

Local Emergency Planning Committee

Timothy Fine – Chair  
Gail Staffanson – Co-Chair  
Heather Lunistra - Secretary

## Agenda

Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ Community Service Building  
1201 West Holly  
11:30 am meeting

**Call to order** – *Tim Fine*

**Review the Agenda** – *Tim Fine*

- Corrections or additions to the Agenda

**Introductions & Visitors** - if any

**Review of Minutes** -

- Attached for review

**Old Business** -

- Reverse 9-1-1 (Sheriff John Dynneson)

**New Business – Agency Education**

- Julie Brodhead, Richland County Health

**Training & Exercises** -

- **Exercises**

National EAS Test

September 27, 2017 12:20 MDT :

The 2017 nationwide EAS test will assess the reliability and effectiveness of the EAS, with a particular emphasis on testing FEMA's Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS), the integrated gateway through which common alerting protocol-based (CAP-based) EAS alerts are disseminated to EAS Participants. The test message will clearly state that the alert is only a test of the EAS. FEMA's alert will be transmitted in English and Spanish and include both audio and the text of the test message, which can be used to populate an accessible video crawl. The primary test date is scheduled for September 27, 2017, at 2:20 PM EDT. If conditions on the day of the test require the rescheduling of the test, a secondary test date is scheduled for October 4, 2017. All EAS Participants are required to participate in this nationwide test.

Full Public Notice and details:

[http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily\\_Releases/Daily\\_Business/2017/db0724/DA-17-708A1.pdf](http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2017/db0724/DA-17-708A1.pdf)

Also, note that as was the case with the other national tests, National Weather Services Offices will NOT convey the test message over NOAA Weather Radio or any other NWS dissemination pathways.

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National Weather Service Billings, MT  
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Great Montana Shakeout Earthquake exercise  
October 19, 2017 10:19  
Venues all over the State  
POC- Ed Greiberis 406-324-4780 or [egreiberis@mt.gov](mailto:egreiberis@mt.gov)

## **Membership Updates & Reports -**

### **Adjourn -**

Meeting adjourned; next meeting date: Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. (Water Source Protection)