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RB **Richard Brenner** 0:03

I believe we're gonna kick this meeting off.

This is our first quarterly meeting for 2026 for the Nevada State Emergency Response Commission. We'll go to our agenda and the first item on the agenda is called the meeting to order. Second item is roll call and confirmation that we have a quorum and doing introductions and just as a reminder, if everybody would please go to the chat and put your name down so that Kelly will have the individuals that attended the meeting. We'd appreciate it.

Kelly, I'm gonna hand it over to you.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 0:38

OK. Susan Crowley..

Gil.

D **Doucet, Gilbert J**

Yep, I'm here present.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 0:51

Mike Mallner

MM **Mike Mallner** 0:59

I'm present. Also, I'm unable to send messages into the chat for some reason it says I'm not a member so apologies I can't put my name and title in there.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 1:10

Thank you for mentioning that.

MM **Mike Mallner** 1:12
Yeah.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 1:14
Deborah Dailey.
Amanda.

AW **Amanda L Windes** 1:25
Present.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 1:30
James Johnson.
James Johnston.
Thought I saw him, James.

RB **Richard Brenner** 1:43
I see a hand wave.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 1:47
OK.
Kelly Thomas.

KT **Kelly Thomas** 1:57
Present.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 2:00
Nicole.

NH **Nicole Hoekstra** 2:03
Present Kelly.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 2:05
Michael Morton.

Michael Morton.

Tappan.

TC **Tappan Cornmesser** 2:25

I am here.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 2:28

Lance Chandler.

LC **Lance Chandler** 2:32

Present.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 2:35

Allison.

AH **Allison Genco Herzik** 2:38

I'm here.

Thanks Kelly.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 2:41

Richard's here. Eric Santos.

+17***87** 2:45

Hi, present.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 2:47

Dennis Nolan.

+17***95** 2:50

Present.

We are, thank.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 2:56

We have 12 out of 17.

RB **Richard Brenner** 3:07

OK.

Good. So, we have a quorum.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 3:07

So we have a quorum.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 3:10

Richard.

RB **Richard Brenner** 3:11

Yes.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 3:12

This is this is Lori again.

We need to make sure everybody can contribute.

I it sounded like somebody was having mic issues.

Maybe we need to make sure everybody can fully participate.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 3:26

He actually typed it in the chat his chat works.

NH **Nicole Hoekstra** 3:33

That was Eric Santos, and I muted him, and he unmuted.

RB **Richard Brenner** 3:34

You hear that, Laura?

NH **Nicole Hoekstra** 3:38

He was able to unmute himself, so he should be good.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 3:44

OK.

So you confirm that everybody.

RB **Richard Brenner** 3:47

Communicate. Yep.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 3:48

Can hear and. OK, perfect. Thank you.

RB **Richard Brenner** 3:51

Thank you, Laurie. Welcome.

To my next question to Kelly, to see if we had the AG, the DAG.

So thank you for attending our meeting.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 4:03

You're welcome.

RB **Richard Brenner** 4:04

The next item is public comment.

Item number 3.

Do we have any public comment?

Hearing none, I'll move on to item number four. Item number four is the approval of the October 3rd, 2025 meeting minutes. They've been posted on the website.

Does anybody have any questions, comments or feedback or any changes?

They would like to see. If not, would somebody like to make a motion to approve those minutes?

+17***95** 4:44

This is Dennis, I move to approve.


TC **Tappan Cornmesser** 4:44

Richard I will make a motion to approve.


RB **Richard Brenner** 4:47

Thank you, Lieutenant Tappan.


Do I have a second?


 +17*****95 4:53
2nd.


 +17*****87 4:53
Yep.

 **Richard Brenner** 4:55
And who is the second I need?
We need that for the.


 +17*****95 4:59
That's Dennis.

 **Richard Brenner** 5:01
Dennis. OK.
Thank you, Dennis.
It was Dennis Nolan who made the 2nd.
Discussion.
Hearing no discussion, I'll call for the vote.
All in favor, please say aye. Aye, aye.

 **Nicole Hoekstra** 5:16
Aye, aye.

 **Richard Brenner** 5:17
Aye, aye.

 **Doucet, Gilbert J** 5:17
Aye,

 **Richard Brenner** 5:22
Any opposed. The motion carries unanimously.
All righty, let's move on to item number 5. Item number 5 is Commission members
and Standing Committee update.

We did lose Jim Morgan, who was with Storey County and with the Quad County HAZMAT team. He did retire and we're in the process of bringing his replacement Bob Riser. He's the Fire Chief at Storey County and I spoke with him about Jim's retirement, and he's offered to come on. So, Kelly's been working on getting the right connections made. So that's potentially a new member that we may have to replace, Jim. Kelly, is there anybody else that you've heard from or in reference to the SERC Commission?

KH **Kelly Hutter** 6:14

No, I haven't had any more, but I did hear back from Boards that Gil, they were reviewing your paperwork and everything for signature. So, you should be getting an e-mail.

RB **Richard Brenner** 6:34

OK, good then, alrighty and thank you, Kelly.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 6:36

Mm-hmm.

RB **Richard Brenner** 6:39

I know you sent out an e-mail that some folks will be coming up to their end of term. So thank you for being on top of that before they go out of term, so I appreciate it and it takes a while to work with commissions and boards to reapply and everything. So, it's just something that's good that we stay on top of it.

The next one is committee membership. At present time, I don't think we need any changes on the committee members, our subcommittees, our finance, our planning and training bylaws. But if anybody, we don't have any, any new members, but if anybody would like to become a member of those committees we always have openings, so please feel free to ask Kelly or myself or Dennis. We'll move on to item number six; item number six is the local emergency planning committee updates. This is where we go through the 17 counties and tribal nations and identify what's going on in each of the different counties and in the tribal world and basically this is a canned report. What I mean by canned is that you basically, if you're representing your county or tribal nation it's basically conditions, actions any needs that are needed so I'll start with Carson City.

Do we have anybody on from Carson City?

I Take it. Johns not there so we'll move on.

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 8:20

No John's here, Richard.

Sorry about that.

RB **Richard Brenner** 8:23

OK.

John, if you give your update.

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 8:28

Yeah, a lot of echo. Somebody else has their mic on.

All right, perfect. So, Carson City had its regular SERC meeting back in December.

We approved all of our staff ending the calendar year.

TW **Tristian Wadsworth** 8:40

Will you?

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 8:41

We actually invited Kelly Hutter out and she participated in our meeting as well so that we could have some SERC presentation and representation there.

All of our documents were signed off and completed and submitted to SERC.

So we're in compliance there. We sat down as a Quad County region working with multiple counties Carson City and Douglas County. Taking the lead with Lyon and Storey so that we could build out a multi patterned hazmat training schedule to help us all maintain our compliance as well as coordinating our efforts across the region.

So at this point our only actions are getting ready to fulfill grant obligations as we move forward and then our needs would be having good solid communication about those grants both in the application process. Then as we follow through submittals reimbursements and close out processes that transitions over the last several folks that have supported the SERC. Some things have just been lost in translation, so we're looking forward to building that capacity with Kelly. Thank you.

RB **Richard Brenner** 9:48

Sounds good, John. Thank you.

And Bob Riser is the contact person with Storey County. You're working with too.

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 9:55

That is correct. Through their Emergency Management department.

RB **Richard Brenner** 9:56

Excellent. OK, perfect. Does anybody have any questions for John?

Hearing none, we'll move over to Churchill County. Do I have anybody from Churchill County? Hearing nothing, I'll move to Clark County. Is there anybody representing Clark County?

CN **Cheryl Nagy** 10:21

Hi, Richard, this is Cheryl Nagy, representing Clark County OEM.

RB **Richard Brenner** 10:26

Hello, Cheryl.

CN **Cheryl Nagy** 10:27

How you doing, Richard? Miss you.

Right now, for our LEPC, we're refining the roster and expanding with two new committees for 2026 with the Lithium battery and the UAS, the unmanned aircraft systems and we are adding Senator Steinbach back in as our empty seat for the government seat and our next LEPC meeting is February 18.

RB **Richard Brenner** 10:55

Excellent. Thank you, Cheryl. Did anybody have any questions, Cheryl?

CN **Cheryl Nagy** 10:57

You Welcome.

RB **Richard Brenner** 11:02

Alrighty, let's move to Douglas County. Do we have anybody from Douglas County?

Hearing nothing will move to Elko County. Anybody from Elko?
Hearing nothing will move to Esmeralda, Esmeralda County.

P **Patricia Brownfield Esmeralda LEPC** 11:30

Patricia Brownfield with Esmeralda County. Can you hear me?

RB **Richard Brenner** 11:34

We can, Patricia.

P **Patricia Brownfield Esmeralda LEPC** 11:35

OK. We had our first quarterly meeting of the year last night and finalized all the yearend requirements which we will be sending off before the end of January.

RB **Richard Brenner** 11:51

Yep. Any actions or needs, Patricia?

P **Patricia Brownfield Esmeralda LEPC** 11:56

Not at this time.

RB **Richard Brenner** 11:58

OK. Thank you for that report.

Anybody have any questions for Patricia and Esmeralda County?

OK. Hearing none, we'll move to Eureka. Eureka County anyone there?

Hearing nothing will move to Humboldt County. Anyone from Humboldt.

CL **Carol Lynn** 12:21

Hi. This is Carol Lynn for Humboldt. We have already submitted all our compliance documents as far as actions going. We are working hard to develop our hazmat response capabilities. I have a LEPC meeting our first quarterly meeting today and the need that I have right now is the current grant information as far as moving forward this year. That's all I have.

RB **Richard Brenner** 12:52

Alrighty Carol. Thank you.

Anybody have any questions for Humboldt County?

Already we'll move to Lander County. Any questions for or anybody there from Lander County?

MY **MeShell Young** 13:06

Hello, this is MeShell Young for Lander County. We had a meeting on January 13th, and I was reelected as the chairperson moving forward.

RB **Richard Brenner** 13:09

Hello Michelle.

MY **MeShell Young** 13:17

We finalized all of the compliance documents for the annual report and sent it off a couple of days ago with the exception of the Minutes approving that will come through on February 10th, and we'll e-mail that as soon as that meeting is over with.

RB **Richard Brenner** 13:34

Any needs, Michelle?

MY **MeShell Young** 13:36

Not at this time.

RB **Richard Brenner** 13:38

Alrighty, thank you. Anybody have any questions for Michelle in Lander County? OK. We'll move on to Lyon County. Lyon County. Do I have anybody on the phone? Hearing none, I think I missed Lincoln County. Is there anybody from? Yep. OK.

DB **Derek Bowman** 14:01

Hey, Richard.

RB **Richard Brenner** 14:03

I apologize.

DB **Derek Bowman** 14:04

Derek Bowman, Lincoln County LEPC chair. So, we held our first quarterly LEPC meeting on January 6th.

We submitted all of our compliance items on the 8th Kelly. The one thing that's still waiting to be approved is the meeting minutes. Those won't be approved till our next LEPC meeting and then we'll send those as soon as they get approved.

RB **Richard Brenner** 14:27
Any needs or anything.

DB **Derek Bowman** 14:29
Nothing right now, Richard. Thank you.

RB **Richard Brenner** 14:30
Thank You Derek. OK. Any questions for Derek from Lincoln County?
OK. I'll move back to Lyon County. Is anybody there from Lyon County on the phone?
Hearing nothing will move to Mineral County, Mineral County.
Anybody on the phone? Hearing nothing will move to Nye County.
Is anybody on the phone, Mr. Lazenby? Yep, it's quiet, OK.
We'll move to Pershing County. Anybody from Pershing County?
OK, quiet will move to Storey County. Do I have anybody from Storey County on the phone?

TW **Tristian Wadsworth** 15:27
Afternoon Adam Wilson, director of Emergency Management and LEPC chair for Storey County. We just had our quarterly meeting.

RB **Richard Brenner** 15:32
Hello.

TW **Tristian Wadsworth** 15:34
Hello. We just had our quarterly meeting last week. No real changes out of our LEPC committee. We're just waiting on the Quad County hazmat drill plan for the upcoming year. No needs at this time waiting on the grant release and that's all I got.

RB **Richard Brenner** 15:56
Excellent. Thank you, Adam. Any questions for Adam in Storey County?
We'll move to Washoe County. Anybody on the phone from Washoe County?

Nick Francisco. OK. Nobody. I'm from Washoe County. OK, Todd.

Next one the last county is White Pine County. Do I have anybody on the phone from White Pine County?

MR **Mathias Rieske** 16:29

Mathias, Rieske for White Pine County.

RB **Richard Brenner** 16:32

Hello.

MR **Mathias Rieske** 16:33

Hello, Let's see today where we'll be finalizing our SERC compliance and we'll get that sent off hopefully in the next couple of days after that. Other than that, we also had a couple of questions about you know the grant timelines, but I'll reach out to Kelly separately on that. And no needs. Thank you.

RB **Richard Brenner** 16:58

That's coming. You're gonna hear a little bit of it today, and Kelly's gonna be getting that out here real soon. Any questions for White Pine County? Alrighty. And now let's move to tribal nations. I know, Lance, you were on the phone.

LC **Lance Chandler** 17:16

Yeah. Good morning, Richard. Good afternoon. Now unfortunately I was unable to get in contact with MTech staff for a report, but I did want to report that I received a request from the Fallon Pai Shoshone tribe, and I was able to work with Kelly and get them what they needed. So, thanks for Kelly's assistance on that in the report.

RB **Richard Brenner** 17:41

Alrighty. Thank you, Lance. Anybody have any questions for Lance?

OK, then let's move on to item number seven. Item number seven is non-state agency updates. These are federal partners. I'll go to us EPA. I thought I saw Bianca's name pop up on my phone. Are you there?

HB **Handley, Bianca** 18:03

Yeah. Can you hear me, Richard?

RB **Richard Brenner** 18:05

Loud and clear. Excellent. Glad you're here.

HB **Handley, Bianca** 18:07

Perfect. Yep, I am here. I have no updates for the group, but I just wanted to come on and introduce myself and I will drop my e-mail and contact information in the chat for you all, but let me know if you guys have questions.

RB **Richard Brenner** 18:22

And Bianca, if folks may remember Tom Dunkleman, you're basically Tom's replacement and.

HB **Handley, Bianca** 18:23

Yeah. Yep, feel free to call me Tom. I'll respond.

RB **Richard Brenner** 18:33

No, no, no. And on scene coordinator. So, if you need assistance, especially from hazmat type situations, feel free to call Bianca, I mean, that's what she does is helps us get assistance. So that Tom did it for many years and you know he retired. And I'm glad you're here representing EPA and thank you. We, we truly appreciate it.

HB **Handley, Bianca** 19:00

Thank you. Yes, and I'll drop our emergency spill line number in the chat as well. So, I'll put all that information in the chat.

RB **Richard Brenner** 19:06

Perfect. Thank you much. The next federal agency is FEMA. Do we have anybody on the line from FEMA? Hearing nobody, we'll move on to U.S. Department of Homeland Security, DHS. Do I have anybody on the line from DHS? Hearing none will move then to item number 8. Item number 8 is state agency updates. And we're going to start with the state, Nevada State Police, Highway Patrol, Nevada Highway Patrol on Lieutenant Tappan.

TC **Tappan Cornmesser** 19:45

Hi Richard and everybody. I'll make this super quick, which I'm sure you'll be pleased. We do not have any updates at this point.

RB **Richard Brenner** 19:53

Lieutenant Tappan, this is Richard. Just as do we have any ever heard anything from COMED in reference to the lithium ion and driving drivers certified in HAZMAT?

TC **Tappan Cornmesser** 20:05

No, I think that's still an ongoing topic, a matter of fact, we're sending four people to the COMED conference next week, so I suspect that after that conference and our next meeting, I'll have quite a bit to speak about to that question.

RB **Richard Brenner** 20:19

OK. Thank you, Lieutenant Tappan.

TC **Tappan Cornmesser** 20:21

Thank you, Sir.

RB **Richard Brenner** 20:22

Any questions for Lieutenant? OK.

Let's move on to the Nevada State Fire Marshal's office. Nicole.

NH **Nicole Hoekstra** 20:32

Thank you, Richard. Of course. My phone rings at that exact moment. Sorry.

So basically the Fire Marshal does not have anything to add at this time.

Our hazardous material program rolled to the new year on the 20th.

So we are set to go with that everybody submitting their hazardous material, so there'll be new companies added there for you LEPC's to download your new reports come after March. March 1st is when the deadline is done on that. And then we do have new requirement for LEPC's to be aware of in the hazardous materials system, which is we are requiring a 100 pounds or more of the CO2 tanks to be reported for now on. So that was a new requirement in the hazardous material system.

As for hazardous materials training, the Training Office is currently scheduling a

whole bunch of different trainings, but I do not have a list at this moment. I do expect one soon, but not in time for this meeting. Thank you, Richard.

RB **Richard Brenner** 21:44

Thank you, Nicole. Does anybody have any questions for Nicole?

CL **Carol Lynn** 21:50

I do.

RB **Richard Brenner** 21:50

Alrighty.

CL **Carol Lynn** 21:50

This is this is Carol from Humboldt. Hi, Nicole.

NH **Nicole Hoekstra** 21:54

Hey, Carol.

CL **Carol Lynn** 21:56

So what was the first thing you said I was writing and I missed that first thing.

NH **Nicole Hoekstra** 22:01

Our hazardous materials system, where all businesses have to report their hazardous materials for the year, has rolled and it is now active for this year. They submit from January 20th to March 1st. So as of after March 1st, you guys will be able to get any new company information.

CL **Carol Lynn** 22:18

OK.

NH **Nicole Hoekstra** 22:23

And stuff like that should be in the system and should be good to go.

CL **Carol Lynn** 22:27
OK. Thank you.

NH **Nicole Hoekstra** 22:28
Unless we find them as we go, do inspections and that kind of stuff.

CL **Carol Lynn** 22:32
OK. Thanks.

NH **Nicole Hoekstra** 22:33
Yep.

RB **Richard Brenner** 22:36
Any other questions for Nicole? Again, thank you, Nicole.

NH **Nicole Hoekstra** 22:43
Thank you, Richard.

RB **Richard Brenner** 22:45
All righty. We'll move to item C, which is Nevada Division of Environmental Protection. The Chemical Accident Prevention Program Administrator Kelly, hand it over to you.

KT **Kelly Thomas** 22:56
OK. Richard, no updates.

RB **Richard Brenner** 22:59
No updates at all. It's OK.

KT **Kelly Thomas** 23:01
No.

RB **Richard Brenner** 23:02
OK. We will move.

KT **Kelly Thomas** 23:04
Any questions? No questions good.

RB **Richard Brenner** 23:08
You're not building any new facilities or anything out there in the in Nevada?

KT **Kelly Thomas** 23:13
Oh wow, it's going nuts, Richard.

RB **Richard Brenner** 23:14
Sure it is. It is going nuts.

KT **Kelly Thomas** 23:16
Lots of lots of lots of propane up here up north. Lots of remodel projects down South. Fortunately, we did have a couple of incidence releases. I don't have any report on them, but, other than that, things been doing great here.

RB **Richard Brenner** 23:34
And Kelly, you're coordinating with fire departments in those areas, right?
With the different Yep.

KT **Kelly Thomas** 23:40
Oh yeah.

RB **Richard Brenner** 23:41
So I know you do.

KT **Kelly Thomas** 23:41
We, every chance we get and we any permit application we get we make sure we provide notification and invite them to any kickoff meetings that we have.

RB **Richard Brenner** 23:42
I just want it, so people know. Excellent. Thank you, Kelly. We appreciate the update.
Any questions for Kelly?

KT **Kelly Thomas** 23:59

Thank you.

RB **Richard Brenner** 24:03

OK. We'll move on to item D, which is the Nevada Division of Industrial Risk Relations. OSHA. Kim, are you on the phone? Do I have anybody else on the phone from OSHA? Kim is the new administrator for state OSHA, so we'll reach out to her. I know Kelly, you reached out to her, she reached out to us. Did she not?

KH **Kelly Hutter** 24:39

I actually reached out to her and talked to her about it and sent her the invite after we talked.

RB **Richard Brenner** 24:45

OK.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 24:47

I'll do it again.

RB **Richard Brenner** 24:48

Well, that OK sounds good. Thank you.

We'll move to item E, which is the Nevada Division of Emergency Management. I know Brett wasn't able to make it, but I think Sharon was going to be on the phone. Sharon, are you there on the phone?

SL **Sharon Luce** 25:03

Yes, this is Sharon Luce, Deputy Administrator on behalf of Administrator Brett Compston. Since the last time we briefed this group our agency has changed to the Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security that was in the past legislative session. This places us reporting directly to the governor and within the governor's cabinet, things that we are aware of there's some uncertainty in the future of the Federal Emergency Management Agency or FEMA and its grant funding sources. We don't have any additional updates on the status of that or any activities coming from the FEMA Review Council.

We are currently updating our response and recovery emergency operations plans, which includes engagement with emergency support function, 10 hazardous materials, the state agency that's responsible for that and our emergency support functions are participating in quarterly calls with our Emergency operations center. Managers and our watch Officer Duty Officer, cadre. Only other update is that Hal O'Brien is our state, voluntary agency liaison and is also our coordinator within our office to ensure that there is a representative from our office attending the local LEPC and those have been going great. Then lastly, we have a new state training officer. Her name is Rachel Shadle. She started with us this week and our training website is still at NBNTQs.net for any type of training opportunities and to report.

RB **Richard Brenner** 26:43

Thank you, Sharon, for that report. Does anybody have any questions for Sharon? Alrighty. I appreciate the report, Sharon, and thank you for attending the meeting. If we can be of any help, please don't hesitate to give us a call, Kelly or myself or Dennis.

SL **Sharon Luce** 27:01

Absolutely will do.

RB **Richard Brenner** 27:04

The last state agency we have is Nevada Radiation Control Program. Corey, are you on the phone?

CC **Corey Creveling** 27:12

Yes, I am.

RB **Richard Brenner** 27:14

Hello, Corey.

CC **Corey Creveling** 27:14

We had one. Hello.

RB **Richard Brenner** 27:17

Hello. You're go for it.

CC **Corey Creveling** 27:19

OK. We had one event that happen earlier in the late in the last quarter on October 16th we had a licensee report a stolen portable gauge. On the good side, on the 28th of October, thanks to the effort of Reno Fire Department John Bacatal on Carson City and the State Highway Patrol police, we were able to recover that gauge and give it back to the licensee. So that was it.

RB **Richard Brenner** 27:55

Well, that's good news. I'm glad we were able to get it back to the right person.

Well, I appreciate the report, Corey. Does anybody have any questions for Corey?

All righty. Let's move on to item 9.

Item 9 is SERC Committee reports and basically we just have two items on this right this the funding committee. At our last meeting in October, we did as a Commission vote on trying to get some software, the TRI Invoicing software and we voted to approve that, but we found out later on we this isn't like our type of how do you wanna say? A customer. You just can't go out and buy the software. We have to go through the budget process and procure the software properly and then have it installed by state IT. So, we're not gonna be able to make that purchase right now, but Kelly and myself and Dennis are working on getting that to happen.

In the next year or so, but we have to go through work our way through state budget process and make that happen. We were, Kelly was the one who did this and was able to get grant funding for the SERC grants and the United We Stand grants. Kelly, if I remember right. Correct me if I'm wrong. For the United We Stand grant. We'll have \$32,000 available per grant.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 29:26

Yes.

RB **Richard Brenner** 29:26

Application and then the SERC OPTE grant you were able to.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 29:28

Yes.

RB **Richard Brenner** 29:32

Procure \$36,000 for each grant application and that's 32,000 for equipment training operations. And 4000 would be for your operational, so.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 29:46

Yeah.

RB **Richard Brenner** 29:47

So thank you very much Kelly, for doing that. Is there anything you like to add Kelly in reference to the budget process and the software for the TRI stands for Toxic Release Inventory report? So, these are companies that have a waste stream and then they have to notify us of that waste stream. But is there anything you'd like to add Kelly in reference to this section?

KH **Kelly Hutter** 30:12

No, we are just working on our budgets right now. So, it's a process we have till July to get everything typed up turned in and our Fiscal department is doing a lot of it. Just start getting quotes and updating things for them. That's what I'm doing.

RB **Richard Brenner** 30:34

And the one other thing Kelly's trying to work on, too, is an in-person meeting. I'm hoping I've been saying this for the last 5-6 years that hopefully someday we will have that. We've got a budget for it. So that's going into our budget too. Alrighty then, let's move to item number 10. Item number 10 is the HMEP Grant discussion. This is a grant that we basically let go away a couple years ago, mainly because we weren't using it and we heard from various LEPC's and state agencies that it would be nice to have this back. So, Kelly and myself and Dennis and working with the governor's office and Mrs. McKnight, we were able to regain this HMEP Grant, which is a hazardous materials emergency planning grant. It actually run through us and Department of Transportation, which is a part. There's a hazmat park called PHMSA Pipeline Hazardous Material Safety Administration and we were able to get the money. Kelly, you know what the amount of money we have.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 31:55

Oh, 280,000, I think or something like that.

RB **Richard Brenner** 31:59

OK. So, this is primarily used for hazardous materials training. It can also be used for planning. The catch is we have to go through PHMSA to get it. Get these grants approved to use it and what we were trying to do is work with a training company out of Maryland who could do various types of hazmat training and Kelly has reached out, put emails out there. We've heard back from some folks, but she put another e-mail out there and really didn't hear from anybody. I've reached out to the folks here in Southern Nevada, Clark County Fire Department, Las Vegas Fire Department, Henderson Fire department. I've spoken with the Reno Fire Department folks. I've spoken with Jim up in Storey County, which is now Bob I should say but right now, the only LEPC we've heard from is Nye County and to use this grant we have to go to the IFC, which IFC stands for Interim Finance Committee, and we have to basically that amount of money that Kelly mentioned you have to put a plan together and document and show when we have to do this training. They wanna see all these things and we can't put anything together because again, we haven't heard from any LEPC's except a few counties. We need to put dates and times together and we can't do that without feedback from the LEPC's so

CL **Carol Lynn** 33:53

Are you? I'm sorry to interrupt. This is Carol from Humboldt County, so I know that I have been in contact with Kelly as far as up here. I haven't sent her anything in writing, but we are definitely planning on putting something together using the dates that she sent out.

RB **Richard Brenner** 33:56

Yeah

CL **Carol Lynn** 34:15

Are you saying that you haven't heard from us? Because I haven't put it in writing or what.

RB **Richard Brenner** 34:24
Kelly, did you receive?

KH **Kelly Hutter** 34:25
I updated Phoebe yesterday that you would return, you would have information to me by February 1st. She has that on her calendar, but until we hear from you I need 52 classes. That's what I need.

CL **Carol Lynn** 34:43
OK.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 34:44
And between just you and this and 1 county, that's not 52 classes. I need a lot of counties to step up and let's do some training.

CL **Carol Lynn** 34:54
OK. Thank you.

RB **Richard Brenner** 34:57
And so I'm just putting this out there, and Cheryl, are you still on the phone from Clark County?

CN **Cheryl Nagy** 35:04
I am. I'm making a note right now. I will talk to chief as soon as I get out of this meeting.

RB **Richard Brenner** 35:08
OK, because I've heard something. I talked to Gary Stevenson and Gary said something went out but the board hasn't got back to Kelly.

CN **Cheryl Nagy** 35:20
OK. I am actually writing it in a message to him right now and will get you some answers.

RB **Richard Brenner** 35:28

OK, I know there's no nobody on the phone from Washoe County. I did talk to Paul, who's one of the hazmat coordinators for the Triad team, which is basically Reno Sparks and Truckee Meadows. They work together for basically a hazmat task force. And they weren't really interested in any training they do most of their training in house. So that's what they were going to continue to do, and they didn't want to go outside. So, I'm just putting this out there If we don't get the information to Kelly and then we get the information, we have to give the information to the governor's office to go to interim finance, this isn't going to happen it just will not happen and it just gives us I want to say a black eye working with the governor's office. That's the best way I can put it.

CN **Cheryl Nagy** 36:20

Richard, this is Cheryl.

RB **Richard Brenner** 36:20

So please.

CN **Cheryl Nagy** 36:21

What's the deadline for a response?

RB **Richard Brenner** 36:24

Kelly, what's your deadline?

CL **Carol Lynn** 36:32

You're muted, Kelly. You're muted.

RB **Richard Brenner** 36:34

Kelly. Yeah. Thank you.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 36:35

I would need it by hopefully Wednesday next week because we really we've got to let the company also know so that they can give us the information. So, we have the cost to go to IFC.

CN Cheryl Nagy 36:48

OK, I will let him know. Thank you.

RB Richard Brenner 36:52

Thank you, Cheryl. Does anybody have any questions for Kelly in reference to this?

JB Jon Bakkedahl 36:59

I do, Richard. It's John back at all again. What specific training was this one?

KH Kelly Hutter 37:03

This is the HMEP training the HEMP grant is all the hazmat stuff.

JB Jon Bakkedahl 37:10

Right.

KH Kelly Hutter 37:11

You and Douglas County were working together and I sent out an e-mail last Wednesday with dates that the company kind of locked in where they could be here and do They could send two to three trainers to the state and do various locations, and I need a response to the e-mail I sent out last Wednesday from each county. On those dates so far, we went into February, March and April and then after April, as long as things are going good, we're going to do May, June and July.

JB Jon Bakkedahl 37:47

So Douglas County responded on our behalf with dates that reflected all three shifts within the region that we could cover all the departments twice on all three shifts and that was specifically for HAZMAT IQ when you sent out that initial notification.

KH Kelly Hutter 38:00

Yeah.

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 38:02

So that's what we've responded to, trying to get that training and we were asked to submit dates and then we got back the e-mail that told us when we were getting dates.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 38:05

Yeah.

CL **Carol Lynn** 38:09

Pass out.

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 38:13

So I'm a little confused in the process.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 38:14

Yeah.

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 38:16

And what exactly were being requested of and when and why and what not?

KH **Kelly Hutter** 38:17

Because we didn't get enough response to go to IFC and get a cost, we had to just set dates. And so, the company and the governor's office set those dates that were there and that's what they decided. And we're going forward with the set dates that were in the e-mail on Wednesday last week and if any

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 38:52

Align with the shift schedules to make sure we can get all of the shifts covered. That's why those dates were selected by us when we were asked to submit dates.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 39:02

This is Laurie again Please remember to state your name.

RB **Richard Brenner** 39:11

John, did you see what was mentioned? Lori was for you to state your name.

CL **Carol Lynn** 39:17

OK.

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 39:18

All of their questions regarding this particular item are from John Bakkedahl Carson City.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 39:19

And yeah, I can also send your information. I have your emails and I had sent them to the governor's office. That's working with the grant, and I will reiterate that for them so that they can try and see if they can get that company out here for those exact dates for you since you guys had turned in a bunch of dates and times, and I will reiterate that to them because you were one of the only ones that responded.

RB **Richard Brenner** 39:56

And John this.

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 39:56

John Bakkedahl for the record. Thank you. Appreciate that.

We just want to make sure that we don't just throw dates on the wall and then we don't send anybody there. So, we sat down in a group setting with the departments and made sure we met their intent.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 40:04

Yes. Mm-hmm.

JB **Jon Bakkedahl** 40:12

Would work for them and also does not interfere with the upcoming wildland fire training that they were doing. So, if we could get those dates with that explanation behind it, it would be extremely beneficial to the region.

RB **Richard Brenner** 40:27

And this is Richard for the record, John, I'll work with the governor's office to work make that happen. What's happened here is I couldn't make the last phone call last week and they the company wants to just put dates down and because they have to have their instructors have to have to know this information when they're going to do it. And if I was on the phone call, I would have spoken up and said that's not going to work, but they're trying to put a document together for IFC as quick as possible. I talked to Miss McKnight yesterday, and I'll be talking with her after this meeting and we'll make that happen because we just can't put, you know, just pick a Saturday and say this is what we're gonna do it. We have to coordinate with the LEPC'S and the different agencies in each LEPC to make sure the training meet their needs and dates and times.

JB **Jon Bakkedah** 41:20

So John Bakkendahl for the record. Thank you, Richard. Thank you, Kelly. We appreciate the support.

RB **Richard Brenner** 41:25

All righty.

CL **Carol Lynn** 41:26

Carol, this is Carol Lynn for the record, I have one final question, and I asked Kelly this the other day, but I no offense. Kelly, I just want to get it on the record. Is there a minimum attendance expected at these classes?

KH **Kelly Hutter** 41:45

They would actually like at least 15 to hold a class.

CL **Carol Lynn** 41:51

So there is a minimum that cause you told me the other day there wasn't.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 41:54

They were.

CL Carol Lynn 41:56

So I just wanna confirm.

KH Kelly Hutter 41:57

They would like 15, but they understand with volunteers how out here, how difficult that is so I told them if we combine a bunch of counties together, we could end up with 15. But if you did Elko by itself? You might, because of it being volunteers, you might get, you know, 5.

+17***95** 42:20

Please make sure I.

KH Kelly Hutter 42:20

So that's why we wanted to combine a lot of counties together to work together to cover as many people as we could, and they would.

CL Carol Lynn 42:28

Well, I understood. I understand that. I just wanted to. I just wanted to confirm, OK.

KH Kelly Hutter 42:34

Yeah, they would like 15.

RB Richard Brenner 42:39

This is one of the for the record. This is Richard and thank you for your question there on minimum attendance because this is one of the problems with this grant and.

CL Carol Lynn 42:39

Thank you.

RB Richard Brenner 42:50

In a prior life, when I was Hazmat coordinator with Clark County, I went out to Mineral County and we only had five people in the class and by the days end we were down to one person.

So I fully understand the issues with the frontier counties and, you know, getting people to attend and that's why this is a tough grant to work with, but they're just going to have to work with us on if they're going to let us use this money. They have to understand there's no way we can, you know, get a minimum of a certain number of people. It's the bigger city areas like Washoe, Reno, Sparks, Clark County, Henderson. That's an easy thing to do in coordination with Carson and those things, but you can't do that in the frontier county. So, I'll continue to work with the governor's office. You have my word, folks on the phone that this is Richard Brenner, and I'm going to work with Miss McKnight and Kelly, and we'll get this to where this will either work for us or it won't work for us. Because, I mean, if there's no.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 43:54

That's what I've put on. That's what I've put on.

The paperwork is five on a lot of the frontier counties I put 5 for attendance on those because that's what when I did my first estimates so.

RB **Richard Brenner** 44:12

Yeah. All right. Yeah. OK.


KH **Kelly Hutter** 44:12


They know that.


RB **Richard Brenner** 44:15


Well, they, they've got these different stipulations on this federal grant and that's why it was just a headache to do this initially years ago, and it hasn't gotten any better, but you know, we'll do our best to try to make this work, and Kelly will be reaching out, you know, by you can reach her by phone or you can reach her by e-mail. Then I'm gonna have her working more on phone calls to people so that we're gonna get this taken care of this week. I'll be helping her too, and we'll either get it to work, or it won't work one way or the other. So, and then we'll keep you informed on what's going to happen here. Does anybody have any questions or comments in reference to item number 10? OK. Let's move on to item number 11 public comment. Do I have any public comment?


 **+17*****95** 45:09
Hey, Richard.

 **Richard Brenner** 45:11
Yes, Dennis, go right ahead.

 **+17*****95** 45:15
Yes. Shameless commercial for a program that the Truckee Meadows Community College has in Washoe County. For those who are interested, we have a bachelor's program, which is a hybrid program in Emergency Management and so we have students from really all over the state. Who enroll in this program, and it is for any in state person in state tuition, which makes it more affordable than any of the online programs. The only real qualification coming into it is you have to have an associate's degree to enter it, and those people who don't have an associate's degree, if they have some college under their belt, the college will go through, look at their transcripts and see what it will take to move them on, but just wanted to share that we'll be at the NEPA conference, the Nevada Emergency Preparedness Association Conference in Las Vegas next weekend, so if anybody's down there wants to talk about it, or if you're interested, feel free to give me a call up at Truckee Meadows Community College.

 **Richard Brenner** 46:33
Thank you, Dennis. That's good information. Any other public comment?
OK. We'll move on to item number 12.
Item number 12 is adjournment. Do I hear a motion to adjourn?

 **+17*****87** 46:49
Eric Santos, I make a motion to adjourn this first quarterly meeting for 2026.

 **Richard Brenner** 46:55
Thank you, Eric. Do I hear a second?

 **+17*****95** 46:59
Dennis 2nd.

RB **Richard Brenner** 47:01

OK, got a second. All in favor? Please say aye. Aye. Aye, aye.

+17***95** 47:04

Aye.

RB **Richard Brenner** 47:08

Any, opposed? The motion carries unanimously.

Alrighty, sounds good folks. Have a good day and thank you for participating in our meeting.

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Thanks Richard.

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Thank you.

RB **Richard Brenner** 47:19

Bye.

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Thanks Kelly.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 47:20

Thank you.

MM **Mike Mallner** 47:21

Thanks a lot.

● **Kelly Hutter** stopped transcription