

Regional Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency  
Preparedness Directors Subcommittee  
State of Louisiana

JOHN BEL EDWARDS  
GOVERNOR



BRIAN SPILLMAN  
CHAIRMAN

Regional Parish OHSEP Director's Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 4:00 PM  
Crown Plaza, Baton Rouge, LA

### ATTENDEES

Brian Spillman, Robert Jump, Rebecca Broussard, Lee John, Collins Simoneaux, Teresa Basco, Pam Roussel, Jason Tastet, Allison McLeary, Kenneth Moore, Neal Brown, John Taylor, Darren Guidry, Christina Dayries, Kelly Fett, Richard Browning, Darryl Delatte, John Rahaim, James Waskom, Dawson Prime, Toni Rochelle, Danny Lavergne, Mark Oxley, Joseph Booth.

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### WELCOME \ ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting started at 4:00 PM. Brian Spillman called the meeting to order, completed roll call and welcomed everyone.

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### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Rebecca Broussard made a motion to approve the minutes and Dawson Primes seconded the motion. There was no opposition. The March 2018 minutes were approved.

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### GOHSEP UPDATES

#### Director Waskom

- GOHSEP has requested a State Individual Assistance declaration request from the President for the following Parishes: Caddo, Bossier, Lincoln and Bienville.
  - Flood Fight expenses for the event is estimated at \$5.2 million.
- FY 2018/2019 GOHSEP Budget:
  - If HB1 passes in current for (should be form), the agency will receive State General Fund for \$4.7 million for LWIN upgrades and \$145,000 for two (2) new positions to handle Individual Assistance program.
- Flood Fight 101 Workshops will be held on June 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Please see handout for additional information
- HB4- House Bill FAA Act- Disaster reform
  - State Management Cost to the applicant and sub applicant 6%
- Hurricane Prep\ Weather Services

## **Mutual Aid/ LEPC Statewide Discussion**

**Lt. Kelly Feet (LSP), Richard Browning (DPS), Joey Booth and Mark Oxley (TBLIC)**

- Lt. Kelly Feet of LSP and Joseph Booth were present to discuss training opportunities with parish OHSEP Directors regarding HazMat response and Haz Flow commodity flow studies and Mutual Aid programs. They requested that the subcommittee get back with Lt. Feet on local representation for a working group to identify projects.
- Federal Grants for these projects will be available March 2019.

## **FY 2018 Preparedness Grants**

**Christina Dayries**

- FY 2018 Notice of Funding Opportunity Announcement (NOFO) 3rd or 4th week in May, no change in grant guidance anticipated, except for the NSGP as noted in our recent email sent out by Christina.
- Includes the following grant programs:
  - Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)
  - Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
    - + State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)
    - + Operation Stonegarden (OPSG)
    - + Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) – potential for award (NOLA)
- Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)
  - Potential for multiple awards, including agencies outside a UASI (\$10 million) and inside a UASI (\$50 Million).
- Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) – individual applications accepted, not awarded through GOHSEP.
- Grant Allocation Amounts are unknown - do not anticipate significant changes to EMPG or SHSP.

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## **Legislation Updates**

**Allison McLeary**

- GOHSEP legal staff will continue to send out weekly updates through the end of the session.
- Special Session scheduled to end early.
- **HB 358/388**, Hodges/Foil – The Volunteer Bill, moving forward with amendments.
- **HB 645**, Zeringue - Powers and duties of GOHSEP, UCG, creates a Disaster Cemetery Response Task Force, and extends limitations of liability and immunity for certain disaster related activities. Moving through and expected to pass.
- **SB 262**, Gatti – Powers of the Governor (Will not proceed)
- **SB 446**, White – GOHSEP Reauthorization, passed, pending Governor's Signature.
- Legal is available to review any grant related procurement documents such as RFPs, RFQs, Bid Documents and resulting contracts for compliance with applicable laws and regulations as well as to provide technical assistance with the grant requirements.

## **Open Discussion**

Regional Directors gave briefings on upcoming events.  
Collin Arnold is the new OEP Director for Region One.

Next meeting will be face to face on June 12, 2018

A motion to adjourn was made by Dawson Primes. Motion seconded by Rebecca Broussard. There was no opposition. Meeting adjourned at 5:12 PM.