

North Central Texas Council of Governments

Emergency Preparedness Department

Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee (REPAC) Meeting Notes NCTCOG - Pitstick Conference Room March 22, 2022 / 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Opening Remarks - David McCurdy and Irish Hancock welcoming remarks

Roll Call - Vanessa took roll

Approval of Notes from Last Meeting - 1:55 PM Cody motion to approve and Randall seconded.

Discussion Items

- FY22 Project Funding & Priority Update FY 2022 project results will be sent out by email
- FY22 SHSP Grant Application AAR Meeting Irish talked about how projects have been cut in projects.
 Members/Alternates encouraged attendance for AAR. Irish will assume chair role in August. Requested
 the meeting to be in person. David said it is important to come with new ideas after the handbook. We
 make the process better each time with input.
- Irish AAR is led by vice chair. Virtual is taking over how we do meetings and what counts as attendance for meeting. Representative to be present in REPAC scoring meeting if chairs are unable to attend.
- Maribel would like to welcome all suggestions going forward for AAR.
- Eric suggests attendance should be counted if attended virtual, however in person is required to vote.
- SERI Update Grant that was only open to COG and state agencies to apply for. Candice worked with Waxahachie, Ennis, Midlothian/Ellis County, Parker County/Weatherford/Fort Worth, Erath County, Denton County/Frisco, Decatur, Grand Prairie/Irving.
- Total of all applications: \$15,383,662.14
- July timeframe to see funding approvals
- Training Update Donna ICS 300/400 in March, Mistie Gardner will instruct EOC Interface course,
 HSEEP May 17-18 at NCTCOG. Currently working with Texas Forest Service to get the courses from the
 survey starting in June. Candice reminded people who sign up, please let us know if you need to drop a
 course to give others an opportunity to attend class. David said there was a request to provide ICS
 classes virtually, however COVID has lightened up and training are resuming.
- Tonya suggested to Todd and cyber IT can host 300/400 to integrate with organization.
- Todd wants to bridge the gap for EM and Cyber; how to get IT involved without taking all ICS courses.
- Chase asked the order of the classes; we have to spend the funding by December 2022.
- Mitigation Update Alayna COG working on Ellis, Navarro, Johnson, Somervell and Wise Counties
 updating their mitigation action plans.
- Two open mitigation grants: DR-4485 Covid Mitigation open until April 29th, projects do not have to be related to COVID, it can include property elevation, generators, safe rooms.
- FMAG 5420 Wild fire mitigation TDEM Reps are Kevin Enoch and Andrea Sanders project questions
- NCTTRAC Update Maurice response manager, EHS Senate bill 8 DSHS assist EMS bus and trucks, EMS County assistance, June 15, 2022 documentation to NCTTRAC, MCI Joint taskforce for triage methods and tags, wristbands, patient tracking. MCI work group started in Midlothian with Kevin and Tonya. Second meeting will be set.
- HPP regional emergency preparedness committee meeting April 5th, Covid active for 700 plus days extended to April 30. Demob all staffing for Omicron surge April 1
- Emergency Medical Task Force is activated for the wildland fires; activated severe weather from last night. Will be presenting at Mass Casualty workshop in Grand Prairie
- Chase there is a lot going on need to stay engaged.
- TDEM Update Sarah Kevin Enoch promoted to unit chief in recovery; Cory DRTF position, Taylor regional I planner position TDEM Conference May 31 June 4
- Submit 147s reminder

- Chief Starbuck extended the 100% Covid funding through July 1, response operations
- Regional and infusion Centers will be closed down, transition to local healthcare. McKinney, DSHS Fort Worth, Rockwall will be closed. Demand is a handful a day.
- FEMA funding available for mitigation grant applications

Upcoming Events

Joint CERT / MRC Exercise March 26, 2022 Mass Casualty Attack Response Workshop March 30, 2022 Training & Exercise Working Group meeting April 6, 2022 **PWERT Meeting** April 7, 2022 FY22 SHSP Grant Application AAR April 20, 2022 **HSEEP Class, NCTCOG** May 17-18, 2022 May 31 – June 4, 2022 Texas Emergency Management Conference, San Antonio National Homeland Security Conference, Cleveland, Ohio July 7 – 14, 2022

• Some funding is still available to attend the conferences.

NCTCOG Updates – Stephanie is no longer with us; rework the working groups, one position is currently posted. THIRA how it ties in with grant allocation -will send the slide deck from FEMA on scoring process and changed formula to include more special events. UASI – economic impacts for all the special event we went from a ranking of 8 to a 7. Utilize the Cyber templates.

Committee/Public Comment Irish 108 people attending this meeting, we need to look at moving forward to be virtual/in person.

Adjournment - 2:30 PM Meeting adjourned

Resources

November Meeting Notes

Next Meeting:

May 10, 2022 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM TBD