



CUSTER COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

April 15, 2026

Custer County LEPC met in regular session at the Custer County EOC, 1605 N Airport Rd., Weatherford, OK. The meeting was called to order by Hardy Sperle, LEPC Chairman at 10:00 a.m. Sign in sheets were placed at the entrance to the meeting for all to sign.

Mr. Sperle stated that the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) update for Custer County is completed. A digital copy was sent out in January, 2026. If your department hasn't received its copy, please email Mr. Sperle and he will make sure one is provided.

Mr. Sperle stated that one of the Custer County Emergency Management projects that he wishes to work on will be a county wide storm shelter registration. Most municipalities have their own registration process and this will cover the rural areas.

Sandy Settle, ODSH is retiring, but he is currently out on medical leave and his official retirement date is April 30, 2026. Madolyn Phillips introduced herself as Sandy's replacement. She formerly worked as a Health Inspector for the Health Department. Please contact the Custer County Health Department in Clinton for her contact information.

Mr. Sperle asked for any training upcoming and asked that any future training could be emailed to him. Training that he is aware of: ITEMC is June 30 – July 2, 2026; Oklahoma Homeland Security COML training is July 23-24, 2026; FEMA has Public Information training is April 20-30, 2026 and possibly again in June.

Matt Wormus, with Oklahoma DEQ was a guest speaker. Mr. Wormus presented a slide show and spoke about EPCRA (Emergency Planning & Community Right to Know Act of 1986) and LEPC Best Practices. DEQ accepts Tier II reporting, spill reports for the LEPC. States may determine LEPC areas. Oklahoma has designated LEPC to be done by each of the 77 counties. Tier II is the report by entities that handle or store at minimum 10,000 pounds of extreme hazard materials. Oklahoma DEQ receives between 45,000 and 50,000 reports annually, second only to Texas. Mr. Wormus reiterated that LEPC follows the Open Meetings Act.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Hardy Sperle LEPC Chair

The meeting dates for 2026 are as follows: January 14th(special), April 15th, July 15th, and October 21st. If you cannot attend, please send a representative.