



## Pinal County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

The Pinal County LEPC is inviting the public, local businesses, communities, private citizens and government agencies and their employee's to attend our quarterly meetings on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday after the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday in the months of February, May, August, and November.

Our next meeting is on **August 4, 2011 at 2:00pm**, at **31 N. Pinal Street, Florence**, in the Pinal County Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

### What Is the Pinal County LEPC?

The Pinal County LEPC is one of the 15 state LEPCs that is overseen by the Arizona State Emergency Response Commission (AZSERC), which is tasked with the implementation of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA) in Arizona. Our LEPCs play the critical role of providing information of existing chemical hazards within the county in order for everyone to be better prepared to understand, manage, and respond to these potential hazards. The LEPC does this by forming partnerships between responders, local governments, communities, businesses, media, academia, and the public.

### What Does the LEPC Do?

1. Encourages **PREVENTION** by providing public information on the causes of hazardous material accidents.
2. Encourages **PREPAREDNESS** through the development of Emergency Response Plans by entities handling, manufacturing, storing, transporting or disposing of hazardous materials.
3. Encourages **PLANNING** for emergencies by making training available to first responders, businesses, and members of the LEPC.

### Who Are LEPC Members?

- Public/Community Groups
- Elected Local Officials
- Emergency Management
- Law Enforcement
- Public Health
- Fire Service/HAZMAT/EMS
- Environmental Health
- Local Environmental
- Broadcast and Print Media
- Owners & Operator of Facilities subject to EPCRA Requirements

### *The Pinal County LEPC Mission Statement*

***“To coordinate the public and private responses that may be required/requested to minimize the impact of hazardous materials (HAZMAT) accidents/incidents on health, safety, property and the environment; and to minimize the exposure of the populace to an accidental release of HAZMAT through the establishment of effective warning, evacuation, sheltering, decontamination, and recovery procedures”***

### Questions?

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