



# HIT Team Meeting

**October 11, 2007**  
**State Lands Commission Building**  
**750 Alfred Nobel Drive, Suite 201**  
**Hercules, CA 94547**  
**(510) 741-4950**

<b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b>	<b>Melissa J. Hagen</b>	<b>5</b>
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:
<b>Introductions</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>5</b>
Discussion: All members and guests present introduced themselves. Please note, RSVPs for HIT Team Meeting are appreciated, use e-mail <a href="mailto:MHagen@hsd.co.contra-costa.ca.us">MHagen@hsd.co.contra-costa.ca.us</a> 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 December 13, 2007 meeting, as are alternates if HIT Team members cannot attend.	Person responsible: All	
<b>Approval of August 2007 Minutes</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>5</b>
Discussion: Approved with correction		
Conclusions: Minutes are posted on the HIT Team Website: <a href="http://cchealth.org/groups/hazmat/interagency_task_force.php">http://cchealth.org/groups/hazmat/interagency_task_force.php</a>		
Action items: Minutes posted.	Person responsible: Melissa	Deadline: 09/01/07
	MJH	
<b>Approval of October 2007 Agenda</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>5</b>
Discussion: Approved without correction.		

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Action items:

Agenda posted.

Person responsible:

MJH

Deadline:

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<b>Guest Speaker Presentation: CWS Update and New Public Outreach Video</b>	Eve Ridgers	45
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**Guest Speaker Presentation:**

Eve Ridges, Community Warning System Specialist

Ms Ridges and Art Botterel from County Sheriff's Office have produced a short, informative video about the county's Community Warning System. It is part of the departments ongoing efforts to educate residents about the system and - if activated - what they should do.

New contractor for the system is: Honeywell. No problems reported to date.

New video produced and published to YouTube.com  
Link to video: More information TBA

Note: County employees cannot actually log on to YouTube.com at work.....however the video is there as a resource for all agencies to point to as a public outreach tool.

**Discussion:**

Photographs from the presentation will be 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 Eve for the CWS Update and sharing you movie debut!

<b>Action items:</b>	<b>Person responsible:</b>	<b>Deadline:</b>
Post YouTube video link to HIT Team website:	MJH	12/07/07

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## Roundtable Discussion/ Information Sharing

All

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### CCHS HazMat

Radiological incident at Kirker Pass. CCHS obtained a video clip from KRON channel 4 that covered the entire response. The video is available for training purposes. Contact Melissa Hagen at CCHS to check it out of HazMat's library. Video is 3: 31 minutes long and very well done.

October 25, 2007 is the annual "Dow Chemical Drill". Numerous agencies participate in this well organized drill. This year's drill was on a simulated sulfur-dioxide gas release from a railcar. Level A response by CCHS HazMat and Dow personnel. Community hospitals and ambulances will also participate.

### BAAQMD

Pacific Atlantic Terminals : Seals too small on aboveground fuel tanks causes roof to malfunction. Replacing at contractors expense

Overfilled gasoline tank within the storage secondary containment. Release contained and reports to be submitted following root-cause analysis.

### Office of Emergency Services

Planning for special needs / populations during emergencies. Animals, people on medication, etc. Grant obtained to train volunteers to work with pets. Kennels and a pet ID station, including decontamination procedures Mainly cats, dogs, birds and horses.

Naturally occurring anthrax in East county has forced the killing of several cows/ bulls. Must be burned; not buried. Acid bath or incineration process needed to dispose of carcass (two bails of hay and fifty-five gallons of diesel fuel is current specification for complete disposal of infected livestock.

IC Refresher class. Four hour class Shell clubhouse Oct 16, 2007 starting at 8:30 AM

April 1-3, 2008 USS Hornet

### CHP

Personnel completed 8 hour HAWOPER refresher class. Fifty CHP technicians by 2008

Debrief on Kirker Pass radiological incident. Mr Falat was on scene during the event.

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## **Richmond Sanitary District**

Not present

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## **Cal/OSHA**

Service area clarified: Kern county to Oregon border. Heat illness-Valero employee in 68 degrees demonstrates the need to always be alert for heat related stress, even in seemingly moderate temperatures.

Conoco Phillips has had problems with coker safety. Just the Rodeo site. Currently under investigation by facility personnel as well as OSHA inspectors.

Concord office OSHA staff are also working on space port in Mohave Desert incident where the space ship casing blew-up and resulted in three fatalities. Space travel via private sector individuals potentially a safety problem.

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## **San Francisco Bay – RWQCB Mr Derel Whitworth**

Mr. Whitworth provided the group with an overview of the Regional Water Quality Control Boards. The HIT Team has not previously has a representative from this important environmental compliance agency. So, thank you Derek! Any further information about this agency is appreciated.

Appointed board with 100-120 staff, located at 1515 Clay Street, Oakland 13-14 floors. RWQCB's are organized by watersheds.

Department goals include the protection of groundwater, surface water discharge regulation via NPDES permits. RWQCBs rely on self monitoring reports. MMP Mandatory minimal penalties currently at \$3000.

State Water Resources Control Board State (SWRCB) regional board's oversight agency in Sacramento.

Supplementary environmental project – fines applied and on some occasions project work is done instead of paying fines. (Interesting....would like more information about this.)

Watershed, groundwater, NPDES different departments.

Land use planning! FUTURE GUEST SPEAKER

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## SRVFD

San Ramon pool chlorine release. Not the cylinder but the piping. System shut down as designed.

## FIRE – RFD

Canal Blvd tanker truck and train stinger response. Operations conduct safely, no injuries and no significant release.

## DTSC

Angora fire debris response  
Butte county metal recyclers reviewing BMPs to stop contamination.

## USCG

Alcatraz (old storage area) may be oil leaking into Bay. US Park Service, SLC and EPA to conduct investigations

## Department of Fish & Game

Lake Davis pike fish removal project update: Rotenone being used to kill this invasive fish. Application has been completed. Plumas County Dept. of Fish and Game.

## EPA Region IX – Criminal Investigations Division

Nothing to report.

## EPA Region IX – SPCC

Not present

## SLC

Also working on Pacific Atlantic Terminals. More discussion regarding a possible joint-agency inspection.

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## Central Sanitary

Not present

### Cong. Miller

Not present. Email requesting more information about the joint-agency inspection. CCHS HIT Team Chair, Melissa Hagen will advise.

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

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
Informational Item – No action needed.	N/A	N/A

## Adjournment to December 13, 2007

Melissa

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**Discussion:** Next meeting: December 13, 2007, SLC conference room.

**Guest Speaker:** Mr. James Thomas, CA Dept. of Public Health, Safe Radiological Responses in Contra Costa County.

**Conclusions:** Informational Item

**Action items:** Informational Item only – no action needed.

Send out next agenda for December 13, 2007 10:00AM – 12:00PM Meeting

Person responsible:	Deadline:
MJH	12/06/07