Mesa County LEPC Minutes
July 14, 2011
Held at Cudd Energy Services Facility

Call to Order & Introductions The meeting was called to order by Brandi Manuppella. Members in attendance: Grace Logsdon (Ute Water), Shane Chatfield (MCHD), Dick Pippenger (Lower Valley Fire Dist.), Glenn Kiser (Retired), Brandi Manuppella (GJFD), Paul Frey (Cudd), John Hall (GJFD), Ed Clark (State Patrol), Rich Carter (City of GJ), Richard Rupp (Palisade Fire), Horace Sessions (Cray Valley), Jim Pringle (National Weather Service), Petie Pope (School District 51), Kalanda Isaac (Ute Water), Todd Desmarais (Clifton Water)

Approval of Minutes
There were no changes to the minutes from the June meeting. Grace Logsdon moved to accept the minutes and Horace Sessions seconded the motion.

Treasurers Report
Our account balance is $3,515.69

General Business
A $39,750 Supplemental Environmental Projects Grant was awarded to MC LEPC. Brandi and John Hall submitted three proposals that were accepted by the company being fined. The money is allocated in full to the three projects; Hazmat Tech & Hazmat Operations trainings and a full scale emergency exercise to be held on October 11th. Great job to everyone who put together proposals and helped in getting funds for improved emergency response in Mesa County!

Colorado Emergency Planning Committee (CEPC) has agreed to assist MC LEPC in getting our 503(c) non profit status. Because we are not a 503(c) organization, the State could not deposit the SEP grant into our account.

Tier II update - Andy was not at the meeting to discuss the status of Tier II but Brandi shared that we are now up to 240 submissions in Mesa County. Each drilling site has its own Tier II submission causing the number or Tier II's to be higher this year.

John Hall informed us that St. Mary's changed their policy on de-contamination. They will no longer de-con patients. They stated that they will call the fire department to de-con if a patient arrives at ER in a hazardous materials emergency.

Mesa County Safety Fair is scheduled for Feb. 16 – 17th, 2012.

Upcoming Events and Training
July 28th at 1 p.m. Post office has invited **ONE** member of the LEPC to take part in their Biohazard Detection System installation and alert meeting. Must RSVP.

Aug. 1st One day Pipeline Safety Training in GJ - free

Aug. 9th The local post office will be doing a table top exercise

August 10th CDPHE Hazardous Materials & Waste Management Division is putting on a one day workshop over viewing Colorado Hazardous Waste Regulations. This workshop is in GJ and costs $85.

Sept. 7-9th Annual LEPC State conference in Breckenridge

Sept 30 6p-10p, Oct 1&2 8a-5p Haz Mat Operations training held at Clifton Fire Protection District station. This class has a max of 20 students with First Responders in the valley getting first choice. Students will need to provide their own text books.

Oct. 11 Full-scale Hazmat Exercise with an energy focus. This is an all day exercise and everyone is invited. Location to be announced.

Oct 17-21 Hazmat Technician review. This class is closed.

Oct 19th Operations Rail Safety. AM is classroom and PM is in the rail yard. Max participation of 25.

Please email Brandi if someone wants to attend any of the SEP Grant funded training.

Brandi presented on the City of Grand Junction Compressed Natural Gas filling station. Brandi gave us the background of the City's alternative fuels project, costs, equipment and vehicle investments and how Encana Energy pitched in funds and established that the CNG would be available to the public. The City of GJ is working on an ERP for their facility.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 P.M.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, August 11th, from noon to 1pm at the Cudd Energy Service's building.

Respectfully submitted by Grace Logsdon