

# HIT Team Meeting

**August 10, 2006**  
**State Lands Commission Building**  
**750 Alfred Nobel Drive, Suite 201**  
**Hercules, CA 94547**  
**(510) 741-4950**

Meeting called by:  
MJH

Facilitator:  
Melissa Hagen

## Attendees

California Highway Patrol, Officer John Falat  
Contra Costa Health Services, Melissa Hagen, HIT Team Chair  
Contra Costa Health Services, Adam Springer, Hazardous Materials Specialist, IR Team Member  
Dept of Toxic Substances Control, Ms. Asha Arora, Hazardous Substance Scientist  
Dept of Toxic Substances Control Mr. Michael Pixton, Senior Hazardous Substance Scientist  
FIRE – Richmond Fire Department, Ron Wiley, Deputy Fire Marshall  
FIRE – San Ramon Valley Fire, Ken Schwartz, Haz Mat Coordinator  
State Lands Commission, Chris Beckwith, Marine Safety Specialist  
Kathy Hoffman, US Rep George Miller Office

## Agenda

Welcome and Opening Remarks	Melissa J. Hagen	
Introductions	All	5
Approve of June Minutes	All	5
Approval of Agenda	All	5
Guest Speaker Presentation: DTSC Overview		45
Ms. Asha Arora Hazardous Substance Scientist State Oversight and Enforcement Branch Statewide Compliance Division Berkeley Office	Mr. Michael Pixton Senior Hazardous Substance Scientist Emergency Response and Statewide Operations Division Berkeley Office	
Roundtable Discussion/Information Sharing	All	45
Adjournment to October 12, 2006	Melissa	5

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## Welcome and Opening Remarks      **Melissa J. Hagen**      **5**

Discussion: Melissa Hagen, Hazardous Materials Specialist with CCHS HazMat Program is the HIT Team Chair. Neal Price, CCHS is the HIT Team Co-Chair.

Please continue to provide Ms. Hagen or Mr. Price guest speaker/topic ideas. Melissa / Neal (925) 646-2286.

Conclusions: Informational Item only – no action needed.

Action items: Informational Item only – no action needed.

Person responsible:

Deadline:

## Introductions      **All**      **20**

Discussion: All members and guests present introduced themselves. Please note, RSVPs for HIT Team Meeting are appreciated, use e-mail [MHagen@hsd.co.contra-costa.ca.us](mailto:MHagen@hsd.co.contra-costa.ca.us) or voicemail: (925) 646-2286. Alternates representing your agency are also welcomed and appreciated.

Conclusions: Informational Item

Action items:

RSVP's are helpful prior to October 12, 2006 meeting, as are alternates if HIT Team members cannot attend.

Person responsible:

All

Deadline:

10/8/2006

## Approval of June Minutes      **All**      **5**

Discussion: Approved without correction.

Conclusions: Minutes are posted on the HIT Team Website: [http://cchealth.org/groups/hazmat/interagency\\_task\\_force.php](http://cchealth.org/groups/hazmat/interagency_task_force.php)

Action items: Minutes posted.

Person responsible:

MJH

Deadline:

07/01/06

## Approval of Agenda      **All**      **5**

Discussion: Approved without correction.

Conclusions: HIT Team Meeting agenda are posted on the HIT Team Website:  
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Action items: Agenda posted.

Person responsible:

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Deadline:

08/30/06

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## Guest Speaker Presentation: DTSC Overview

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Discussion: Overview of the California State Department of Toxics Substances Control's programs, including what they do, how they serve the community, how they make decisions and how they do their job. Also discussed was the departments role and responsibilities involving emergency response actions.

Golden Guardian Response Drill Nov. 15-16, 2006 36 hour, contact Michael Pixton for more information (510) 540-3742

DTSC is currently undergoing a re-organization of sorts. The new Director, Maureen F. Gorsen, is taking a new look at the departments structure and may be making some big changes! Keep your eye on the department's website for new information: <http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/>

The presentation is posted on the HIT Team's website: ([http://cchealth.org/groups/hazmat/interagency\\_task\\_force.php](http://cchealth.org/groups/hazmat/interagency_task_force.php)).

Conclusions: Thank you Asha and Michael. Also note, Mr. Michael Pixton from DTSC will be joining the HIT Team on a regular basis. His input from DTSC will be greatly appreciated. Welcome Michael!

Action items: Post presentation to website.

Person responsible:

MJH

Deadline:

08/31/06

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## Roundtable

All

45

### Discussion/Information Sharing

CCHS HazMat – Abandon drums of waste East and West county; Pool chemical spill July 06; Industrial battery spill 680/24 SRVFD & CCHS July 25; WC package smoking July; Level II Rhodia- Ammonia release July  
 Adam Springer, HazMat Specialist II will run CCHS' Clean Water Program

BAAQMD - Jack Bean to retire, taking an assignment he “couldn't refuse”. Tell us more next meeting Jack!

CHP - Motor carrier safety assistance program Refresher tech-specs Oct 12, 2006

FIRE - SRVFD – Tech spec refresher. Sean Grayson-Capt. Hazmat Capt.

FIRE – RFD End of August 29, 30, 31 Hands-on training. Chevron, SRVFD and CCHS IEC props, R Wiley - Level A training in Alabama - Sending more hazmat specialists Sarin gas test kit difficult in level A. Look forward to more information Ron at the next meeting!

USCG – Reorganization of operations. New name: USCG San Francisco Sector. Participating in a haz mat response drill August 25 – 26, 2005 in Humboldt area.

SLC – Safe Seas drill 8/10/06  
 Port security drill, refineries Aus 1,2,3  
 September, Long Beach Symposium – Contact Chris Beckwith for more information  
 Blue Rock BBQ Sept/Oct 2006

Richmond Sanitary Sewer - Fats, oil and grease 115 in Steage W Richmond City of Richmond yellow grease –Biodiesel Calif. Dept. of Ag. Must be registered to haul grease, brown grease OK to drum up with kitty litter. Three events per year only / 100 mile of line > 100 gallons or over 1000 –need OES Report number Western states grant money available.  
 Environmental crimes-western states Cal-EPA website Sept, 6, 2006

Conclusions: Informational Items. Good discussion. Thank you all.

Action items:

Informational Item – No action needed.

Person responsible:

N/A

Deadline:

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## Adjournment to October 12, 2006    Melissa    5

Discussion: Next meeting: October 12, 2006, SLCconference room.

Guest Speaker: TBD

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Conclusions: Informational Item

Action items: Informational Item only – no action needed.

Person responsible:

Deadline:

Send out next agenda for October 12, 2006 10:00AM – 12:00PM Meeting

MJH

10/06/06