LEPC Meeting

Aleutian & Pribolof Islands Chapter

Friday, July 28, 2023 -- 1 PM to 2PM

Library Conference Room

Agenda

* LEPC Introduction
  + Areas that we cover/represent – Unalaska, Adak, Kiska, Attu, Saint Paul, Saint George
  + Purpose of LEPC
* Meet and Greet:
  + Go around room and give everyone a chance to introduce themselves. Introduction should consist of name, where you work/what organization you’re involved with, your reason for joining LEPC.
* Positions within LEPC
  + LEPC Chair/Coordinator
  + LEPC Project Manager/Information Coordinator
    - EPCRA (Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act) requires LEPC to appoint an Information Coordinator/Project Manager
      * PM/IC job is to process request from public for information / assist committee members.
    - Who is interested in this position?
  + LEPC Secretary
  + May also have a Vice-Chairperson, and assign chairpersons of sub-committees
* Responsibilities of local industry
  + Identifying a facility emergency coordinator
  + Reporting HAZMAT inventories annually to the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), LEPC, and local Fire Department
  + Providing Safety Data Sheets (SDS) or a list of hazardous chemicals
  + Allowing local fire departments to conduct on-site inspection of HAZMAT facilities; and
  + Providing annual report of toxic chemicals released to the EPA and the State
  + <https://tier2.erplan.net/onlinefiling/filingLogin.htm>
* Community Outreach / LEPC initiatives
  + All hazards approach to Emergency Planning
    - What are the biggest hazards that we face?
  + Brainstorm ideas
    - Kenai Peninsula Borough has a pretty amazing Ready, Set, Go! Program that could be worth trying to mirror. See link to website. <https://info.kpb.us/> I spoke with KPB’s Emergency Manager and she is open to sharing as much information as possible and allowing us to essentially copy what they’ve done.
    - LEPC education program at school
    - Evacuation supplies / kits that would be good for families to have
    - House numbers—many houses on the island are not numbered, could look at using funds to help with house numbering.
    - Tsunami Ready program; our islands Tsunami Ready status has expired. Need to work on re-certifying
* Questions:
  + What are the goals of the LEPC this year?
  + Do certain topics require significant discussion/research?
  + Is it necessary to establish subcommittees, and if so, are there enough people, expertise, and leadership among LEPC members to maintain subcommittees?
* Subcommittees may include the following
  + Planning subcommittee
  + Public information/outreach subcommittee
  + Training and exercise subcommittee
  + Resource Development subcommittee
  + Finance subcommittee