

**District 1 Local Emergency Planning Committee****West Florida Regional Planning Council**

Covering Bay, Escambia, Holmes, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton and Washington Counties

**Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)**

Staff hosted the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) quarterly meetings, held on July 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, in Pensacola. Discussion items included current Training Task Force projects, new HMEP guidelines, and HazMat Awareness Week 2012 topic: Mercury Awareness.

The LEPC held its quarterly meeting on July 20<sup>th</sup>, at the Bay County Public Safety Facility, located in Southport, FL. The Exercise Design Subcommittee also met on the 20<sup>th</sup>. The Planning and Education/Public Awareness subcommittees met via teleconference on July 14<sup>th</sup>. Discussion items included the initial planning for our next biennial exercise, HazMat Awareness Week 2012, and the LEPC emergency plan.

District 1 LEPC Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan 2010-2011 was reviewed for accuracy and technical revisions, with the completed plan transmitted to FDEM.

**HMEP Planning**

District 1's Planning Project this year is Shelter-in-Place, Education Enhancement. During this quarter, Staff coordinated the following Shelter-in-Place Train the trainer workshops:

August 2	Escambia County
August 8	Okaloosa County
August 8	Bay County

A total of 50 personnel attended the workshops. Staff is in the process of completing the yearly report for submittal to FDEM in September.

**HMEP Training**

The following training opportunities were offered in August:

- HazMat Technician Bimonthly Refresher –were offered in June and August for the Okaloosa County Special Operations Team.
- HazMat IQ – August 31

Upcoming training opportunities include:

Advanced CAMEO	September 13-15
ICS 300	October 4-6
Incident Response to Terrorism Bombings	October 25
Prevention and Response to Suicide Bombings Incidents	October 25
Advanced Radiological Response	December 6-8

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## **LEPC District 2**

### **Apalachee Regional Planning Council**

Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Liberty, Leon, and Wakulla Counties

The District 2 Local Emergency Planning Committee held its quarterly meeting on July 13<sup>th</sup> at the Tallahassee Fire Department Training Facility. The following is a summary of recent LEPC staff activities over the last quarter:

### **Hazardous Materials Training**

Staff sponsored the following training courses since the last HazMatters publication:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Hours</b>
7/20/11- 7/22/11	Introduction to CAMEO (Louisiana State University, Academy of Counter-Terrorist Education)	TFD Training Facility	24

The 24-hr Introduction to CAMEO course was a very successful training event attended by 29 local first responders and emergency management staff. The Tallahassee Fire Department's HazMat team found the training very valuable and subsequently requested the 24-hr Advanced CAMEO course that is also offered by the Louisiana State University, Academy of Counter-Terrorist Education. The course will most likely be held during the first quarter of 2012.

Staff has been working with the Tallahassee Fire Department and Emergency Responders Educators and Consultants (EREC, Inc.) to sponsor a 3-day series of 4-hr Clandestine Drug Lab Awareness Training courses. The six courses (2 per day) are scheduled for September 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Tallahassee Fire Department Training Facility. This training will be the final HMEP-funded courses for FY 2010-11. Staff continued to coordinate efforts to bring in a series of Chemical Suicide Awareness courses. However, this training will most likely be held during FY 2011-12. All training courses are posted on the Apalachee Regional Planning Council's website: [www.thearpc.com](http://www.thearpc.com).

### **LEPC Plan Update**

Staff has completed work on the annual update to the District 2 LEPC Hazardous Materials Emergency Plan. The update to plan was completed and submitted to FDEM staff prior to the June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline.

### **HMEP Planning Project**

Staff continued work on the District II LEPC's planning project, Facility Hazards Analysis Summary. Staff continued the process of entering the Hazards Analysis data into the proposed summary table format for all nine counties within the District 2 LEPC. Staff has been successfully using Florida HMIS and CAMEO to update the tables with the most recent facility information. The completed Facility Hazards Analysis Summaries will be placed in legal, tabbed binders for each Dispatch Supervisor in the District. The project will be completed prior to the September 30, 2011 deadline.

### **Next LEPC meeting**

The next meeting of the District 2 LEPC will be held on Wednesday, October 19, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at the Tallahassee Fire Department Training Facility. As always, anyone interested in attending the LEPC meeting is welcome.

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### **LEPC District 3**

#### **North Central Florida Regional Planning Council**

Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee, Taylor, and Union Counties

The North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee (District 3 LEPC) last met on 11 August 2011 at the Florida Gas Transmission compressor station located near Trenton, in Gilchrist County. The group discussed the update of the LEPC Plan, the draft Memorandum of Understanding regarding electronic Tier 2 access, and how to best provide information to responders on chemicals used and transported in a county.

A presentation was given by Florida Gas Transmission on the expansion of its natural gas pipeline through District 3 and other parts of Florida. The presentation explained hazards and safety associated with the up to 36 inch diameter and 1,333 psi pipeline. One key safety topic is that valves on high pressure pipelines should only be closed by the operator, or additional damage could occur.

The update of the 2011 LEPC Emergency Response Plan was discussed. The group discussed that the main improvement was updating the Communications Chapter. Updates included identifying interoperable communications tools and systems that are available for mutual aid use in Florida.

The LEPC reviewed the proposed Memorandum of Understanding regarding the SERC providing electronic Tier 2 access to fire departments and LEPCs, while allowing facilities to report to only one location. It was reported that a new planning project proposed by LEPC 3 to hold workshops on this topic was rejected because it was not related closely enough to transportation. The LEPC reviewed the ongoing Tier 2 quality control planning project being funded by HMEP, which is being checked for data reporting errors.

The LEPC scheduled a new class which was identified as a need during a training and exercise planning session conducted earlier in the year. The class is entitled, "Using Electronic Data for Identifying and Responding to Chemicals Transported in Your County." This half day class teaches responders how to look up chemicals present in and being transported through a specific county. Data sources include Tier 2 inventories in E-Plan and hazards analysis data in CAMEO.

The U.S. Department of Transportation has recently updated its website reporting hazardous materials transportation incidents. The LEPC discussed the observation that most hazmat transportation incidents reported with injuries occur while the chemical being transported is offloaded at a fixed facility. The website (<http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/library/data-stats/incidents>) allows for searching of reported incidents by location and chemical name.

The North Central Florida Regional Hazardous Materials Response Team held a meeting at the same location, following the LEPC meeting and lunch. Items discussed included a hazmat team deployment plan, technician level training and expansion of the team to include Lafayette County.

Staff activities include providing administrative support to the LEPC, scheduling and teaching hazmat classes, and using CAMEO to update hazards analyses for seven counties. Staff continues to provide administrative support for the North Central Florida Regional Hazardous Materials Response Team. Staff assisted with three interoperable communications classes held in

Gainesville, as well as the Interoperability Workshop Summit conducted in Saint Petersburg. Staff compiled the After Action Report on the RDSTF Region 3 Interoperable Communications exercise held at Camp Blanding. Staff also organized a statewide Department of Health Strike Team table top exercise facilitated by staff from seven additional regional planning councils.

The next LEPC meeting is tentatively scheduled for 17 November 2011, in Gainesville. The meeting is scheduled to start at 10:00 am and be held at SiVance LLC, a section 302 site chemical manufacturer.

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#### **LEPC District 4**

#### **Northeast Florida Regional Council**

Baker, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam and St. Johns Counties

#### **August 2011**

The previous District IV Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting was held on August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at the Northeast Florida Regional Council offices located at 6850 Belfort Oaks Place, Jacksonville, Florida 32216.

#### **HMEP**

#### **Conducted Training**

**Rail Safety for Emergency Responders**, Baker, Duval, Nassau, and Putnam Counties – **July 11-15**: Tarah Harkins with Operation Lifesaver instructed seven workshops in four different counties for this course that reviewed safety measures emergency responders should know concerning rail operations. Perhaps the most beneficial aspect taught was how to read a rail manifest for cargo loads and determine the presence and quantity of hazardous materials on the train. Sixty six (66) participants attended this course around the district.

**Advanced Radiological Response**, First Coast Technical College in St. Augustine – **August 23-25**: Training was conducted for a series of 8-hour Advanced Radiological Response Training Course for about forty (40) emergency responders from our area. Participants were given a refresher on basic terminology and calculating units of radiation, along with training on survey instruments and devices used to detect radioactive materials. In addition, the students participated in several hands-on proficiency stations and a simulated drill designed to teach tactics and strategies for locating radiation source materials in an outdoor, urban environment. The course was taught by Mr. Hector Taberes and Mr. David Pieski from the Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Radiation Control.



**Students at the Advanced Radiological Response Course**

**Offensive LP/NG Leak Control**, First Coast Technical College in St. Augustine – **September 14-16**: This training involved covering the key characteristics of LPG and NG as well as their

containers, the concepts of hazard/risk assessment necessary to achieve a safe and effective response, various types of equipment. Students were given an opportunity to develop proficiency with the tools in a controlled setting using simulated and live product evolutions during which all the aspects of assessment, scene-control, protection and leak control measures were used, including flaring and auto-refrigeration of LPG containers. The course was taught by Response Technologies and trained sixty (60) HazMat Technicians.

### **Upcoming Training**

The District Training Committee will meet in September to discuss the training goals and priorities for Northeast Florida's HazMat Response community for the upcoming year. This Training and Exercise Planning Workshop will be used to formulate the District's long-range plans for required, necessary, and wanted training for the next three years, as well as to review the previous year's training, and to discuss the exercise requirements that must be fulfilled by the LEPC. The training items discussed are for planning purposes only and are not designed to be set in stone.



### **Planning**

**Option 2 : Quality Control of Submitted Tier III Information** - With the advent of the electronic submission, like E-Plan and FL HMIS, it is important to ensure that correct information is being transferred amongst these databases. Staff will begin the Quality Control review with each county's Section 302 facilities to ensure that those facilities that contain the worst of the worst are correct. Staff will then move to the 311/312 sites. All facilities with 4 or more errors will be contacted to inform them of the status their Tier II Chemical Inventory. All facilities will then be invited for a series of How-To-Comply Workshops.

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### **LEPC District 5**

#### **Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council**

Citrus, Hernando, Levy, Marion and Sumter Counties

During the quarter, staff from the Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council (WRPC) attended meetings in Pensacola on July 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 2011. The regular quarterly LEPC Training Committee meeting was held prior to the LEPC meeting on July 20<sup>th</sup>. The training committee continued to accept new training needs and requests for this upcoming funding cycle.

In this quarter, staff of the LEPC finalized work on the hazardous material Commodity Flow Study for the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness grant planning project. The study used the following roads. State Roads 40, 44 and 50 as the East-West corridors and Interstate 75, US 301 and US 19 as the North-South corridors. Staff has completed the observations for the study and has finished the study document. The approved work product was presented to the LEPC and will be used to help direct future training, planning and exercise needs.

Training this quarter consisted of an Oil Spill Booming course in Cedar key on June 25<sup>th</sup> in follow up to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. The district also held two 16 hour Air Monitoring courses held from July 27<sup>th</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup>

The LEPC has also begun work on 2011-2012, LEPC biennial exercise. It has been determined the exercise will be held in conjunction with Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD), Citrus County Emergency Management, Levy County Emergency Management and numerous other community participants. Partially in response to the new Hazardous Materials Commodity Flow Study, the focus for this year's exercise will be the Inglis Spillway, Lake Rousseau in the corner of Citrus, levy and Marion counties and US 19 highway. Funding for this exercise will be shared among the SWFWMD and the LEPC and HEMP contracts. Further details will emerge as the exercise is developed.

Questions regarding the above may be directed to Michael Arnold at (352) 732-1315, extension 228 or via email at [MArnold@wrpc.cc](mailto:MArnold@wrpc.cc).

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### **LEPC District 6**

#### **East Central Florida Regional Planning Council**

Brevard, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Volusia Counties

The District VI Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting was held July 22, 2011 at the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council. The Training sub-committee met immediately before the LEPC meeting.

#### **HMEP Training**

Recent trainings have included:

HazMat IQ: August 1 and 2, 2011

HAZWOPER 40-Hour: August 8-12, 2011

Local upcoming training opportunities include:

HAZWOPER 8-hour refresher – October 3, 2011

Other trainings under consideration for District VI include:

Radiation Training

Hospital Training

Decontamination Training (using tents)

Rail Training

#### **HMEP Planning**

The LEPC is in the data collection process for a Commodity Flow Study for road transport in the Orlando Metro area. Staff has already completed 8 vehicular examinations at select high-volume intersections and rest areas; there are 3-4 more field observations planned.

#### **General Activities**

Staff attended a Coast Guard Geographic Response Plan Workshop on July 20, 2011 in Brevard County.

Staff assisted the CDC with a Community Reception Center Drill on July 12<sup>th</sup> in Orlando, Florida. There were over 250 individuals from around the state involved.

## **Next Meeting**

The next District VI LEPC meeting will be held October 21, 2011 in Altamonte Springs

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## **LEPC District 7**

### **Central Florida Regional Planning Council**

Desoto, Hardee, Highlands, Okeechobee, and Polk Counties

## **JUNE**

Mr. Carter completed the inspections for DeSoto and Hardee Counties under the Small Quantity Generators of Hazardous Waste program. A total of 80 inspections were conducted during this month. These actions complete the inspections required for fiscal year 2011.

On June 3<sup>rd</sup> Okeechobee County held the formal opening ceremony for their new Emergency Operations Center, Public Safety Office and 911 Dispatch Center. The Emergency Operation Center was dedicated in memory of Mr. Gene O'Neal who passed away recently. Mr. O'Neal served as the Director of Emergency Management for a number of years and was a true mentor and coach for many in the field.

On June 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> CFRPC & LEPC District 7 and the City of Lakeland sponsored the HAZMAT IQ training to support all the first responders in the Polk County area. Over 80 first responders were able to attend this training.

On June 23<sup>rd</sup> Mr. Carter chaired an Initial Planning Conference for the exercises he is conducting in support of DEM Region 6. As a result of this meeting it has now been determined that there will be a total of 15 exercises including Table Top, Functional Drills and Full Scale Exercises. The basic scenario that will be used across the board is that of a response/recovery from a tornado strike and the activation/evaluation of various Emergency Operations Centers.

## **JULY**

On July 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> our Chairman, Mr. Gary Weiss, attended the quarterly Training Task Force, LEPC Chairman & Staff and SERC meetings in Pensacola. Attending with Mr. Weiss was our Training Committee Chairman, Mr. Domenic LetoBarone. Mr. Carter was unable to attend.

Throughout the month of July the focus was on the design and development of our HMEP Planning exercise that will be held in August. The focus of this exercise is to exercise our ability to support an area after a tornado strike, specifically how do we address the compromise of the transportation network, respond to hazardous materials spills and the possible isolation of a hospital due to road closures.

Mr. Carter continues to work on the design and development of the exercises to support DEM Region 6.

## **AUGUST**

The main focus for the month of August was the execution of the HMEP Planning Exercise on August 17<sup>th</sup>.

This exercise was conducted in the Polk County Emergency Operations Center with over 40 players in attendance.

The exercise went very well with many lessons learned. The biggest advance came in the opportunity for the County Health Department and the 5 hospitals within the county to exercise their newly signed mutual aid agreement. Our scenario was written in such a manner that Heart of Florida Hospital, in Haines City, was isolated due to two major accidents that closed US Highway 27. The hospital suffered damage to a degree that they were unable to receive patients from the accidents caused by the tornado strikes. This exercise was rated extremely valuable by the health care community.

On August 9<sup>th</sup> the LEPC District 7 held its' quarterly meeting in Okeechobee. We had over 25 attendees for this meeting. One of our main topics of discussion was related to identifying our priorities for training events for next fiscal year.

Preparation for the support of the Region 6 exercises continues.

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**LEPC District 8**  
**Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council**  
Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, and Pinellas Counties

District 8 was involved in a number of HMEP and LEPC co-sponsored activities during the quarter. Staff attended the Quarterly SERC meetings held in Pensacola at Pensacola City Hall on July 7-8, 2011 and conducted the District 8 LEPC meeting on August 31, 2011. Staff additionally attended the FDEM Region 4 quarterly meeting held at the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council on August 26, 2011 under the leadership of Mr. Paul Siddall. District 8's next LEPC meeting is scheduled for November 30, 2011.

The LEPC's Facility Disaster Planning Subcommittee (FDPS) met on August 18, 2011. Invigorated with renewed interest and additional members, Subcommittee members briefly highlighted some of the past FDPS accomplishments for the benefit of new members, including a presentation of the recently-completed Tier II quality control assessment/initiative, solicited ideas about a possible refinement of Subcommittee purpose, and strategized about future potential training sessions. Training venues included the conduct of a Facility Disaster Preparedness Forum on July 14<sup>th</sup> with a second, identically-themed, Forum scheduled for September 7<sup>th</sup>. The Forum would be best characterized as a facilitated interaction between hazardous material facility representatives as well as members of the First Responder community (and others) regarding pre- and post-disaster planning initiatives and objectives.

LEPC staff and/or member(s) participated in a series of teleconferences administered by the Florida Division of Emergency Management regarding Training Task Force initiatives (June 15 & August 31, 2011) as well as a HMEP Financial Webinar (June 16<sup>th</sup>).

Several Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning (HMEP) program courses have been scheduled and have been or will be conducted prior to the end of the Quarter. Those courses consist of: 8 Hr. Hazardous Materials Containers 101 (Pinellas County); a 40 Hr. Hazmat Technicians/IC (Manatee County); 8 Hr. OSHA Hazwoper Refresher (Hillsborough County); and 24 Hr. Life Safety & Command (Manatee County).

Staff represented the Tampa Bay LEPC at the July 12, 2011 meeting of the Tampa Bay Spill Committee and the U.S. Coast Guard Area Committee which immediately followed.

The Pinellas Police Standards Council (PPSC) continues to meet at the TBRPC under LEPC sponsorship. Staff assisted with the June 8, July 13 & August 10, 2011 PPSC meetings.

The Preventative Radiological Nuclear Detection Committee also met on August 3, 2011 at the TBRPC offices under LEPC sponsorship.

Staff and/or various LEPC members attended the Ammonia Handlers/Operators meetings held on June 28 at Kinder Morgan, July 26 at CF Industries and August 23, 2011 at CF Industries. The meetings are essentially rotationally located and are focused on discussing initiatives and activities of the ammonia operations facilities located within or adjacent to the Port of Tampa.

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### **LEPC District 9**

#### **Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council**

Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee, and Sarasota Counties

The Southwest Florida (District IX) Local Emergency Planning Committee met August 25, 2011, at the offices of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council. Special guest during the proceedings was Mr. John Long of Florida Gas Transmission. Mr. Long provided a synopsis of training programs and assistance Florida Gas Transmission could offer emergency responders and local governments of the region. Florida Gas Transmission operates an underground natural gas pipeline, compressor stations and other facilities in Lee and Charlotte Counties.



Important issues that came before the Committee included the Southwest Florida LEPC Draft “No-Show” Training Policy; Establishment of a Regional LEPC Continuing Education Program initiative; and the Tom Yatabe Awards Program. Changes were made to the proposed “No-Show” Policy and it was approved by the Committee. The policy was created and endorsed to ensure that individuals registering for courses are in attendance during the events. Individuals failing to follow proper cancellation will be billed \$35.00. Finalization of the Southwest Florida Continuing Education Program was postponed until December 2, 2011 as Dr. Chris Gallagher of Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) had to attend an emergency meeting at the university. Dr. Gallagher is



the coordinator of FGCU's Continuing Education Program and was slated to address concerns and answer questions about the continuing education program at FGCU. The continuing education program is being considered to provide educational credits for courses offered by the LEPC. The recipients of the Thomas Yatabe Awards Program was selected and approved by the Committee. Ms. Laura Comer of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Southwest Florida Office) was recommended as the outstanding recipient for the Thomas Yatabe Awards for the work she has done over the years with the LEPC. Specifically, Ms. Comer has partnered and collaborated with the LEPC over the years regarding facilities complying with EPCRA seeking clean marina status. Mr. Charles Emery of the Florida Department of Environmental protection was selected to receive a certificate of appreciation for his involvement and assistance in getting the word out to state employees regarding safety and chemical training the Southwest Florida LEPC sponsored over the years. Mr. Emery is currently enrolled in the State's Drop Program and recognition was recommended to express gratitude for the support he has provided to the Committee over the years.

The following training is slated to be conducted by the Southwest Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee and the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council:

- Hazmat Chemistry IQ Course, September 27, 2011 (Cape Coral)
- Hazmat Chemistry IQ Course, September 28, 2011 (Bonita Springs)
- Hazwoper 8-hour Refresher Course, September 29, 2011 (Sarasota)

Other guests included Mr. Tyrone Davis and Mr. Rob Wilson of MED SAFE. Mr. Davis provided a brief presentation touting that MED SAFE could eliminate up to 100% of hazardous waste hauling costs. He further noted that their advanced and cost efficient thermal treatment technology could destroy up to 99.9999 percent of all hazardous waste. MED SAFE disposes of pharmaceutical and other waste products through onsite incineration where the chemicals are located. MED SAFE was invited to discuss its capabilities as an alternative to services previously provided by the Federal DEA involving Clandestine Drug Labs across America.

The next quarterly meeting of the Southwest Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee is scheduled December 2, 2011. Additional information regarding the programs and activities of the Committee can be obtained by viewing [www.swfrpc.org](http://www.swfrpc.org).

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**District 10 Local Emergency Planning Committee**  
**Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council**  
Indian River, Martin, Palm Beach, and St. Lucie Counties

The last District 10 Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting was held August 4, 2011 at the Martin County Fire Rescue Training Room in Stuart, Florida. The next meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2011. The location will be posted in the upcoming meeting's preliminary agenda.

**District 10 Local Emergency Planning Committee Activities**

The 2011 LEPC Biennial exercise was conducted on June 23, 2011. The exercise priorities are to test functions within the Hazardous Materials Regional Response Plan, and included communications, notification and chemical identification in response to a chemical release

breaching multiple county boundaries. Elements of the exercise will included a chemical hostage incident at a Florida Turnpike Plaza, a chemical attack on an elementary school and a methamphetamine lab explosion in a residential neighborhood. These incidents included sites in Indian River and St. Lucie Counties and engaged agencies in shelter-in-place procedures, public information strategies, evidence preservation and hazardous materials identification and response operations. The After-action Report is drafted and awaiting final edits and will be available upon request.

## **Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness**

### Training

During the fourth quarter, District 10 LEPC did not conduct training however coordinated with instructors to schedule Tox-Medic, Hazwopper and Hazardous Materials Awareness Level classes.

### Planning

The 2010/2011 Planning Project Option 3, Local Emergency Planning Committee Plan Exercise was selected for this cycle. The exercise was conducted on June 23, 2011. The LEPC Planning Subcommittee is currently working to fine tune the details of the After-action Report for the exercise.

### Hazards Analysis

District 10 LEPC staff completed Section 302 facility site visits in fulfillment of the Hazards Analysis contract agreement with St. Lucie County and the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) for the 2010/2011. Staff has received the 2011/2012 contract agreement from FDEM for the St. Lucie County Hazards Analysis and will begin conducting site visits.

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## **District 11**

### **South Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee (District 11)**

Miami-Dade, Broward and Monroe Counties

The South Florida LEPC is nearly two-thirds through a very ambitious training program for its District. During this reporting period, **HazMatIQ** classes were offered May 31 in Miami and June 1 in Hollywood in addition to three more **HAZWOPER** Refresher courses July 6, 7 and 8 in Downtown Miami. Negotiations are nearly complete for four sessions of the **Chemical Suicide for Responders** class on September 20 and 21 and another **HAZWOPER** class at Florida International University on September 23. To serve our constituents in Monroe County, a second **HazMat Awareness** class will be offered September 27 in Key West.

District 11 staff attended the July 7 SERC Training Task Force and LEPC Staffs meetings in Pensacola as well as the SERC meeting the following day at the same location.

The South Florida LEPC held a regularly scheduled meeting on August 24, 2011 in Hollywood. There were no membership changes at this meeting but the Committee began discussions on the FY1112 biennial exercise and training courses. The Training Subcommittee will meet over the next several weeks to discuss and select which classes to offer in the coming year. The Exercise

Subcommittee will reconvene as well and begin planning for an exercise likely to take place late winter/early spring 2012. TTF member George Colson briefed the members on the recent activities of that SERC group. The next meeting of the South Florida LEPC will take place November 30 in Hollywood.

For additional information, please visit our website at <http://www.sfrpc.com/lepc.htm> or contact the **SoFlaLEPC Coordinator Manny Cela** ([celam@sfrpc.com](mailto:celam@sfrpc.com)).