



Minutes

INDUSTRIAL SAFETY ORDINANCE/ COMMUNITY WARNING SYSTEM AD HOC COMMITTEE

May 30, 2024
9:30 AM

Meeting Minutes:

1. Roll Call and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

Committee Chair Supervisor John Gioia and Committee Vice Chair Federal Glover were present.

2. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to two minutes).

Public Comment: No public comments were received.

3. APPROVE meeting minutes from February 22, 2024 ISO/CWS Ad Hoc Committee Meeting.

The meeting minutes were approved by both committee members.

Public Comment: No public comments were received.

4. RECEIVE a status report regarding proposed modifications to the Contra Costa County Hazardous Materials Incident Notification Policy for Level 1 incident notifications to the public and PROVIDE direction as necessary.

A presentation was provided by Adam Springer, Assistant Director of Hazardous Materials Programs for Contra Costa Health. The committee asked several questions of both Contra Costa Health and Office of the Sheriff – Office of Emergency Services (Community Warning System Administrator) staff.

Public comment: Five (5) public comments were received.

The committee directed staff to implement the proposed changes by December 31, 2024. In addition, the committee asked that staff return with a redline strike-out format of the County's Hazardous Materials Notification Policy Direction at a future meeting.

5. RECEIVE a status report regarding the independent incident investigation into the February 9, 2021 Wharf Oil Spill at the Chevron Richmond Refinery and PROVIDE direction as necessary.

The committee received a presentation from AcuTech – contractor that performed the incident investigation.

Public comment: Three (3) public comments were received.

Contra Costa Health staff will work with the City of Richmond to make a presentation of the incident investigation findings to the City of Richmond Council.

6. RECEIVE Safety Culture Assessment (SCA) presentations from P66 Refinery, Martinez Refining Company and Chevron Richmond Refinery and PROVIDE direction as necessary.

The committee received presentations from P66 Refinery, Martinez Refining Company, and Chevron Richmond Refinery regarding recent safety culture assessments at the respective facilities.

Public comment:

Five (5) public comments were received.

The committee requested that Contra Costa Health staff prepare a memo breaking down survey participation by facility. The committee requested a presentation regarding the contents of the memo at the next ISO/CWS Ad Hoc Committee meeting.

7. RECEIVE an update from the Oversight Committee regarding the investigation into the spent catalyst release that occurred on November 24-25, 2022 at the Martinez Refining Company and PROVIDE direction as necessary.

Nicole Heath, Director of Hazardous Materials Programs presented the agenda item. The 45-day public comment period on the root cause incident investigation report is has opened. A public meeting was held on April 20, 2024 to receive comments from the community. Due to a number of factors, the Martinez Refining Company Oversight Committee voted to extend the public comment period to June 3, 2024. Due to several questions from the community, Contra Costa Health has posted information regarding mechanical integrity of the slide valves at the Martinez Refining Company.

Public comment:

No public comments were received.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 AM.

The following agenda items were continued to the next committee meeting:

8. RECEIVE a report regarding potential revisions to the Industrial Safety Ordinance and PROVIDE direction as necessary.

9. RECEIVE an update regarding the Hazardous Materials Programs proposed organizational structure and associated fee study and PROVIDE direction as necessary.