To: Council Members
From: Staff
Date: June 17, 2016 Council Meeting
Subject: Treasure Coast Local Emergency Planning Committee Update

Introduction

The Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council is asked to enter into agreements with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) and the region’s counties to conduct special projects, continue reoccurring agreements, provide technical assistance, and develop new planning and training initiatives for emergency preparedness. Council’s emergency preparedness program spans several subject matter areas where planning, training, and exercises are engaged to better prepare the region’s communities to mitigate and respond to disasters and the impacts that follow.

The program backbone is the District 10 Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), one of ten in the State of Florida. The LEPC is a subcommittee to Council guided by the Florida State Emergency Response Commission. The LEPC is supported through an annual agreement with the FDEM to provide ongoing technical assistance to the region regarding the 1986 Emergency Preparedness Community Right-To-Know Act for hazardous materials. The majority of Council’s emergency preparedness program activities engage the LEPC membership through planning, training, and exercises. The LEPC is complemented by several programs and projects.

Council staff will provide an overview of the program at the meeting. The presentation is intended to brief Council members of the following program areas and projects that have been completed and are currently managed for the 2016-2017 period:

- Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Program
- Regional and Local Hazards Analyses
- Regional Evacuation Study Volume and Data Updates
- State Homeland Security Grant Program – Regional Full-scale Exercise
- Local Mitigation Strategy
- Local Emergency Planning Committee
- Small Quantity Waste Generator Program

Recommendation

For information only.