

Broome County
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
LEPC MEETING AGENDA
10/16/2025

- Introduction of guests/new members
- Approval of minutes 8/21/2025
- New Email Address to contact LEPC: broomelepc@broomecountyny.gov
- Correspondence /Announcements

Old Business

1) Drills and Training Schedule 2025 – Updates and New Events

- *Asset Distribution Exercise – Health Dept/Emergency Services – **Date?***

2) Committee Updates:

- **Health, Human and Animal Needs** – Meeting held on 9/18/2025 – Michael Bender – *Minutes?*
- **Drill Planning Committee** – After Action Report – any updates?

New Business

3) 2025 LEPC PLANS for Committees:

- **Public Safety**
- Health, Human, and Animal Needs
- **Infrastructure**
- Training/Exercises – Drills

4) Federal Government Shut-down: Effect on Services

- a. **Department of Homeland Security** – Small staff working?
- b. **EPA** – Employees on Furlough as of October 10
- c. **DOT – Continuing:**
 - Hazardous materials accident investigations
 - Inspections of hazmat shipper, carrier, and testing facilities (and others)
 - Hazmat approvals and permits (Emergencies only)
 - Payment of emergency preparedness grants
 - Enforcement of the HMR, as necessary to address imminent hazards to life and property

DOT has stopped these activities as of October 1:

- Development of hazmat standards and rules
- Non-emergency hazmat approvals and permits
- Hazmat outreach and training grants
- The hazmat registration program and fee collections
- Certain hazardous materials grants for emergency responders and localities

- d. **OSHA:** DOL is currently operating under a contingency plan which specifies the “essential” functions of OSHA that will be maintained during a shutdown. The plan limits OSHA enforcement to the following activities:
 - Inspection of imminent danger situations;
 - Inspection of workplace fatalities and catastrophes;
 - Review of whistleblower complaints and subsequent referrals to an appropriate agency of any complaint that identifies a workplace or public safety and/or health condition that poses, or if not referred or acted upon, is reasonably likely

to pose, an imminent threat to the safety of human life or the protection of property;

- Follow-up inspections of establishments with high-gravity, serious violations and no abatement; and
- Enforcement activities on open cases needed to meet the Agency's six-month statutory deadline to issue citations where those cases establish employees are potentially exposed to hazardous conditions that present a high risk of death or serious physical harm.

All other non-essential operations, including ongoing rulemaking activities, cooperative programs, and other OSHA agency functions, will cease for the duration of the shutdown.

- 5) **Upcoming Presentation – EPA to discuss LEPC requirements under the Risk Management Plan Regulations:** Scheduled for December 18, 2025 meeting instead of October due to Government Shut-down

Next Meeting December 18, 2025 at Public Safety Facility (and Virtual)

Committee Meetings: November 20, 2025 - Health, Human and Animal Needs