



## Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

**Meeting Date:** May 27, 2014

**Prepared By/Phone Number:** Preston Doege 512-974-0476

**Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head:** Danny Hobby, County Executive, Emergency Services

**Commissioners Court Sponsor:** Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

**AGENDA LANGUAGE:** Consider and Take Appropriate Action on the Approval of Nominating New Members to the State Emergency Response Committee for Appointment to the Travis County Local Emergency Planning Committee

**BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:**

Travis County has maintained the statutory functions of a Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) since 1992 as mandated under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-know Act (EPCRA). EPCRA mandated that each state identify disaster districts known as a LEPC to carry out the functions of EPCRA and Texas determined each county would be an LEPC. After 9/11 there was a transition to Emergency Management Offices that assumed most of the duties of an LEPC. In 2006 these duties transferred fully to the Office of Emergency Management and the LEPC ceased to function with a full membership roster as the duties were performed through OEM. This transition resulted in a gap between public and private entities. In 2013 OEM discussed repurposing the LEPC as a forum to integrate public and private partners for the purpose of information sharing in hazard mitigation, environmental protection, and homeland security. After meeting with these stakeholders, a mission was developed for the LEPC and a survey was taken to determine if the attendees wanted to be a member, stakeholder or committee participant. The Travis County Office of Emergency Management identified those persons indicating a desire to be a member and placed their names on the Nomination Form. All participants that wanted to be a member were included on the form. These individuals represent a broad knowledge base of expertise in public service and industry. In addition to the membership list, the LEPC will maintain an extensive working relationship with non-member stakeholders.

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:** The Office of Emergency Management recommends approval of the individuals listed on the attached - Form 151 as new members of the Travis County LEPC.

**ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:** The LEPC will allow a forum to integrate County private corporations and industry into the planning process for hazard mitigation, environmental protection, and homeland security. In addition, the LEPC will address requests for information under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-know Act.

**FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:** None. Although the LEPC is appointed by the County Government, the LEPC is an independent non-profit organization and County funding support is minimal and primarily comprised of staff time.

**REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:**

Title 42 - THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE  
CHAPTER 116 - EMERGENCY PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RIGHT-TO-KNOW

The State emergency response commission shall appoint members of a local emergency planning committee for each emergency planning district. Each committee shall include, at a minimum, representatives from each of the following groups or organizations: elected State and local officials; law enforcement, civil defense, firefighting, first aid, health, local environmental, hospital, and transportation personnel; broadcast and print media; community groups; and owners and operators of facilities subject to the requirements of this subchapter.

Texas SERC LEPC Handbook

The Texas SERC requests that LEPC members are nominated by the County Judge and approved by the SERC.

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## Local Emergency Planning Committee Membership Update Form

State Emergency Response Commission  
c/o TDEM Operations Section  
Post Office Box 4087  
Austin, TX 78773  
(512) 424-2208  
E-Mail: soc@dps.texas.gov



BOX A	
<i>Box A must be filled in and signed by the County ..... before returning form(s) to the SERC.</i>	
Legal Name of LEPC: Travis County Local Emergency Planning Committee	
County/Countries: Travis	Is this your entire LEPC membership listing? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
County Judge's First Name: Samual	Last Name: Biscoe
County Judge's Approval (signature required):	Date:

### LEPC Membership Categories

(In accordance with Public Law 99-499, Section 301(c))

*Note: Information may be released to the public under the Texas Open Records Act. Use your work address and phone number.*

Community Group	CG	Health	HE	information Coordinator	IC
Emergency Management	EM	Hospital	HO	Print/Broadcast Media	PBM
Emergency Medical Service	EMS	Law Enforcement	LE	State/Local Official	SLO
Facility Owners/Operators	FO	Local Environmental Group	LEG	Transportation Personnel	TP
Firefighters	FF	Health	HE	Other	OTH

Box 1: Chairperson Update Information		
Salutation: Mr.	First Name: Preston	Last Name: Doege
Job Title: Travis County Hazmat Coordinator		Contact Phone: 512-974-0476
Contact Email: Preston.Doege@co.travis.tx.us		Fax Number: 512-974-0499
Organization/Agency: Travis County Office of Emergency Mgmt		LEPC Membership Category: CP
Address: PO Box 1748		
City: Austin	State: TX	Zip Code: 78767

Box 2: Vice Chairperson Update Information		
Salutation: Ms.	First Name: Karen	Last Name: Koenreich
Job Title: EHS		Contact Phone: 888-654-0111
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov		Fax Number: 512-974-0499
Organization/Agency: TAS Environmental		LEPC Membership Category: CV
Address: PO Box 1748		
City: Austin	State: TX	Zip Code: 78767

Please provide a point-of-contact in the event there are questions about the information contained on these forms. Thank you.

Contact Name: Pete Baldwin	Email: Pete.Baldwin@co.travis.tx.us	Phone: 512-974-0472
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## LEPC Member Updates

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Box A and Box 1 on first page must be completed when submitting member updates.

Salutation: Mr.	First Name: Doug	Last Name: Bradford
Job Title: EHS	Contact Phone: 512-672-1000	
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov	Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Organization/Agency: Samsung	LEPC Membership Category: FO	
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Previous member's name:		
Salutation: Mr.	First Name: Bryan	Last Name: Hale
Job Title: EHS	Contact Phone: 512-421-4900	
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov	Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Organization/Agency: SACHEM	LEPC Membership Category: FO	
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Previous member's name:		
Salutation: Ms.	First Name: Susan	Last Name: Tyler
Job Title: EHS	Contact Phone: 512-410-3400	
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov	Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Organization/Agency: Sun Coast Resources	LEPC Membership Category: FO TR	
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Previous member's name:		
Salutation: Mr.	First Name: David	Last Name: Dalke
Job Title: EHS	Contact Phone: 800-426-4968	
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov	Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Organization/Agency: IBM	LEPC Membership Category: FO IC	
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Previous member's name:		
Salutation: Ms.	First Name: Darcey	Last Name: Madsen
Job Title: EHS	Contact Phone: 512-394-4000	
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov	Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Organization/Agency: Magellan Pipeline	LEPC Membership Category: OTH	
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Previous member's name:		
Salutation: Mr.	First Name: Bryan	Last Name: Rupp
Job Title: EHS	Contact Phone: 512-385-0611	
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov	Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Organization/Agency: Matheson Gas	LEPC Membership Category: FO TR	
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Previous member's name:		

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Salutation: Mrs.			First Name: Susane			Last Name: Thorne		
Job Title: Emergency Coordinator						Contact Phone: 512-473-3200		
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov						Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Organization/Agency: LCRA						LEPC Membership Category: LE EM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No						Previous member's name:		
Salutation: Mr.			First Name: Thain			Last Name: Maurer		
Job Title: Investigator						Contact Phone: 512-974-2501		
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov						Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Organization/Agency: Austin Watershed Protection						LEPC Membership Category: LEG <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No						Previous member's name:		
Salutation: Mrs.			First Name: Jannet			Last Name: Pichette		
Job Title: Epidemiologist						Contact Phone: 512-972-5000		
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov						Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Organization/Agency: A/TC Health and Human Services						LEPC Membership Category: HE H <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No						Previous member's name:		
Salutation: Chief			First Name: Larry			Last Name: Jantzen		
Job Title: Battalion Chief						Contact Phone: 512-974-0130		
Contact Email: LEPC@AustinTexas.Gov						Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Organization/Agency: Austin Fire Department						LEPC Membership Category: FF E <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No						Previous member's name:		
Salutation:			First Name:			Last Name:		
Job Title:						Contact Phone:		
Contact Email:						Is this person a new member? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
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Organization/Agency:						LEPC Membership Category:		
Did this person replace a previous member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No						Previous member's name:		

## LEPC 2104 Membership Bio's

### **Preston Doege:**

Preston Doege is the Hazmat Coordinator for Travis County under the Office of Emergency Management. Preston is a Master Firefighter with over 11 years' experience in hazmat response and mitigation. Preston coordinates the statutory reporting submitted by industry to the LEPC and Austin Fire Department, and processes that information into useable products for county first responders. In his role, he works closely with the Austin Fire Department Special Operations Team and other regional hazmat response units to facilitate interoperability and equipment standardization. As the County Hazmat Coordinator, Preston responds to hazmat incidents within Travis County and within the CAPCOG region to assist with chemical classification and identification, ensure statutory reporting, facilitate cost recovery, and ensure proper mitigation of spilled materials. Preston also serves as an instructor for first responder hazmat technician training classes and other hazmat related training courses throughout the region. He is also involved in the yearly exercise planning and coordination for the regional hazmat response full scale exercises.

### **Karen Koenreich:**

Karen Koenreich, has 29 years' experience sales and marketing in the Petrochemical and Environmental Restoration Industry. Karen specialized in thermal reduction and the hazardous waste incineration market for over ten years. She has extensive experience servicing Petrochemical market with waste minimization programs, remediation systems and groundwater monitoring. Karen also managed two sales teams for an environmental laboratory in the Gulf Coast. Expertise in landfill operations, fuels blending, lab packing, storm water permitting and source testing. 40 Hr RCRA certified. Karen has many years' experience in the Emergency Response arena as well.

### **Susana Duarte Thorne:**

Susana Duarte Thorne is the Emergency Management Coordinator at LCRA. She has spent a decade as part of the Command Staff at the LCRA Public Safety Department preparing, preventing, responding, & recovering from daily disruptions to presidentially declared disasters. In addition to managing the public owned utility's all hazards program she is considered a subject matter expert in critical infrastructure protection. Susie is a proud third generation public safety professional & graduate of Texas A&M University. Having previously served at CAPCOG & the Office of the Governor under both George W. Bush & Rick Perry, she has almost 20 years experience in governmental relations, crisis communications, law enforcement training, criminally justice planning, & grants administration. She is an appointee to the CAPCOG Regional Homeland Security Task Force, State Hazard Mitigation Team, Capital Area Type III state deployable Incident Management Team, Capital Area Chapter InfraGard Board Member, and former board member of the Emergency Management Association of Texas.

### **Bryan M. Rupp:**

Bryan M. Rupp brings industry experience and qualifications in Industrial Distribution. His past experience as a permit officer for Contractors Cargo, Inc. enabled him to pursue through TXDOT, overweight, size, length and height restricted equipment permitted movement from the West Coast to the East Coast. While service as a District manager and current region manager for Hazardous Class material movement through Houston market and Central Texas, Bryan Rupp ensured his company(s)

followed the designated Hazardous Class material route. By adhering to inner company policies, he was ultimately responsible for maintaining the operational function for distribution and delivery points outside the HC routing by use of proprietary routing software.

**Thain Maurer, C.H.M.M:**

Thain Maurer is an Environmental Compliance Specialist Senior with the City of Austin Watershed Protection Department. Thain Maurer works as a spill responder and environmental investigator for the City of Austin's Watershed Protection Department, where he is the team lead for the department's Spills and Complaints Response Program. He has worked in the environmental and hazardous materials fields since 1997, and has worked for the City of Austin since 2006.

**Darcy Madsen:**

Darcy Madsen is a relative newcomer to the oil and gas industry. Having worked 4 years as the Compliance Coordinator for Magellan Midstream's Longhorn Line, she brings several years of audit experience and working with regulatory bodies. Darcy provides the Longhorn line's public outreach by organizing annual face-to-face meetings with emergency responders and county LEPC's along the line. She also teaches pipeline safety to children whose schools fall within a certain radius of the Longhorn line

**Bryan Hale:**

Bryan Hale has Bachelor of Science degrees in Chemistry and Geology from the University of Texas at Austin, as well as a Master of Science degree in Environmental Sciences from the University of Texas at Dallas. He is a native Austinite, and employed at SACHEM, Inc. in their corporate headquarters and R & D facility here in Austin. Bryan Hale has been at SACHEM for over 35 years. His current job title is Responsible Care® Coordinator. His responsibilities include all aspects of environmental, health, safety and security for SACHEM's Austin facilities and he also provides support for our Cleburne, Texas facility and our facilities in other parts of the world. Bryan Hale has previously served as a Travis County LEPC Stakeholder.

**David Dalke:**

David is a registered Professional Engineer (PE) and a Certified Safety Professional (CSP). He is currently the IBM Austin Environmental Affairs and Real Estate and Site Operations Project Manager. David has 25 years' experience in the environmental, health, and safety profession. He has led numerous projects for IBM related to emergency response, including actual response team management when IBM had Austin manufacturing operations. His current assignment involves managing a staff of 50+ professionals and contractors to implement IBM's environmental, shipping, receiving, and maintenance operations. He has been IBM's representative to the Travis County LEPC since returning to Austin in 1998.

**Susan Tyler:**

Susan Tyler is the Environmental Compliance Manager at Sun Coast Resources, a petroleum wholesaler that transports fuel to various customers throughout Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and surrounding states. Susan works for the Sun Coast Director of Safety and acts as the Safety Department

Representative in the Austin terminal. Susan has developed, reviewed and updated most of the 90+ environmental, health, and safety policies for Sun Coast. Prior to her tenure at Sun Coast, Susan co-founded and owned an Environmental Consulting firm specializing in Storm Water construction and industrial compliance. She has also acted as the Operations Manager for a Hazardous Materials and Emergency Response company in Central Texas, Environmental Compliance Specialist for the City of Austin Watershed Protection Department, and Operations Manager for a Environmental Consulting firm operating in 30 states and Canada. She has developed hundreds of Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans, conducted thousands of safety and environmental regulatory compliance audits, is a certified Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA)Trainer, CPR/First Aid/AED trainer through the American Heart Association, and is well versed in EHS regulatory requirements.

**Doug Bradford:**

Doug Bradford is a lifelong resident of central Texas and attended Texas A&M University in College Station. He has worked at the Samsung facility for over 8 years and manages the Environmental Department at Samsung (Air, Water, Waste and Chemical Compliance). He is a Registered Environmental Manager accredited by the National Registry of Environmental Professionals as well as a Certified Hazardous Materials Manager accredited by the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management. He also served on the Board of Keep Austin Beautiful for 3 years and is associated with the Alliance of Hazardous Materials Professionals. He believes that HazMat shipping and its impact in the community is of utmost importance.

**Larry Jantzen:**

Larry Jantzen has over 28 years of experience in the fire service and is currently the Battalion Chief of the Austin Fire Department's Office of Special Operations and Homeland Security. Chief Jantzen has an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Fire Protection Technology and holds the following significant certifications: Master Exercise Practitioner (MEP), Professional Continuity Practitioner, Fire Officer IV, Fire Service Instructor III Master, Firefighter Master, HazMat Technician, Fire Inspector Basic, TCFP Field Examiner, EMT-B.

**Janet Pichette:**

Janet Pichette is the Chief Epidemiologist with the Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department. Janet also serves as the Manager for the Epidemiology and Health Statistics Unit, which includes the Epidemiology, Disease Surveillance, and Emergency Preparedness Programs and the Office of Vital Records. She received her B.S. degree in Health Education from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, a M.S. in Health Research focusing on epidemiology from Texas State University, and a Public Health Informatics Certificate from the University of Texas at Austin. Janet has 30 years of public health experience. Prior to joining the City of Austin, Janet worked as an epidemiologist for the State of Texas for 18 years including the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and the Texas Department of Health (TDH). Her work focused on health studies and disease surveillance activities defining the epidemiology of occupational diseases, cancer, respiratory diseases and other environmental health problems, toxicology and risk assessment, policy development, and strategic planning.