

HazMatters

The Apalachee Local Emergency Planning Committee held its most recent quarterly meeting on February 16th at the Capital Area Chapter of the American Red Cross in Tallahassee. The next meeting of the Apalachee LEPC is scheduled for Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 10:00 am at the Capital Area Chapter of the American Red Cross. The meeting will include a Hazards Analysis overview for the counties of Franklin and Liberty. As always, anyone interested in attending the meeting is welcome.

The following is a summary of recent LEPC staff activities over the last quarter:

Hazardous Materials Training

Staff coordinated the following training over the last quarter:

Date	Course	Location	Hours	Attendees	Total Hours
2/1-5/16	40-hr OSHA HAZWOPER	TFD Training Division	40	14	560
2/6/16	8-hr Operations Refresher	Jefferson Co. EOC	8	16	128

Staff coordinated a 40-hr OSHA HAZWOPER/Technician Level course for Florida Department of Environmental Protection personnel as well as other regional responders on February 1st – 5th. Staff also coordinated an 8-hr HazMat Operations Refresher course for Jefferson County fire personnel on February 6th.



FDEP personnel at the recent 40-hr Technician Level Course.

Staff worked to arrange for travel reimbursement for 7 personnel from the Tallahassee Fire Department and Leon County EMS who attended the 2016 HazMat Symposium in Daytona Beach. Staff scheduled one 24-hr OSHA HazMat Operations course in Tallahassee for May 3rd - 5th 2016. Staff also scheduled an 8-hr OSHA HAZWOPER/Technician Level Refresher course for June 8, 2016 for FSU Environment & Safety personnel as well other regional first responders.

LEPC Biennial Exercise

Staff has postponed planning to develop a tabletop exercise for the Leon County/Tallahassee Public Safety Complex (PSC) for now. The LEPC's biennial exercise will be held in conjunction with the North Florida Regional Domestic Security Task Force exercise that is scheduled for May 16, 2016. The first planning meeting was held on February 25th. A hazardous materials component will be included as part of the developing scenario.

Hazards Analysis Updates

Staff has continued Hazards Analysis work for Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jefferson, Liberty and Leon Counties. Staff has submitted the final HA deliverables to DEM and has received approval. All facilities have been notified. Electronic copies of the HAs will be sent to the corresponding Emergency Management offices and the Tallahassee Fire Department Hazardous Materials Team.

HMEP Planning Project

Staff has begun work on an updated Hazardous Materials Commodity Flow Study for its FY 2015-16 planning project. A placard survey is currently being conducted across the District for a 6-month period. Staff recently received the Density Study from CSX. The final report will be completed in July/August.