting.

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