



**Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee (REPAC) Meeting  
NCTCOG, Transportation Council Room  
February 21, 2019 / 9:30 a.m.**

**Meeting Notes**

**Opening Remarks/EPPC Update**

Chairs

**Rollcall**

NCTCOG Staff

**Approval of Notes from Last Meeting**

Committee Members

- **USAR Project Change Request** - The USAR Working Group requested \$2,000 existing funds in their current grant to be moved to create a line to fund the Rhodium project. The \$2,000 would allow for the project to remain active at the regional level. Although, \$2,000 is below the threshold to request REPAC approval, the Chairs and staff felt it was necessary to bring the item to REPAC for approval because the project was not funded last year due to lack of funds. The item was discussed during the meeting and was not approved for funding. The committee felt it was best to search for other tools that are more sustainable and have a more regional focus.
- **Interim Vice Chair Nominations** - The Committee opened the floor for nominations for the REPAC Interim Vice Chair position. Irish Hancock, Emergency Management Administrator, City of Arlington, was approved as Interim Vice Chair and will serve in the seat until the official nominations occur in August. Irish's alternate, TJ Manor, will serve as the Arlington UASI seat on REPAC. During the August REPAC meeting, we will open the floor for the Vice Chair seat and officially approve David McCurdy, Tarrant County EMC, as the Chair.
- **T&E Update** - NCTCOG Staff provided a Training and Exercise Update to the Committee and discussed upcoming Training and Exercise events as well as AAR items from previous exercises. An overview of upcoming exercises may be found in the slides.
- **USAR Working Group Update** - J.R. Jones, USAR Working Group Chair, provided a USAR Working Group update and discussed upcoming trainings as well as previous ones. He showed a video that was done by Hilti highlighting the trainings conducted in our region. Let me know if you would like the link to the short video.
- **Wildland Fire Working Group Update** - Brandon Woodward, WLF Working Group Co-Chair, provided an update on current WLF activities such as their partnership with other Working Groups in the region and their recent deployments to California to assist with the WLF response.
- **FY 19 SHSP Update** - NCTCOG Staff provided an FY 19 SHSP update. All of the projects must be submitted and certified by, February 28<sup>th</sup>, COB. The FY 19 SHSP Project amounts will be reviewed and approved during next week's EPPC meeting on March 7<sup>th</sup>. These are open meetings and REPAC is welcome to attend.

- **THIRA Project Update** - Justin Cox, City of Fort Worth, gave a THIRA project update and reviewed this last year's process as well as the hazards that were listed in the THIRA. Round two of the THIRA updates will begin this summer so please stand by for more information.
  - We received our Regional Implementation Plan (RIP) score and feedback from DPS; we received 13 out of 15 points possible and exceeded the state average of 12.79 points. We also improved from last year's score of 11 out of 15.
  - UASI-associated COGs were only scored on their Implementation Plans due to the new THIRA and SPR methodology required by FEMA, but comments were provided on their THIRA and SPR submissions.

**Upcoming:**

Please join us for the **REPAC After Action Review Meeting** on Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 – 11:30 AM in the Metroplex Conference Room at the NCTCOG. The calendar invite has already been sent. The REPAC AAR meeting is one of the most important meetings of the year because any changes identified in the meeting will be taken before REPAC as a whole for review and vote as things to change to next year's process. We value your input and feedback and always want to improve our processes.

**Next REPAC Meeting**  
**Tuesday May 7, 2019**

**Resources**

REPAC website: [www.nctcog.org/ep/REPAC](http://www.nctcog.org/ep/REPAC)  
 SHSP website: [www.nctcog.org/ep/SHSP](http://www.nctcog.org/ep/SHSP)  
 EPPC website: [www.nctcog.org/ep/EPPC](http://www.nctcog.org/ep/EPPC)  
 Regional Calendar: [www.nctcog.org/ep/calendar.asp](http://www.nctcog.org/ep/calendar.asp)

**Committee/Public Comment**

**Upcoming Events:**

Emergency Preparedness Planning Council (EPPC) Meeting	March 7, 2019
Texas Emergency Managers Conference (TEMC)	April 15-18, 2019
Homeland Security Conference (HS Conference)	June 17-20, 2019
REPAC AAR	March 26, 2019