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Meeting Minutes
August 14th, 2025 | 10:00 AM
Hybrid Meeting

**1. Self introductions & call to order @ 10:00 AM by Stephen D. Mayville,
Chairperson**

Members Present:

Note: "V" indicates a voting member or alternate voting member.

"" indicates in person attendance.*

Stephen Mayville, Regional Water Quality Control Board - Region 8 (Retired)
(V)

*Greg Zeigler, San Bernardino County Fire (V)

Oscar Robles, Imperial County (V)

*Lisa Mitchell, Riverside County Department of Environmental Health –
Hazmat (V)

*Chuck Griffin, Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board(V)

*Dave Seneviratne, San Diego Fire Department (V)

*Leon Wirschem, County of San Diego – Department of Environmental Health
& Quality (V)

*Chris Tucker, Riverside County Department of Environmental Health (V)

Cedric Cesena, Imperial County Fire Department

Curt Corbin, Orange County Fire Authority (LEPC, Reg. I Vice Chair)

Claudia Ayala, Lanterman Regional Center

Tony Arellano, Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Steve Zody, 195 Wing, CA ANG

Adrian Allen, Veteran's Affairs – Loma Linda

Bret McLaughlin, Veteran's Affairs – Office of Emergency Management

Jenna Stein, City of Poway

Mina Taghizadeh, Cal Environmental Protection Agency
Greg Papazian, Coachella Valley Water District
William Whitten, Mission Springs Water District
Jessica Kading, Helix Water District
Steven Lozano, San Diego Fire – Rescue Department
Thaddeus Hunt, California Department of Public Health
Riley Smith, California Department of Fish & Wildlife – OSPR
Cymbre Magana-Figueroa, California Department of Fish & Wildlife – OSPR
Martin Garcia, California Department of Fish & Wildlife – OSPR
Carlos Ortega, Department of Toxic Substance Control
Daven Solis, Stantec
Adrian Fernandez, Commercial Custom Seating
Erika Olsen, Cal OES
Ibrahim Koroma, Cal OES
David Stone, Cal OES
Ismael Iniestra, Cal OES
JP Robles, Cal OES
Dianne Bocanegra, Cal OES
Jack Fry, Cal OES
Jacqueline Perez, Cal OES
Jose Ortega, Cal OES
Joanne Romero, Cal OES
Cruz Ponce, Cal OES
*Brian Mancebo, Cal OES
*Andy Priest, Cal OES
*Jose Contreras, Cal OES
*Chris Herring, Cal OES
*John Rose, Cal OES
*Deborah Yoon, Cal OES

2. Voting Member Roll Call – Stephen Mayville

- Voting members present, quorum has been met.

3. Approve minutes – Stephen Mayville

- Approve minutes from 2025 Q2
 - Greg Zeigler motioned to approve; Chuck Griffin seconded the motion; minutes are approved as is.

4. Cal OES legislative status report – Brian Mancebo, Erika Olsen, & Ibrahim Koroma

- Ibrahim Koroma will be traveling to Rogers, Arkansas to the National Association of SARA Title III Program Officials (NASTTPO) conference in November.

- Draft regulations have been returned from Cal EPA. The draft will be sent to OSPR's legal team and Cal OES executives after for review.
- Assembly bills of concern are AB 1285, AB 855, and SB 234.
- ERG requests can be made online at the bottom of the LEPC site.
- Continuing Challenge spots have all been filled and notified. Cancellations will be filled with other LEPC Region 6 applicants on the waitlist until filled. Empty spots will be filled through other regions once the waitlist is exhausted.
- HMEP grant funding can be used to acquire a contractor to draft a Regional Plan. Staff are brainstorming how to work out the money side of things and what services different contractors provide.
- 2025-2026 grant came in late, and Cal OES internally decided to not issue subgrants due to time constraints. The grant monies will be reallocated to the next fiscal year.

5. Presentation

- Cancelled due to scheduling error.

6. Subcommittee reports

• Martin Lang – Transportation

- Not present

• Chuck Griffin – Bylaws

- Nothing to report (NTR)

• Dave Seneviratne – Training

- NTR

• JP Robles – CSTI

- [Training Bulletin](#)
- Specialist Level F class will be held in Imperial County on February 26 & 27th, 2025.

• Leon Wirschem – Environmental

- AB 841 requires the State Fire Marshal to form a working group to develop recommendations for improved PPE and decontamination procedures for firefighters responding to lithium-ion batteries.
- SB 404 establishes a new permitting and regulatory framework for metal shredding facilities where DTSC maintains oversight.
- AB 998 allows schools to use existing Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facilities to safely dispose confiscated vape pens. This makes the disposals easier for school and push the disassembly of the vape pens on the facilities. The worry is that the facilities will often times have multi-year contracts with the schools that may not include vape pens.

• Lisa Mitchell – CUPA

- CERS NextGen will be implemented around 2027. Trainings and town halls will be held to encourage conversations about the implementation.
- The next CUPA Conference will be held in March 23-26, 2026 in San Diego.
- **Oscar Robles – Fire**
 - NTR

7. Old Business

- No items

8. New Business

- Next meeting locations:
 - 2025 Q4 meeting @ Riverside County Department of Environmental Health
 - 2026 Q1 meeting @ San Diego (location TBD)
- Future meeting presentations:
 - Cybersecurity by William Luna
 - How radio comms are handled in emergency and mutual aid situations (presentation possibly for San Diego)
 - Chinese pesticides at illegal grows
 - Lithium-ion battery issues update by Chief Robert Rezende and Rob Weise
 - Ammonia Institute, issues overview

9. Roundtable Discussion

- Curt Corbin
 - Downey Juvenile Hall was in the news recently for having multiple overdoses that were excessively treated with Narcan. No other information is available.
- Cymbre Magana-Figueroa
 - The El Cajon Pass Geographic Response Plan edit will be sent to the LEPC for review.
- Thaddeus Hunt
 - California Department of Public Health will present a 4-hour lecture at the Continuing Challenge. The lecture will explore the investigative hazmat procedures.
- Adrian Fernandez
 - Adrian attended a block party type community emergency preparedness event. Listos California offers free kits so that neighborhoods can host their own block party.

10. Public Comments

- No public comments.

11. Next meeting arrangements

- Next meeting will be held November 13th, 2025.

12. Meeting adjourned by LEPC Region VI Chair, Stephen D. Mayville