



REM Meeting

August 7, 2026

Start Time:

9:00AM-9:30AM: In Person Networking

9:30AM-11:30AM: Meeting

**McKinney Emergency Operations Center
2100 Taylor Burk Drive, McKinney, TX 75071**

OR

Microsoft Teams Meeting

- **Welcome and Introductions**

- Michael "Mikey" Hernandez, NCTCOG
- Karen Adkins, Emergency Management Administrator, McKinney, TX

- **Presentations**

- **Oncor Electric - Role in Electric Market & Public Safety/Risk Mitigation**
Scott Baumbach, Area Manager, Oncor. Holly Raeder, Director - Fort Worth Region
 - Provide a comprehensive, year-round Wildfire Mitigation Program
 - Systems in place to de-energize power lines during extreme, critical fire weather
- **Volunteer Reception Center - Presentation for Emergency Managers**
John McGinnis, Lions Club, Lions Roy Chirayil, Lions Club, Ron Harrison, Lions Club
 - Set up a Volunteer Reception Center (VRC) whenever you need to track who / when is entering and exiting a work site
 - A VRC will likely be needed for handing spontaneous volunteers after a disaster (Tornado, flood, fire, etc.) but also for other occasions (Family Assistance Center, large shelter, general cleanup, etc.)
 - If you do not have one, start NOW to create a VRC plan and do tabletop or hands on exercises to "hone" your plan
 - If nothing else, have at least 3 locations in advance where a VRC could be setup in your jurisdiction
 - Contact Lions when you need a VRC (call and text), leave call back number and address where to meet, if known:
 - Roy Chirayil – (817) 584-0843
 - Ron Harrison – (214) 724-8506
 - John McGinnis – (214) 908-5939

- **Member Comments or Updates**

- NCTCOG Updates (**SEE ATTACHED**)
- NWS Updates
 - Temperatures will remain hot over the next few weeks



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- Very proud of team and their involvement with FIFA World Cup
- Hired 3 meteorologists and getting them up to speed
- Expecting an active winter weather season
- TDEM Updates
 - ISTF and other state resources deployed to support Texas flooding
 - The wildfire threat is at Level III. Recommend sending out messaging to public
- TEEM Updates
 - New leadership has been added, and future events will be shared soon
- **Discussion**
 - McKinney EOC Tour, Karen Adkins
 - Nominations for REM Secretary are now open. Election will be held during November 6 meeting
- **Next Meeting:**
 - Friday, November 6, 2026 - Dallas County EOC