

# **Des Moines County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)**

Minutes of May 15, 2025 Meeting

Des Moines County Emergency Management

13700 Washington Rd, West Burlington, IA 52655

## **I. Opening Protocol**

A. Meeting called to order at 1202 by Prado

### **B. *Introduction***

1) New members Robb Tapp and Justin Prier completed the “Nomination” form.

C. Motion for approval of the agenda was made by Toops and seconded by Logan. Motion passed unanimously.

II. Motion of approval of previous meeting minutes of November 18, 2024 was made by Howard and seconded by Logan. Motion passed unanimously.

## **III. Old Business**

### **A. *Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grants***

#### **a. 2024 HMEP Grant – Prado**

i. Comments made by Prado there is funding to send four hazmat technicians to the International Hazardous Materials Symposium in Baltimore, MD to attend sessions related to hazmat transportation. (June 2025). Burling Fire Department only has three attending. Comments made by Morris that he may be able to attend.

#### **b. 2025 HMEP Grant – Prado/Howard**

i. Comments made by Howard that he requested Professional Rescue Innovations to DMC to train 40 professionals to become aware of, learn how to respond to and use the newest and most innovative techniques available when responding to the hazardous EV battery materials. This course will offer classroom facilities as well as a hands-on assessment. Comments made by Prado that we are waiting for funding approval.

### **B. *Des Moines County Spill Response Ordinance Report* – Howard/Wilson**

Comments made by Howard go with Wilson’s research. Comments made by Wilson were that he will review the research again. Comments made by Wilson regarding the new State CBRNE Response Protocol are available for emergency responders but should not be shared with the general public.

## **IV. New Business**

### **A. *Reports Submitted***

#### **1) 2024 Tier II Reports**

##### **i. 2023- 44 reports**

1. Comments made by Prado regarding the 2024- 51 reports

Added: Target- West Burlington, Ideal Ready Mix-Mediapolis, Burlington and South Burlington, Diamond Vogel, Inc. Burlington. Comments made by Prado regarding fixed facilities have large quantities of hazardous materials. Comments made by Morris regarding the large quantities of hazardous materials stored at the Alliant Generating Plant. There was discussion about the storage and reporting requirements of Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center West Burlington Campus.

B. *Incidents Reported* <https://programs.iowadnr.gov/hazardousspills/Introductory.aspx>

- 1) 12/18/24- Case New Holland (CNH)- 45 Gal. Mixed engine and hydraulic oil spilled on concrete and into soil/gravel. The issue with this one was the proximity to the levee.
- 2) 12/18/24- Circle K- 10 Gal Gasoline non-ethanol
- 3) 4/09/25- Borghi- Caustic Soda- approx. 4200 gals- BFD responded for air testing and it was contained by their containment system. Comments made by Howard and Logan that Borghi's response worked well.
- 4) Comments made by West Burling personnel that the responded to a diesel fuel spill of approximately 75 gallons on 2/20/2025 as a result of an automobile accident.

D. *Emergency Support Function 10 (ESF-10) – Annual Review/Comments*

Comments made by Prado that she updated the maps. Comments made by Tapp of the needed name change of Mediapolis Fire Department to Norther Des Moines County Fire Protection District. Comments made by Morris that Shelter-in-Place information should be added to the document.

E. *Exercise/Training Opportunities:*

- a. Rail Car Incident Response for Crude, Ethanol & Other Flammable Liquids-

**When: July 30, 2025, Where: Burlington Fire Department**

Comments made by Prado and Howard regarding needing confirmation of 30-40 personnel attending the course to meet the requirements of holding the course. This course will have classroom and hands on tank car training. Only BNSF will be conducting the training. Amtrak will not be participating.

- b. Security and Emergency Response Training Center- Pueblo, CO

<https://sertc.org/courses/>- Fully Funded. Comments made by Prado, that she will be attending one of the courses.

F. *New ERGs and guidance are available*

Comments made by Prado that she has extra copies of the guidebooks available.

G. *Other*

Comments made by Howard that the State will be holding a Hazardous Materials Technician course at the training center Camp Dodge in Johnson during October 6th through October 10th.

Comments and questions made by Mahaffy and Morris on are if required training is being presented.

Comments and questions made by Morris on the Des Moines County Ordinance #33 filed on 11/24/1997.

V. Adjournment Protocol

A. *Future Meetings* (minimum requirement of two meetings per federal fiscal year)

- 1) November 2025

- i. Officer Elections

Comments made by Prado that the next meeting will be held in November during the day and will include the election of officers.

- 2) May 2026

Comments made by Prado that a meeting will be held in May during the day.

Meeting was adjourned at 1237.