

Kansas Hazard Mitigation Team Meeting (KHMT)

Minutes

Date of Meeting: September 26, 2017

Attendees: Sign in Sheet attached

Introductions: Tom Morey, KHMT Chairperson opened the meeting with introductions. Attendees introduced themselves around the meeting room.

NWS - (Chad Omitt) – Chad started off with a presentation on Hurricane paths, reasoning for magnitude and intensity. Spoke briefly on the affects hurricanes can have in Kansas. Most Eastern Pacific hurricanes bring moisture into Kansas. Weather cycle has not fully developed into LA Nina but looks to be going that way. Look for the cold snaps in our area to come from where and whenever the polar vortex shows itself.

KDA/DWR – (Tom Morey) 1st week of September was the Kansas Association of Floodplain Managers (KAFM) conference, next conference will be around the same time in downtown Wichita 2018. Two months remaining for call of abstracts for conference if you would like to submit one. Many current mapping projects are ongoing and rounds of new project areas are starting this fall. The BFE Portal Flyer is attached and had the requested link in its context.

USACE – Mitch Roberts provided updates to the team for ongoing silver jackets projects in the state:

- Pottawatomie County Floodplain Management Plan and Flood Forecast Inundation Mapping project (extension of inundation mapping on Big Blue River and down the Kansas River – Kenny Wade is PM
- Florence, KS Nonstructural Assessment and H&H project – completed the land survey of the lowest adjacent grade and first floor elevations for all structures in potential floodplain. Report to be drafted, H&H work to be completed for interior and exterior modeling of levee.
- Osawatomie Levee Safety Tabletop exercise was completed on 30 August. Great turnout and successful event. FEMA and KDA continue to work with City on risk communication efforts.

Mitch noted the Levee Safety Interagency proposals that had been submitted, and the results of selection:

- Salina LS proposal selected and funded for FY18
- Manhattan LS proposal selected and funded for FY18
- Topeka LS proposal not selected for FY18

The Levee Safety interagency proposal opportunity ended in August. Should be hearing back from June proposals soon.

Three Interagency, Nonstructural Silver Jacket project proposals were submitted:

- High water marks for over 40+ Communities
- Identification of common, recurring nuisance flooding in streets/yards/homes.
- Update RL database

Order 13690 was rescinded so Order 11988 is current again.

Hazard Mitigation Project / Planning Updates – Jake Gray gave an update on the open application periods for current disaster. LOI's for DR-4319 have been received and will be getting with a corps group of the KHMT to review and approve for further funding. Updated team on ongoing disaster declaration funds (current disaster relief funds are on hold), projects moving forward, and current issues with applications. Jeanne gave presentation on the state plan update review process, what is too expected of us and what needs to get accomplished. Guides and action items were handed out. Next meeting we will be going through all the hazards to review and update.

New and Unfinished Business

Set Up 2018 Meeting dates

Still do not have a meeting site for the December meeting will send out once it's booked.

December 13, 2017

March 20, 2018

May 30, 2018

September 18, 2018

December 11 or 18, 2018 (Choose at next meeting)