

**State All Hazards Advisory Committee (SAHAC)
State Emergency Operations Center
9195 East Mineral Avenue
Centennial, CO 80112**

MINUTES – March 11, 2011

Call to order and opening comments

Mike Gavin, Chairperson, brought the meeting to order at 9:00am.

Determination of quorum/voting members

15 Voting members present or on the phone. Quorum established.

On the phone: Patty Baxter, Steve Enfante, Dan Alexander, Tobi Blanchard, Joe Bruce, Aaron Kissler, Bill Cordova, Jody Erwin.

Approval of January 2011 SAHAC minutes

Steve Boand made a motion to approve the January 2011 SAHAC meeting minutes. Jim Lancy seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Standing Reports

Homeland Security / SAC Update – Mike Wagner

Continuing to work on the transition process. Mike provided an update on the timeline for everyone to provide feedback to transition members who will then review all comments and create workgroups as needed. Report due to directors on April 15. Mike also reported that they are still waiting for grant guidance and should anticipate a quick turn around of about 30 days.

Colorado DEM Update – Bruce Holloman

EM Academy continues and will wrap up in July. Bruce is working on a core competencies project which will be incorporated into a national emergency management academy of which Colorado has volunteered to be a beta site. Academy information will be released next summer. DEM is working on EOC task books. General Staff books are near completion. Bruce also briefed the group on the transition issues.

CIAC Update –

No CIAC representative was present but a handout with information was provided:

- The CIAC held the Terrorism Liaison Officer Quarterly Training on Wednesday 9 March. Michele Lefkowitz from the Anti-Defamation League provided training to attendees on the white supremacist, Neo-Nazi and Anti-Government movements,

- including the beliefs, ideologies, and actions of these groups.
- CIAC personnel are producing regional threat assessments for each of the nine all hazards regions in Colorado. If you do not know who is producing the threat assessment for your area, please contact Sarah Rechlitz at 303-239-4324.
 - The fourth Annual Terrorism Liaison Officer Conference will be held June 1, 2011 at the Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center from 7am- 5pm. An agenda for the conference will be available in April.
 - The CIAC 2010 Annual Report was disseminated on Monday March 7. If you did not receive a copy and would like one, please contact Sarah Rechlitz at 303-239-4324. Among other information, the give 2010 statistics for cases reported to the CIAC, reporting by region, and critical infrastructure information provided by the Rubicon Team.
 - The Grand Junction TLO conference in May is still open to anyone interested in attending. Please use Co-Train to sign up or call Sarah Rechlitz with any questions or concerns. There is currently a waiting list for the September TLO course in Denver. Participants in the course will be determined two months prior to the course start date.

Committee Reports

Special Needs Committee – Patty Baxter

A Special Needs workshop is being designed. Lori Hodges has the lead on this.

Presentation: Youth Emergency and Disaster Camp – Mary Jean Ershen

Mary Jean provided the group with an overview of the upcoming youth disaster camp which will be held in Eagle for the week of July 18-22.. The camp is designed to provide leadership and confidence skills in teenagers 13-18 years old. Visit www.citizenpreparedness.org for more information on the camp.

Old Business

SAHAC Position Paper:

Review and discussion of the SAHAC position paper regarding changes to emergency management and homeland security in Colorado. Three minor changes were made to the paper by Steve Boand, Kathleen Krebs and Howard Paul. Jim Lancy made a motion to approve the paper with suggested changes. Joel Cochran seconded the motion.

Discussion: Joe Bruce representing the Fire Chiefs Association requested that it be noted the Fire Chiefs Association does not concur with the content of the position paper as there is still question as to whether DEM should remain within DOLA. After discussion, a vote was taken to approve the position paper. Fourteen (14) members voted yes. One (1) member voted no. There were thirteen (13) voting members not present for the vote.

Yes votes: West region rep, Joel Cochran, Chris Sorensen, Patty Baxter, Steve Enfante, Kathleen Krebs, Bill Cordova, Jeff Babcock, Tobi Blanchard, Steve Boand, Jim Lancy, Tom Butts, Howard Paul, Aaron Kissler.

No votes: Joe Bruce

New Business:

Changes to the voting membership:

West Region - Ike Holland will be the primary voting member for the West Region and Alan Staele will be the alternate voting member.

North Central Region – Kathleen Krebs will be the primary voting member and Fran Santagata will be the alternate.

SAHAC now has a website – www.coloradosahac.org

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson, Mike Gavin, at 11:15 am.

Next meeting May 13, 2011 at 9am at CDEM