

KERN COUNTY OPERATIONAL AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

MAY 9, 2018, 10:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

Kern Emergency Operations Center

2601 Panorama Dr., Bldg. B, Bakersfield CA 93306

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

INTERIM FACILITATOR – GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG

Called meeting to Order at 10:10 am

SELF-INTRODUCTIONS:

- Georgianna Armstrong, Emergency Services Manager, Kern County OES
- John Frando, Battalion Chief/PIO, City of Bakersfield Fire Dept.
- Michelle Hernandez, Communications, Delano Police Department
- Jeannie Taylor, CERT Coordinator, Kern County Fire Department
- Damian Nord, Commander, Kern County Sheriff's Office
- Frank Domingo, Supervising Communications Tech, Kern County Communications
- Henry Bravo, Lieutenant, Kern County Sheriff's Office
- Cal Rossi, SCE (Southern California Edison)
- Chris Maloney, Emergency Manager, China Lake (NAWS)
- Terri Mejorado, Cal OES, Emergency Mgmt. – Region 5
- Walt Kent, Cal OES, Emergency Mgmt. – Region 5
- Nick Lidgett, EMS Coordinator, Kern County Public Health
- James Moore, Sergeant, Bakersfield Police Dept.
- Joseph Grubbs, Risk Manager, Kern Community College District
- Frank Wells, Assistant Emergency Manager Coordinator, ARES/RACES
- Scott Fieber, Manager Emergency Preparedness, Kern County Superintendent of Schools
- Christian Shannon, Admin Support Services, Kern County Superintendent of Schools
- Mike Nisser, Disaster Response, Kern County Department of Human Services.
- Adrianna Harris, AmeriCorps/American Red Cross
- Megin Hughes, Disaster Program Manager, American Red Cross
- Dianne Campbell, Kern Medical Reserve Corps, Kern County Public Health
- Adriana Flores, Emergency Services Coordinator, Cal Dept. of Social Svc. Region 5
- Kori Linker, California Dept. of Social Services – Disaster Services Bureau
- Marlene Acosta, Office Services Tech, Kern County OES
- George Baker, EMS Coordinator for Children, Kern County Public Health –EMS
- Zachary Bittle, Search and Rescue Coordinator, Kern County Sheriff's Office
- Dennis Smithson, Cal OES – Law Enforcement – Region 5
- Barbara Mariscal, American Red Cross, Disaster Program Manager

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OPENING STATEMENT:

INTERIM FACILITATOR – GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

Thank you all for coming out. We will be approving our minutes from our March meeting. Before we approve the minutes, I would like to make sure that everyone has had a chance to review the minutes. Remember, that our agenda and our minutes become public documents. Both documents are posted on the Kern County Fire Departments website for public viewing. We are required to post per the Clerk of the Board and County Council so, please look over minutes and see if there are any adjustments that need to be made. It is important that these adjustments be made before we post them because once it is posted that is the official record.

REVIEWING AND APPROVAL OF MARCH 14, 2018, MINUTES:

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

Are there any comments or corrections on March 14, 2018, minutes? Since we have no changes that need to be made to the minutes do we have a motion to approve the minutes?

First motion: Nike Lidgett

Second motion: Joseph Grubbs

All in favor: All

Any opposed: None

March 14, 2018, minutes have been approved.

REPORT ON TACTICAL PLAN ACTIVATION PROTOCOL

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

We have been working on our Mutual Aid Agreements which is a strategic document. In order for us to implement strategic Mutual Aid, we have to have a plan for how we are going to do it. We need to know how the tactical part is going to work. We established a working group to do that. Brandon Smith has been leading this group, He is out of the County this week. Christian Shannon, who is also a part of this group will give us a briefing on the Tactical Plan.

CHRISTIAN SHANNON, ADMIN SUPPORT SERVICES, KCSOS

Our committee is constructed of George Bake, Marty Williamson, Mike Cash, Justine Fleeman, and myself. You have received a copy of our first draft of the Tactical Plan Activation Protocol document. What we are asking is for you to look over the document so we can record any feedback that you might have so, we can have some guidance on our next steps. We will not move forward with this document until we have the blessings for this committee. This document was simply made to try to create a documented process for ordering resources through the agreement, provide some guidance for those requesting and providing resources. It is geared toward City's, County entities and agency that will be signatories to the agreement. Remember this is our first step and we are looking forward to your input from this group.

Comments:

Georgianna Armstrong: On the first page the Mutual Aid assistance guidelines, the requesting agency needs to be very specific on the quantity and type of resources that are being requested in that third box. It needs to have more clarification on the certifications or qualifications needed on resources that are being requested. If we need building inspectors, that's not just someone from Public Works. It needs to state that we need someone with X, Y and Z

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qualifications. We also need to have clarification as this group gets bigger with multiple entities the criteria of when they need to get Kern OES involved so they know that Kern OES is going to be responsible for reaching out in a broader area.

Nick Lidgett: Are we going to have a capability list, so each jurisdiction knows what each jurisdiction has and the capabilities so they know who to reach out to for specific resources?

Georgianna Armstrong: When this group first got started that was one of the things we wanted to do was have a list of resources by jurisdiction. The initial resource list was based on law enforcement resources. I think we need a capability list of each jurisdiction or agency.

Christian Shannon: Maybe we should have a capability and resources list for each jurisdiction or agency. We didn't think that it should be a part of this document but maybe it needs to be attached to this document.

Georgiana Armstrong: It's harder to keep up with the changes when it's on paper. It should be in a database so changes can be easily made. In a database, everyone will be able to have access to it and change will be made immediately.

Nick Lidgett: We might want to think about adding an immediate need resource to the form. Something that states that the responding agency will fill that resources as needed. We want to make sure we cover ourselves when it comes to these request. This will allow the responding agency to respond as they see fit.

Dianne Campbell: In this document is there going to be something that states we will be required or a resource addendum that states what is required. Will we need to use WebEOC for resource recording purposes?

Christian Shannon: What we were envisioning, not necessary with resources but we will need to have a coordinators list that is updated and attached to this document. This will give us an opportunity to have a way to reach out to other jurisdictions and agencies. We want to have a quick way to generate resources. Maybe we should have a form that documents the resources request.

Georgianna Armstrong: Yes, we should have a form to document your request and track those request. It should be an op area form that is simple that can be used by everyone.

Dianne Campbell: It has to be a form that is used consistently, and it has to be the same form that everyone is using.

Frank Domingo: Don't we have those form that is covered under ICS and NIMS that we can use?

Georgianna Armstrong: We do have the ICS forms, but we want to make the form more civilian friendly. We want a form that agency can pick up and use, let's keep it as simple as possible.

Nick Lidgett: Medical Health actually have a resource request form that we use. It is an inter-operational request form that was meant for medical health resources but it's a generalized form that has all the basic information, what do you need, when do you need it, and a signature spot for who is requesting the resources.

Georgianna Armstrong: Marlene can send out a copy of the form to the tactical group to review and maybe we can get some feedback on the form.

Christian Shannon: Let make sure we get the right title on the form, we want to make sure that this form will work for the ops area as well. Right now the draft that we have is a two-page document. What you would like to see is a resource request form attached which will be the third page and the fourth page will be a coordinators list, which we will have to make sure we keep up.

Georgianna Armstrong: We are working on a contact database right now, and that will take the place of the coordinator's list. We want to have the contact information available electronically so everyone will have access to it and change can be made right way.

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Christian Shannon: We will be putting together a draft of the document base on the input that was said today and any other we may receive in the next week. We will try to get out the next draft before the next meeting for everyone to review.

REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREAT SHAKEOUT EXERCISE

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

When we pitched this to the City Managers group, they made it very clear that they wanted this exercise to be a baby step. They don't want to have to prepare for days and then exercising all day to say my jurisdiction got nothing. With that in mind, we looked at what is the very basic thing that we can do. We looked at what is step one and can we all do step one. We presented it to the City Managers group, and they seem to be okay with exercising at this level. Although it is a baby step, it's actually a big step if we take it as a whole operational area. John Frando will explain he is the one who has been coordinating the Great Shake outgroup.

JOHN FRANDO, BAKERSFIELD FIRE DEPT.

We are trying to start from the bottom up. If we cannot start from point A then, we cannot get to point B. The selling points for the jurisdictions that are represented here is to not consider it necessarily a drill or to sell it as a drill. It should be as simple as, hey, call me on the Great ShakeOut day. The drill will be standing off the Great ShakeOut; it is something we do every year. One way we would like your agency to participate in is to go to the Great ShakeOut website and enter your information for your jurisdiction and what capacity your jurisdiction will be participating. Are you just going to drop, cover, and hold, or are you just acknowledging the fact that there was a fake earthquake? Are you going to do a full-scale evacuation drill, routing point, roll call or identify needs within your building? Are you going to look at an issue that may occur with evacuations barriers such as problems getting people out with disabilities? There is a lot more to the Great ShakeOut you can participate at a very low level or you can go all out with a full-scale evacuation drill.

We do recognize that a lot of the government agencies want to start off small. We do not want to disrupt what your agencies are doing for the Great ShekeOut. We want to give them time to be able to go through their drill and then we can start our exercise. This year the Great ShakeOut will start at 10:18 am on October 18, 2018, so we will be kicking off our exercise about 11:00 am. This will give people enough time to go through their drill and then they could come back and participate in our exercise by making that phone call. As far as the Great ShakeOut, all we want you to do is go the website and register what your agency will be doing. That leads to our exercise, which you will identify who in your agency is going to be filling in a DOC or EOC position or whether their just a contact person. We want you guys to think about if you really had to activate your DOC or EOC and had to make contact with Kern EOC, who would be making contact? You want to develop a list of what your positions are, and who will fill those positions.

Georgianna is working on a website, so we will be able to upload that information before this excise drill. That is really how you guys can help us is by going back to your agencies and asking them who would be making contact with Kern EOC should we get activated? The initial part of this exercise is identifying who is going to be making the phone call on the day of the Great ShakeOut and make that call or radio contact the day of the exercise. We will be testing the various forms of communications with the EOC it is really important and that is really all we are asking people to do, who's going to make the call and on test day can we do it. If you all can go back to your jurisdiction or agency and sell it to them that is really what we will be doing is just making a phone call.

The form that you all received is self-explanatory and is pretty much what I spoke about. If you look on the back side of the form you receive you will see that is an evaluation for each level, one for the Great ShakeOut Drill and one for the Kern Op Area Communications Drill. This is so you can evaluate your agency on what you were able to do. Level 1 is to sign up for the Great ShakeOut drill does the drill and do the evaluation. There is no sense in doing the drill if

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we are not going to try and better ourselves as a result, we can't do better unless we do a true evaluation of ourselves. Level 2 is the Kern Op Area Communication drill, identifying who going to make the call, make the call whether it's a phone or radio, and confirm contact with this is a drill reporting into the EOC.

There is also WebEOC which is a communication system that allows you to log in as a certain IC position, you can check in and request resources through WebEOC. Wendy came out to Bakersfield Fire Department and give (30) thirty of us a crash course navigating through WebEOC. For those agencies that have access to WebEOC you might want to contact Wendy Benson and get a crash course or if you forgot your login information she can help you with that as well. One of the ways that communication will be done in a major disaster is through WebEOC, so it would be good for you to get familiar with the system.

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

Wendy does training every month on WebEOC if you go to the Kern County Fire Department website under education you will find the training registration with the dates of the training. If any department or Jurisdiction would like the training on a day that is not on the website I'm sure with advance notice we will be able to make that happen.

CHRISTIAN SHANNON, ADMIN SUPPORT SERVICES, KCSOS

If one of the organizations or jurisdiction that wanted to expand their drill and ask for some partners to possibly participate, is that something you want us to do on our own? Do you want us to reach out privately or funnel those request through this committee?

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

Any jurisdiction that wants to go above and beyond the baby steps they are welcome to do so, but as an Op Area, we just want to do the baby step. If there is an entity that wants to do more and you see an opportunity for the op area to support that then let's find someone to play with your agency.

DIANNE CAMPBELL, KMRC, KERN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

When the exercise starts at 11:00 am, will the EOC be initiating it to the jurisdictions? Will they let them know this is a drill or exercise to call into the EOC?

JOHN FRANDO, BAKERSFIELD FIRE DEPT.

No, People should just understand that is a Mock disaster drill and at 11:00 am the contact person will be making that call to the EOC. It would defeat the purpose of a disaster to happen and the EOC have to reach out to each individual agency or department. It's about the need and if a disaster would happen and you activate your DOC's or EOC's you need to know how to make contact to the Kern EOC. In the next few weeks, you might want to start asking who the contact person is going to be so when it is time to sign up online you can let the EOC know who the contact person is going to be.

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

This exercise doesn't get any simpler than this. There are no surprise scenarios. It's basically, do you know who is going to come to your DOC or EOC, do you have the information to contact them, and do the people who would come to your DOC or EOC know how to contact the County EOC? The heavy lift for the jurisdictions is before the drill and that is identifying who coming to your EOC and DOC and how to contact them. This is simple but important. Once we get this down then we can move onto something more complex. If we do this successfully this year than maybe next year we can do something as an operational area where we simulate an area of the county that is impacted by a disaster

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and is requesting resources and everyone else is not impacted but is receiving those request and are dealing with how they are going to process those request for resources.

The Great ShakeOut website is not a Kern County exercise. That is separate from our exercise but if your jurisdiction is going to participate in the exercise you want to register your participation. You want your constituencies to know what you're doing and the website also has a lot of resources and it's all free.

Hot Wash is just as simple as the exercise. All we want to know is did you do the exercise, were there any problems, was it helpful, and what should we do differently? This isn't a waste of time even though it is very small. It is a big deal for the ops area.

THE ONLINE DATABASE FOR JURISDICTIONAL EMERGENCY CONTACT LIST

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

We have been talking with County IT about an online database, since having a paper database is hard to maintain and goes out of date the soon as they are printed we wanted something that would be easy for everyone to keep up with. There are grants to come to Kern OES, and one of them is the EMPG and starting July 1st, we are eligible to do grant fund request for the projects. In July the County IT is going to develop an online forum that will be password protected and only authorized users will be able to access this forum. For all the Cities and Departments, we will be using a two-step authentication process. So if someone signs up to request access the contact person for your jurisdiction will receive a phone call to make sure that person is approved to have access. We are not going to automatically grant access to the online forum. We are going to call your jurisdiction to get the approval first. On this forum, we are going to have our contact database, and the main contact numbers for the department, cities, and agencies. All of the users on this forum will be able to see all of that information. We will state that the information on the forum is not for public distribution. This is for government and agency use only. They are also going to set up a child account where each city can have a child account that only the authorized people in your entity can access and view and is not open to everyone.

We will also be able to post documents and plans to this forum. We will be able to have the Mutual Aid Agreement, the Tactical Plan, and Exercise documents or whatever it is we would be able to post it on the forum. IT will be working on this in July, but I was told that they could have it done before our exercise and we would be able to populate that forum with our information before we play in the Great ShakeOut. We do have a document that I will have Marlene send out that has the structure of how they think this forum is going to go. We need you to look it over so if there is something that you don't think is going to work for your jurisdiction or if there is something that you would like to see added, now would be the time to identify it so that they can make the change in the front end so the forum would work the way we want it to work. We want you to comment back before July so they can start working on it when we get the funds. We don't want to have the forum up and running and then have to take down to make changes. Look at the document as an end user and see if it is going to work for you.

STATUS OF THE MOU

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

The second draft of the MOU has gone out to the City Managers meeting. They have made very few minor modifications to some of the wording. So, that second draft is being circulated among the City Managers and their understanding that as of their next meeting if there are any other changes they will discuss and decided at that time if there are any other changes. I will then that that to County Counsel and they will have to sign off on it and that will be the final document. I am going to work out with County Counsel how we will do the signature page because we don't want to have to resign every time we have a new entity. I would like to have each agency or jurisdiction to get their own signature page. I believe we will have our strategic agreement soon, we will have our tactical plan and our

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database soon. Also, I don't think that the community districts are represented at those meetings, and that was a question brought up and we defiantly want the community districts at those meetings. This is not just cites and county we want the appropriate entities at these meetings.

OVERVIEW OF THREAT AND HAZARD IDENTIFICATION RISK ASSESSMENT (THIRA)

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

The Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment is known as the THIRA and this is something that FEMA has previously required for the State levels and the urban areas. The Cal Clock newsletter had an article about significant changes from FEMA in 2018. One of the changes was that all jurisdictions, not just state will be required to complete an SPR. And an SPR is a stakeholder preparedness review which comes out of doing this THIRA. What that means is for those of us who use the Homeland Security Grants to enhance our capability there is going to be another layer to our eligibility.

So, we must do this THIRA and we must do this Stakeholder preparedness review report and within that the THIRA and SPR outlines these are our threats and hazards, this is the core capability that we want to have to address those hazards, these are the resources that we have and these are the resources that we need. That is what is going to give us justification to say we need grant funding to get this stuff to have this resource to meet this capability to meet this threat.

Money has been saved from the FY16 Homeland Security Grant to do our first initial THIRA. RFP's have been released and have the proposals are in place and the evaluation committee is meeting tomorrow. We had serval proposals and all are good. But two are exhalant and they stress the concept of a whole community. They do not only address people with access and functional needs, it addresses the private sector, non-profit sector and it also means all of us. When we look at these proposals, it's not just for the County of Kern it is also including all the jurisdiction that we listed in the RFP. So when the Homeland Security is asking for the SPR for the city Bakersfield or any other jurisdiction I will be able to say yes you do because you will be included in this project that we all do. So, when we sign the agreement to begin this process and I reach out to you please don't blow this off. This is not just some county plan that I am working on. I need your jurisdiction to be in this THIRA and SPR in order for you to be able to stay in the Homeland Security Grant pool. This is really important, we will still have to do the NIMS cast and now we will have to do this THIRA report. The good news is that we are getting someone that is really experienced to come in and help us with this process. This will also help fill in the gaps and the needs to help local leaders make executives decisions. I hope this will help us move a step forward to help us stay on top of the requirements for the Homeland Security Grants so we can continue to get funding.

CHRISTIAN SHANNON, ADMIN SUPPORT SERVICES, KCSOS

Besides to not responding to your emails what else is going be a barrier for you to receive the information that you would need?

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

First, you must open the emails and respond to the emails that are sent to you. The first thing is going to start off with is the identifications of the treats and hazards. That will be the first stakeholder review and you want to make sure that it is right. Did we leave anything out, is there anything local specific to your jurisdiction that we missed? Then there are the targets and capabilities. You need to look at it and see if it matches what you think you can do. It's basically participation in this process as we develop this THIRA.

JEANNIE TAYLOR, CERT COORDINATOR, KCFD

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Are the Special Districts going to be a part of this process as sub jurisdictions? Or are they encouraged to participate?

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

They are encouraged to participate because they are a part of the Homeland Security Grant pool. We buy equipment for those special districts using grant funds and we don't want them to lose that capability. They are part of the Ops Area.

NON AGENDA ITEMS:

THE OUTCOME OF ORANGE COUNTY MEETING

GEORGIANNA ARMSTRONG, KERN OES

The Orange County Ops Area Emergency Management group has been doing these meetings for 22 yrs., so they are ahead of the game. I just want to share how the structure of their group is to see if this is the direction that we might want to go. They have regular meetings and they have outstanding contents and that is important. We have been working on the infrastructure of where we are going with this group. This group has managed to put together the right group of people, the right presentation, and the right topics. One of the presentations at this meeting was from a group called Dig 360 and what they do for recovery is they work with these large corporations to solicit the specific donation of specific items at the right time for the right people. So, like in the Erskine Fire people lost their furniture and people dropped off furniture before people were back in their homes. We got the wrong stuff at the wrong time for the wrong people.

Another item they had on their agenda was something that is going to come down the road for us. As we all know that the Emergency Notifications is a big topic right now with what happened in Hawaii from what didn't happen in Santa Barbara, it's a big deal right now. The State has been working on this guidance plan, region 5 is represented by Andrew Wilkins in Tulare County and he has sent us a couple of drafts. I have not sent out these drafts because they are moving so quickly to try to complete this guidance plan that it changes as fast as I received it. Once the plan is completed I will send it out. What Orange County has done knowing that this guidance plan is coming, what they have been discussing is what is the policy they are going to use in Orange County and what forum they are going to use for the city to contact them to do a notification. They want to make sure they have the documentation and they want to make sure it is done right.

Here in Kern County, we use ReadyKern and many of the Cities have their own notification system. We use our notification system quite frequently, and we can send notifications anywhere within the Kern County boundaries. At some point when we have that plan, we will have to have that simplistic form. We want to make sure that that message we send out is right and to the right people. If we are going to do something on behalf of a City, we don't want to make up the wording of the message. We want the City to tell us exactly what they want us to send out. We want to have everything lined up so we can launch it and go. This is going to take some kind of common forum. This is something that is coming down the road, and we want to be ready.

I don't want our meeting to be me standing up front and doing all talking, this is not an OES meeting. Yes, OES needs to be a part of it because we are part of the ops area and that's what we do. This can't be the Kern County OES Committee in order for this to be the Kern County OA Area Committee the leadership of this

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group needs not to be me. What they do in Orange County is they elect someone every year and it's one of the Emergency Managers from one of the cities or special districts and it rotates. I think once we have gone through a couple of projects and we are familiar with each other and we know who want to step up then we to that. The ownership of this meeting has to be coming from the operational area. I like you all to consider this. I know we are not quite ready but for those who are in this room should consider this position for the next twelve months and be a part of our mission.

Another thing that Orange County had is stand in subcommittees that are of interest to the operational area. They had a Schools Committee, Higher Education, Shelter, Citizens Forum Committee, WebEOC Communications, an Exercise Committee, and a Training Committee. We may not need all of these committees, but to think of some of the things we can do as a standup group. We want to be a Kern Operational Area group with higher capabilities.

I think it is a great idea to move the meeting to different locations. We want to have a way to break out and connect because that is what it's going to take for everyone to talk to each other. If you are willing to host a meeting, please e-mail Marlene and let her know and we will make that happen.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

Georgianna Armstrong, Emergency Services Manager, Kern County OES – First Annual Joint Meeting for the Emergency Council and Kern OA Advisory Committee. We will be doing a quick briefing and introductions and then we will be focusing on how the two groups can work together.

John Frando, Battalion Chief/PIO, City of Bakersfield Fire Dept. – Our current Fire Chief will be retiring at the end of this fiscal year, we are in the process of looking for a new Fire Chief.

Jeannie Taylor, CERT Coordinator, Kern County Fire Department – CERT has just graduated a new class, train the trainers for Community Response Teams practices. Part of that was a team annex for use in Schools. We just started talking to NASA looking for a CERT Team in their safety assessment, and we are working to start a team in Lamont.

Henry Bravo, Lieutenant, Kern County Sheriff's Office – Something that we will be working on is an active shooter, just like the Los Vegas incident.

Cal Rossi, SCE (Southern California Edison) – We been working on Maps and reps coverage. The maps that I'm referring to are PSPS (Public Safety Power Shut Off). All of our liaison have been trained in WebEOC and some of the reps have but not all so, I would be like to follow up on some training for WebEOC.

Chris Maloney, Emergency Manager, China Lake (NAWS) – This week I will be at the NEMAA course in Burbank. This month we are doing a mishap drill on the base. We are doing our version of the ShakeOut which is the Citadel Rumble TTX in August.

Terri Mejorado, Cal OES, Emergency Mgmt. – Region 5 – There is a new only training course aimed at preparing community leaders to build sustainable and cohesive locally led violence prevention or

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intervention frameworks. It's an hour-long training and it is geared toward jurisdictions. There is a lot of information, and it is free.

Dennis Smithson, Cal OES – Law Enforcement – Region 5 – On May 24th, we will be having a regional law enforcement meeting up in Fresno. We will be preparing for the upcoming fire season. The goal for this meeting is to get the cities and the jurisdictions to understand how the mutual aid system works under the law and how the process works.

Frank Wells, Assistant Emergency Manager Coordinator, ARES/RACES – The Amateur Radios will have their annual drill come up which is called Field Day. This drill will be held on June 23rd, at College Park, it's to establish contact around the country and it will be held for 24 hours. They made it a game but it is an Emergency Contacts Drill.

Christian Shannon, Admin Support Services, Kern County Superintendent of Schools – Schools have been talking about how to create a hard target on camps, additional school resource officers, arming staff and we also have concerns about school bus accidents with children on board. What we do and are preparing for is for the safety of the children. We are excited to be a part in assisting with making this group grow.

Mike Nisser, Disaster Response, Kern County Department of Human Services. – One of our biggest projects is we are in the processes of making safe rooms for all of our district offices including the main facility at Union and California, in case of a possible active shooter. As far as the ShakeOut this year, we will be doing a full-scale drill which will include: Stop, Drop, and Hold, Evacuation and roll call. The fastest we have done a drill for evacuating 900 - 1000 people has been 14 minutes with the new notification system we have.

Adrianna Harris, AmeriCorps/American Red Cross – We just had the Sound the Alarm which is our annual event and we worked with John Frando and Fire Station 1. We also did some pillowcase presentations which are Disaster Preparedness for children 3rd grade through 6th grade. It was really had to find the school to do these presentations in.

Barbara Mariscal, American Red Cross, Disaster Program Manager – I am the Programs Manager for the Los Angeles Region but I overs see portions of Kern County on my end. I oversee California City, Ridgecrest, and Rosamond, everything east of Rosamond to the county line and San Bernardino and Inyo County. I just want to introduce myself so that everyone is familiar with who I am for eastern Kern County.

Megin Hughes, Disaster Program Manager, American Red Cross – We have been working with John Frando on the whole fire safety campaign event and we are just getting ready for the fire season. We have been working on training with the Kern River Valley CERT and we will be doing training in Frazier Park, Tehachapi, and the outlining areas. We will also be doing some sheltering training with Public Health nurses and we will be setting up something with KMRC as well.

KERN COUNTY OPERATIONAL AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

MAY 9, 2018, 10:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

Kern Emergency Operations Center

2601 Panorama Dr., Bldg. B, Bakersfield CA 93306

MEETING MINUTES

Dianne Campbell, Kern Medical Reserve Corps, Kern County Public Health – The KMRC is having their State conference at the end of the month. This will include all the MRC throughout California and a lot of the discussion will be about how the MRC's volunteers were utilized during all the fire. In June Public Health's parking lot will be getting work done to it, so parking may be an issue for our next meeting.

Kori Linker, California Dept. of Social Services – Disaster Services Bureau – I just wanted to introduce Adriana Flores, she is a new Public Services Coordinator. She will be the States Mass Care and Shelter back-up liaison for Region 5 when I am not available.

George Baker, EMS Coordinator for Children, Kern County Public Health –EMS – EMS are doing a stop the bleeds training. We are doing it for anybody just call me or Nick Lidgett and we will come to you it takes about an hour. This program is supported by a group called The American Surgeons so, give us a call and we will come out and show you how not to bleed to death. We are also in the planning stages of bringing TEEEX to do their Active Shooter Response program once we get dates we will let everyone know.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 11:55 AM

NEXT MEETING DATE: June 25, 2018, at 8:30 am

TIME: 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

LOCATION: Public Health Meeting Room, 1800 Mt. Vernon Ave., 1st FL, Bakersfield, CA

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