

STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION

RAD Committee Meeting

State Emergency Response Commission

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MEETING MINUTES (Subject to Committee Approval)

Wednesday, March 20 2019

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PARTICIPATING:

Mr. Jon Bakkedahl, Chairperson

Mr. Augustine "Gus" Farias

Mr. Eric Santos

Mr. Patrick Halligan

Ms. Sarah Hartson

Mr. Will Grass

Mr. Ross Rivera

Mr. Patrick Lamberty (for Scott Lewis)

Others in Attendance

Mr. Nathan Hastings, State Deputy Attorney General

Ms. Christina Wilson, SERC Coordinator

Ms. Wendi Wyatt

1. CALL TO ORDER (Non-action Item)

Chairperson Bakkedahl: Opened the meeting at 10:37 AM. He welcomed everyone to the inaugural RAD Committee meeting.

**2. ROLL CALL, CONFIRM QUORUM, AND INTRODUCTIONS
(Non-action Item)**

Ms. Wendi Wyatt conducted a roll call. A quorum was present.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-action Item)

Chairperson Bakkedahl: Advised that no vote or action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. He asked if there were any public comments. There were no public comments.

4. REVIEW THE APPROVED CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS (CONOPS) AND SUSTAINMENT PLAN (Discussion Only)

Chairperson Bakkedahl: explained the committee would review two documents, the approved concept of operations, (the CON OPS) and the Sustainment Plan. Both documents were created by a working group composed of the US Department of Energy, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office and some experts throughout the state. The SERC RAD Committee will be responsible for the review and approval of future revisions. The documents will be maintained on the State Fire Marshal, SERC, FTP Website and in a read-only version.

The Concept of Operations document is a state basis text primarily for preventative radiological and nuclear detection. Attached to the CON OPS document will be documents and information for the purposes of responding to and recovering from a radiological scenario as well.

The Sustainment Document details out a training and exercise in equipment, retention and practice policy; how some of the instruments are calibrated through DEM and through other purposes. There's funding avenues through the state, as well as through national grants.

The basis behind these documents is to get everyone on the same page in the state should there be a radiological scenario. The Committee should take the time to go through the entire document. There will need to be some updates to it and that work should be done through the RAD Committee to make that happen. That will have to be something that's agendized to make the changes to the documents. The Committee just needs to be aware that the document is there, what it's for and the intent behind it.

Chairperson Bakkedahl: asked if everyone had had a chance to read the documents and asked if there were any questions? Many identified and unidentified speakers had not yet received the documents via email, so the Chair asked Ms. Wilson to resend the documents to all Committee members ASAP.

Ms. Christina Wilson: stated she would send both documents to all Committee members ASAP.

Chairperson Bakkedahl: said although the CON OPS document says "for official use only," there are no restrictions for public release on the document. There are no restrictions on the Statewide Sustainment Plan, either.

Chairperson Bakkedahl: went on to say after everyone has had a chance to review the documents, he will create a topic on the agenda that allows for action to create amendments to the current documents as they are two years old and the Committee can create a newer version with a new revision date so there are fresh documents moving forward.

5. RAD COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE POTENTIAL FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO TRAIN JURISDICTIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE ON THE BASIS AND USE OF THE DOCUMENTS (Discussion/Possible Action)

Chairperson Bakkedahl: said they are looking for Committee Members who have the ability to go out and talk at LEPC meetings about the documents and how they're being integrated into the state, into the jurisdictions as well as the Agencies statewide for a smooth operation, whether it be preventative or response to any radiological incident. This may include developing regional areas and assigning Committee members to support their region and supply the two plans and train jurisdictions on the uses of the documents. There are NDOT regions - a north, a south, and an Eastern region, broken up by major US highways. There was a brief

discussion about different Committee Members who could assist with training, including associates within VA Hospitals and the RAP Team out of Lawrence Livermore. The Chair said once people review the documents and come back with some feedback, then they can start coordinating a review of the documents, as well as coordinating some outreach and training.

6. I-80 MOCK SHIPMENTS, DRILL AND TABLE TOP (Discussion/For Possible Action)

Chairperson Bakkedahl: said the Committee's role is limited to coordinating and not funding or approving grants. This does not come out of SERC grants in any way, shape or form. Possible action may include members of the Committee being assigned to coordinate with LEPCs in relation to their exercises, training and equipment purchases/calibrations. This would again be through LEPC coordination. All of the LEPCs have some sort of radiological component, usually through their HAZMAT discussions at their LEPC meetings through all of the counties. So, this will again be part of that planning.

Late last year they did an I-80 mock shipment of a radiological transport from the state of California, through Nevada to the state of Utah. It was very successful, both with a mock shipment as well as a radioactive neutron emitter to be able to drill their testing of their equipment, seeing how it detects neutrons and the capabilities and limitations of their equipment.

There were also three tabletops associated with that in the three counties of Washoe, Humboldt and Elko County. That was all a very big success and it's leading up to the shipment that's happening in January of some true transgenic waste that's going to be coming out of California and going across I-80.

The Chair is currently working with Washoe County on a prevention, radiological and nuclear detection exercise specifically with Reno Police Department's Clear Team, with support from the Reno Triad HAZMAT Team and the National Guard Civil Support Team.

For the Statewide Complex Coordinated Terrorism Attack in November, there is no radiological component. It is firearms, explosives and then some chemical and biological components, by jurisdiction. Nothing at a statewide level and no RAD is being introduced into that exercise.

The Division of Emergency Management has applied for a Radioactive Materials License. It will be a DEM funded operation and coordinated through Southern Nevada as well. It's about a two-year implementation plan for calibration and an immediate implementation plan of the training sources being available for responders.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-action Item)

Ms. Christina Wilson: said she had been trying to send out the CON OPS document and the Sustainment Document to Committee Members, but because of the documents' size, she would have to split them up in attachments in two separate emails.

Chairperson Bakkedahl: asked everyone to reach out to Ms. Wilson directly, individually, so that she knows that she can add Members to the FTP server and they can have access to documents on her website. He said he appreciated members working with him to get the RAD Committee vision off the ground. Members need to get familiar with the documents and understand that they're looking for people to be able to participate at LEPC meetings and push this information out for the Committee. Their objective as part of this Committee is to support the jurisdictions by reviewing and participating in plans. As they're reviewing the documents, as they're thinking about their schedules, they need to get with the Chair directly on an individual basis as to their

availability so he can start to coordinate that and create an agendized item to develop that at the next meeting.

Chairperson Bakkedahl: said he would create a Doodle Poll to schedule to next meeting date and time. He thanked everyone for their participation and said he looked forward to working with them in the future.

8. ADJOURNMENT (Discussion/For Possible Action)

Chairperson Bakkedahl adjourned the meeting at 10:59 AM.