

North Central Texas Council of Governments • Emergency Preparedness Department

Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee (REPAC) Meeting Transportation Council Room May 4, 2023 / 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Notes

Opening Remarks Chairs

Roll Call NCTCOG Staff

Quorum was met to vote.

Approval of Meeting Notes for November 2022 and February 2023

Committee Members

• Motion: Sean Hughes made a motion to approve the November 2022, and February 2023 REPAC meeting notes, Steve Howie 2nd the motion. The motion carried.

Business Item

- Removal of the Wildland Fire working group from being an active member of REPAC Working Groups
- <u>Motion</u>: Randy Renois made a motion to remove the Wildland Fire working group from REPAC, Sean Hughes 2nd the motion. The motion carried.
- Approval of New Scoring Process, Criteria, and Priorities
 - Cody gave an AAR update which led to the vote of removing prior scoring criteria to a new ranking process.
 - Discussion should working groups only submit 1 project instead of 2.
 - The recommendation is 5 minutes per project, maximum 2 projects per working group, 10 minutes total
 - Discussion priority, scoring and funding.
 - Discussion Ranking vs. Scoring Criteria. Need some criteria for evaluation. Possibly moving to a ranking system.
 - o Marcie described FEMA's scoring criteria.
 - Regional Scope Yes/No
 - o Terrorism Yes/No
 - This year the goal is to have a sample score, a packet with information for the COG portal, and a
 presentation to review and pre-rank. You can expect this information 7 days prior to scoring.
- <u>Motion</u>: Jamie Moore made a motion to approve the new scoring process, criteria, and priorities, Chase Wheeler 2nd the motion. The motion carried.

Discussion Items

- New REPAC Rotation Process
 - o 2023 EOD, Fusion, T&E, and UAS will be added
 - o 2024 PubEd, CCP will be added, and 1 Interop seat will be removed and rotating off
 - o 2025 Hazmat, USAR, SWAT and EGRT will be added
 - Nominations are accepted until June 30, 2023. Nominations will be accepted and voted on at the August 3, 2023, REPAC meeting.
 - Discussion SME seats, REPAC Handbook update, and Grant Guidance, working groups participation.
 - o REPAC Chairs will work with COG staff on the REPAC Handbook. Will provide an update at the next REPAC meeting.
- Grant Dashboard & Project Update
 - EPPC and REPAC Chairs will be able to see all information on the Grant Dashboard. Working Group Chairs will only be able to see their projects. Grant Dashboard was presented.

- GY24 Timeline
 - August COG staff will meet with working groups to determine projects for GY24.
 - COG staff will be hosting a Project Assistance Workshop.
 - Working Groups will be responsible for writing their projects.
 - October 13th All projects are due in the COG Portal.
 - October 20th PowerPoint presentations are due to COG.
 - November 1st REPAC Scoring Meeting.
 - November 15th EPPC Funding Meeting.
 - End of November Release priority and funding allocations to the region as recommended by EPPC Funding Sub-committee. If something changes dramatically, EPPC Funding Sub-committee will meet again in January to go back over the funding.
 - February REPAC meeting for final discussion. All projects will be in egrants by February 8th.
- Solar Eclipse Planning Discussion
 - Maribel provided a brief update on the Solar Eclipse.
- Legislative Update
 - o Discussion SB1104.
 - o Discussion School legislature.
 - o Discussion Drought declaration.
 - o Cody to send out an update to SB 1104.

Upcoming Events

EPPC Meeting
Texas Emergency Management Conference – Fort Worth
National Homeland Security Conference – Chicago

May 18, 2023 May 30 – June 2, 2023 July 24 - 27, 2023

NCTCOG Updates

- 24 Hr POC updates
- Resource Directory updates
- Upcoming trainings
- EP staff changes

Committee/Public Comment

- CCP clarification
- TDEM conference updates

Adjournment

Useful Links

Regional Emergency Management Portal Upcoming Regional Training & Exercises Upcoming Meeting Calendar

Next Meeting:

August 3, 2023 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM NCTCOG Transportation Council Room