



## South Corridor Minutes

May 23, 2025

Fort Bend County OEM

Richmond, Texas 77469

1:00-3:00 PM



### **A. Call to Order**

Jeremy Way called the meeting to order at 1:07 pm.

### **B. Minutes** (C101)

Mr. Way requested review of the March minutes. Jonathan House (Memorial Hermann Pearland) made a motion to approve the minutes, TJ Alessi (LaPorte EMS) seconded the motion, and the corridor members carried the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

### **C. New Business**

- **Chrystal Beach Topless Jeep Weekend**

Mr. Way reported the topless jeep weekend went much better this year than in years past. There were 1,800 on Friday with 73 arrests and 19 guns confiscated, and over 300 officers on duty.

- **Award of Excellence**

SETRAC encourages facilities and agencies to complete an application to showcase the great work they are doing in their region. The application can be found on the SETRAC website with the submission due date being August 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **D. HPP Capabilities Review**

- **Pulsara Update**

Mr. Way surveyed the room to see which facilities are set up in and currently using Pulsara. and discussed the wristbands. From an emergency management standpoint for this year, we will still be using the ETN wristbands for evacuations and Pulsara for medical patients, and next year it will be Pulsara across the board.

- **World Cup Update**

Mr. Way stated everyone seems to be having their own meetings, so he advised the corridor members to ensure your counties and personnel are meeting and discussing plans. Even though the event is a year away, it is important to be planning and be prepared. Some agencies and facilities shared their plans with the group. Mr. Way reported Fort Bend County has been advised that Sugar Land will host a team. There was in-depth discussion regarding the surge of people and incidents that could occur during this timeframe. There is now a page on the SETRAC website for the World Cup and related information (countries, games, dates, etc.) and the information will be updated as it is shared.

### **E. EMTF Update**

#### **Recent Responses and Preparedness**

- Bay City Ammonia Release: EMTF swiftly deployed a robust no-notice response, including 1 Heavy Strike Team, 5 ambulances, and 1 AMBUS, ensuring effective incident management.
- Severe Weather Standby: EMTF-6 has been activated 9 times for severe weather preparedness, showcasing our commitment to regional safety and rapid response readiness.



### **Training and Curriculum Development**

- MIST Curriculum Advancement: Our coordinators are hard at work developing the new MIST curriculum. The first class, a refresher, is tentatively scheduled for mid-to-late summer 2025, with a new MIST course planned for mid-to-late fall 2025.
- NWCG MEDL Course: EMTF, in collaboration with the Texas Forest Service, will host the NWCG MEDL Course in San Antonio from May 20-22, 2025, enhancing our medical leadership capabilities.

### **Crystal Beach Go Topless Weekend 2025**

- Planning: Coordinated a comprehensive mutual aid response for this high-demand event, including a Type 3 MMU, two ambulance strike teams, and overhead coordination during peak hours.
- Community Support: Secured significant donations of assets and equipment, bolstering our operational capacity.

### **Current Needs**

- Urgent Request: We urgently need 10 I-Stat 1 CG4+ cartridges. Any assistance in securing these critical supplies would be greatly appreciated—please reach out if you can help.

### **Upcoming Events and Opportunities**

- TDEM Conference Workgroups: The next EMTF workgroups will convene at the TDEM Conference in Fort Worth, fostering collaboration and strategic planning.
- Call for Volunteers: We're seeking enthusiastic volunteers to set up, tear down, and staff the EMTF display at the TDEM Conference. If interested, please let us know, and we'll add you to the list.

## **F. Training & Exercise**

Timothy Chapman reviewed the Training & Exercise schedule highlighting the following:

- Regional Exercise went well, and the corridor members seemed to like the extended play and thought it worked well.
- CMOC 101 training.
- Lisa Spivey reported SETRAC is working to transition from WebEOC to Nexus which is an upgrade to WebEOC.

## **G. Special Populations Update (C101)**

- Planning with local jurisdictions for upcoming Emergency Preparedness Bootcamps in our Region. June 24<sup>th</sup> in Montgomery County for West Corridor. In the works for an additional bootcamp in Brazoria Co for South Corridor.
- Continue to work with local jurisdiction on emergency preparedness workshop for elected officials, workshop on hold for now.
- Training dialysis clinics on the use of EMResource has been conducted.
- SETRAC participated with dialysis's Corporate Office in Emergency Preparedness Hurricane Trainings.
- Continue to work with new facilities to be part of RHPC and provide emergency preparedness guidance.
- SETRAC Special Populations presentation at the TALA Conference in April - RACs overview and disaster preparedness.
- Reached out to the TDEM STEAR Rep to discuss the new STEAR online registration for LTCS and home health/hospice providers.

## **H. Inventory Update**

*Deferred*



## **I. Partners Updates (C101)**

The corridor members shared public health, hospital, and EMS matters regarding upcoming exercises and current virus concerns. There was in-depth discussion regarding EMS wristband training. No updates were provided to be added in the minutes.

Anyone wanting their partner update included in the minutes should send their update via email to Roxie Ward at [roxie.ward@setrac.org](mailto:roxie.ward@setrac.org). This will ensure updates are documented accurately in the minutes.

## **J. Open Discussion/Other Business**

- **RHPC Preparedness Symposium**

Ms. Spivey reminded the corridor members of the upcoming symposium scheduled for October 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> at the San Luis Convention Center in Galveston. The SETRAC room blocks San Luis Resort and Hilton are sold out, but there are rooms available at the Holiday Inn. Our pre-symposium training will be a threat assessment class conducted by Major Jones (DPS) targeting law enforcement and EMS. She gave an update on some of the confirmed speakers.

- **RHPC Nominations**

Nominations for RHPC chair and co-chair are open.

- **HPP Amendment**

Ms. Spivey encouraged the EMS partners to complete the HPP Amendment due on May 30<sup>th</sup>.

- **Hazardous Vulnerability Assessment (HVA)**

The HVAs have been sent out along with a new HVA/Cybersecurity which is no different from our standard HVA as it will hopefully give us an idea of what and where we need to target training in the region.

- **2025-2026 South Corridor Meeting Schedule**

Mr. Way reviewed the meeting schedule with the corridor members advising all locations from 2024-2025 will be used in the same months unless a facility needs to be rescheduled. The meeting schedule was unanimously approved.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business or discussion, TJ Alessi made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Rodney Grimmer seconded the motion, and the corridor members approved the motion. Jeremy Way adjourned the meeting at 2:26 pm. The next South Corridor meeting is scheduled for Friday (July 18<sup>th</sup>) at Fort Bend OEM (307 Fort Street, Richmond, Texas 77469)

**ATTENDEES:** Jonathan House, Jeremy Way, Rhueben Towne, Rodney Grimmer, Kimberly Hobson, Kiva Maxwell, Lisa Spivey, TJ Alessi, Matthew Grout, Timothy Chapman, Charles Brockett, Roxie Ward



SOUTH CORRIDOR MEETING PARTICIPATION LIST (5/23/2025)					
First Name	Last Name	Organization Name (South)	South Corridor Meeting	How did you attend?	Meeting Code
Jonathan	House	Memorial Hermann Pearland Hospital*	South 05/23/2025	In person	BIRTHDAY
Jonathan	House	Memorial Hermann Southeast*	South 05/23/2025	In person	BIRTHDAY
Jeremy	Way		South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Rhueben	Towne	Ft bend hsem	South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Roxie	Ward	SETRAC	South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Kiva	Maxwell	HCPH	South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Rodney	Grimmer		South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Kimberly	Hobson	HCPH	South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Lisa	Spivey	SETRAC	South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Tj	Alessi	La Porte EMS	South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Charles	Brockett	FBC Public Health	South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Matthew	Grout	Brazoria County Health Department	South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Timothy	Chapman	SETRAC	South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday
Jonathan	House	Memorial Hermann Pearland Hospital*	South 05/23/2025	In person	Birthday