

FRMAC STATE CALL
January 27, 2021

FRMAC WORKING GROUP UPDATES

- Jeremy Gwin, Chair for Monitoring & Sampling Working Group presented updates (see slide presentation).
 - Reiterated information on slides
 - Contact information for the Monitoring Working Group is Jeremy Gwin, gwinjs@nv.doe.gov.
 - No further discussion

- Brian Hunt Chair for the Assessment Working Group updates (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides
 - Contact information for the Assessment Working Group: Brian Hunt, bhunt@sandia.gov
 - Access to data on nirp.sandia.gov – If you don't have account, there's a registration process. Must fill out forms to get access within a couple of days.
 - If interested in AS-100 online course in March 2021, contact Tom Laiche at tlaich@sandia.gov to sign up. Course will be 3-4-hour sessions, Tuesday and Thursday morning for 3 consecutive weeks. Limiting it to 50 people to have options for interactions and questions and answers. If more than that apply will look into adding a second session.

- Sean Fournier Chair for the Lab Analysis Working Group updates (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides
 - Sean requested that if anyone from the State that uses the sample control form and has not converted to Rad Responder, please reach out to him to discuss the changes they are proposing to make. Also, if interested in seeing the form that will be rolled out feel free to reach out to Sean.
 - Contact information for the Laboratory Analysis Working Group: Sean Fournier, sdfourn@sandia.gov

- Rajah Mena, Chair for Health and Safety Working Group presented updates (no slides)
 - Working on a NIRT project to start implementing the recommendations from the MCRP 179 document and having a place to coordinate all the Health and Safety documents to manage dosimetry on a larger scale.
 - Upcoming exercise CM 2022 will hopefully be testing a lot more of the Health and Safety concepts holistically.
 - Contact information for the H&S WG: menarm@nv.doe.gov
 - No further discussion

- Conrad Gilbert– RAP updates (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides
 - About Conrad's comment on seeking out opportunities to join people and use their equipment to help with various situations, he was asked if they can travel to provide this support and his answer was yes.

- Alvin Morris, Exercise Updates (no slides)
 - Exercise schedule for this year impacted by COVID. The usual exercises not scheduled for this year and pushed back. Continuing to work out plans with our partners. Stay tuned for more information.
 - No further discussion

- Orly Amir and Eric Becker, National Urban Security Technology Laboratory, presented Documenting COVID-19 Lessons for Radiological/Nuclear Preparedness R&D, planning, Response and Policy (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides
 - If any questions contact Orly Amir and Eric Becker: Orly.amir@hq.dhs.gov and eric.m.becker@pnnl.gov
 - No further discussion

- James Blaze presented RadResponder updates (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides
 - Support emails: support@radresponder.net, support@chemresponder.net, support@cbrnresponder.net
 - Websites: <https://www.radresponder.net>, <https://www.chemresponder.net>, <https://www.cbrnresponder.net>
 - No further discussion

- Michelle Anderson-Moore, NREP Conference Updates (no slides)
 - Did not have NREP last year and will not have it this year.
 - Planning to have NREP 2022 in Nashville. Are putting out bids for the event space now.
 - Do not plan on ever doing NREP virtually because getting everyone together on a level playing ground and sharing information in person is what NREP is all about. Would like everyone to continue to prepare and plan to attend in person.
 - A handful of openings available on their committee. Information on the openings can be found on their website. If interested, send Michelle an email of interest and she will tell you what you need to apply.
 - In great need of sponsors. If you know anyone that would like to be a sponsor, let them know.
 - Contact information for Michelle Anderson-Moore, Michelle.Anderson-Moore@doh.wa.gov
 - No further discussion

- Ruth McBurney and Ken Evans presented for CRCPD (no slides)
 - Were not able to do their annual Radiation Control conference last year. This year it will be held virtually the week of May 17-20, 2021. One day will be dedicated to presentations on Homeland Security and Emergency Response including a panel of the Washington incident, CDC hazards scale, presentations on RAD Responder and Emergency Preparedness.
 - Will have several side events, demonstration and training on population monitoring through the estimation tool that CDC has developed, ROSS training (full day). Discussion on anticipated public questions during a recovery phase.

Will get the full schedule out as soon as they can. There is room for more virtual posters and set out some time for discussion with the presenters.

- Established that their 2022 National conference on Radiation control will be May 16-19, 2022 in Tucson.
- Ken Evans for CRCPD (no slides)
 - Engaged with Federal partners, FEMA and NRC, meetings and webinars, and still have question about the exemption process. If any questions on this, contact Ken Evans.
 - Have done a couple of surveys in the last few years, one on radiological capabilities of the red states and another one on the implementation of the new EPA Pegs. With a lot of the changes that happened, they thought it would be good to update the surveys. Goal is to get a survey out in the late spring or early summer.
- Bill Irwin for CRCPD ROSS update (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides
 - Contact information for ROSS: Bill Irwin, william.irwin@vermont.gov
 - No further discussion
- Alvin Morris State/Federal Agency Updates (no slides)
 - Michael Howe FEMA, On Wednesdays at 1:00pm EDT they are doing a series of brown bag presentations. The subject for this week's session is REPP National Public Informational Map Application. Next week is on REP Policy. <https://meet654831294.adobeconnect.com/recoveryinitiativebrownbag/>
 - Kathryn Sneed EPA, have been working on a long term monitoring plan template in conjunction with FRMAC. Developed a draft that they've been reviewing internally. Look for that in the future.
 - Jay Hyland, The Province of New Brunswick Canada is holding a full-scale nuclear emergency response exercise called Exercise Synergy Challenge 2021 at the Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station in partnership with the New Brunswick Emergency Measures Organization. NB Power has contracted with Calian to support the coordination of this exercise. The initial planning conference call will be held on February 10th (registration is required by February 8th). The conference will be held virtually. If anyone in your organization would be interested please contact Alicia Armitage by email at a.armitage@calian.com
 - No further discussion
- Alvin Morris stated that the slide presentations will be sent out to participants on the http://nns.gov/pages/programs/FRMAC/FRMAC_Outreach.html page.
- Next call on July 28, 2021