

**Eastern Madera County  
Emergency Preparedness Committee  
Meeting Summary  
February 11, 2010  
Sierra Ambulance Training Headquarters-Oakhurst, CA**

**Meeting Attendees:** Charles Banks, Chris Dragoo, Rich Drozen, Ray Fonda, Ed Guzman, Christi Hansard, David Irion, David Konno, Jere Miller, Diann Miller, Dick Rekart, Joseph Shreve, Hollie Shreve, Bernie Smith, Janet Stanovich, Jerry Thompson, Mike Vaughn, Tom Wheeler, Dave Wolin

**Meeting called to order:** 0735

**Committee Introductions:**

**Old Business**

**New Business**

A staff member of the Madera County Department of Environmental Health presented Madera County's Hazardous Materials Area Plan that describes the roles, responsibilities, guidelines, and required training, etc. in the event of a hazardous materials incident. The plan is also applied to chemical pesticide exposures. One the most common hazardous waste spillage comes from meth labs, followed by diesel and gasoline spills. The plan is updated very three years and is funded through state grants.

A discussion was held regarding the next functional drill focusing on meth/chemical waste exposure/fire that would involve decontaminating patients and evacuation of animals.

**Discussion/Roundtable**

Janet Stanovich is working on the local mitigation plan and will have a rough draft completed in June. There will be public hearings March 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> in Madera and Oakhurst. Although the Golden Guardian will be focusing their drill on port security, her emphasis will be flood related.

Tom Wheeler states the next town hall meeting will be held Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm at the North Fork Town Hall.

Jerry Thompson has nothing to report at this time.

Christi Hansard is currently working on various projects.

Ray Fonda reminds the committee that Sierra Pines is always available if needed.

Mike Vaughn will begin shelter training and will be developing a protocol prior to fire season. The first training meeting will be held April 24<sup>th</sup> for animal evacuation, followed by training for large animal evacuation and shelter in May.

David Irion states that Cal Fire will be doing blood pressure screening at St. 8 & 12 and at the Rancheria and Bass Lake Stations on Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup> from 1-4pm.

Chris Dragoo reports that H1N1 cases have leveled out. She notes that the facility did have an incident involving a chemical odor. It was discovered that the dental office was refinishing their cabinets and the potent odor was coming through the ventilation system.

Bernie Smith reports that plans were approved. On March 1<sup>st</sup> they will be having their first audit. The Health Department held 50 clinics and 3 drive-through clinics for H1N1 vaccinations. By going to the schools to vaccinate the children, the Health Department developed sound relationships with the teachers and administrations. All children who were vaccinated were put into the state computerized immunization system. The Health Department will have a functional drill November 8<sup>th</sup>. The committee commends the Health Department on the great job it did in its seasonal flu and H1N1 vaccination clinics.

Jere Miller is working with the Head Start Program speaking to children about fire safety. The paperwork for the new station is moving along and ground breaking will begin soon. The fire auxiliary will be April 24<sup>th</sup> for a BBQ and Earth Day is April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Dick Rekart states his organization's next drill will be held in June.

David Konno reminds the committee about the free chipping program that was implemented for the disabled, seniors, and tribal citizens.

Dave Wolin congratulates Ed Guzman and Sierra Ambulance as Business of the Year.

Rich Drozen is working on evacuation maps for the incident commander for the Sheriffs and Cal Fire. He reports that Station 12 is on target. The Bass Lake Station will be breaking ground soon by Roads 426 and 223 (Teaford area).

Ed Guzman will be traveling to Canada to inspect the three new ambulances. They should be delivered by the end of March. The new ambulances will be better able to

handle snow and mud road conditions. The new ambulances allow for more room for patient care and storage.

Charles Banks has nothing to report at this time

**Next Meeting:** March 11, 2010

**Meeting adjourned at:** 8:40am

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Hayes