




**Smith County
LEPC
Local Emergency
Planning Committee**



11937


Meeting Agenda

- I. Call to order
- II. Introductions
- III. LEPC Presentation
 - a. Hazard Mitigation Plan
 - b. Cold Weather Plan update, City of Tyler
 - i. <https://www.cityoftyler.org/government/departments/fire-department/emergency-management/cold-weather-response-plan>
 - ii. www.smith-county.com/government/departments/emergency-management
 - c. Judge Dunklin, Smith County Justice of the Peace, Court 2
 - d. Andrew Bouge, Clinical Manager, Southwest Transplant Alliance
- IV. Begin Tabletop Exercise, Total Solar Eclipse 2024
- V. Upcoming Full-Scale Exercise Ideas and Planning Information
 - a. CORE – County Operational Readiness Exercise
 - i. Scenario Title: Firestorm North
 - ii. Background:
 1. A severe wildfire scenario unfolds as a result of a motorist dragging trailer chains down a County Road during severe fire danger conditions in Cherokee County. A separate fire is started by a burn pile in a remote wooded area, further fueled by dry vegetation and



propelled by strong winds. The situation quickly escalates, demanding a coordinated response to prevent further destruction.

iii. Overview:

1. The fire, named "Firestorm North," originates in Cherokee County and swiftly moves north towards Smith County. Local firefighting teams respond promptly, but the intensity of the blaze overwhelms their initial efforts. With the fire breaching county lines, Cherokee County seeks mutual aid from neighboring areas, particularly focusing on the need for significant assistance from Smith County.
 2. This Full-Scale Exercise will simulate the entire emergency response process, from the initial discovery of the fire to the collaboration between counties, evacuation procedures, and the deployment of firefighting forces. The objective is to assess the effectiveness of communication, coordination, and resource allocation in managing a large-scale wildfire incident that threatens to impact multiple communities.
 3. Tentative dates moving forward:
 - a. June LEPC – Continuation/Discussion of planning
 - b. Oct LEPC – Tabletop
 - c. Feb LEPC - Exercise
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VI. Adjournment

a. Adjourned at

b. Submitted by: Brandon Moore

