

**Pitt County
Local Emergency Planning Committee
Meeting Summary
November 2, 2021**

The Pitt County LEPC held its quarterly meeting on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. in the Pitt County Emergency Operations Center. The meeting was conducted by Randy Gentry, Director of Pitt County Emergency Management. The following committee members were present:

Angela Brown	Kimberly Mattox
Kiplan Clemmons	Jim McArthur
Randy Gentry	Jay Morris
Leigh Guth	Charles Tripp
Toby Holliday	Hunter Copeland
Dawn Jones	

Director's Update

Randy Gentry welcomed the committee members stating the group had not met since the height of COVID-19. Randy introduced Chief Michael Peaks with the NC HazMat Regional Response Team (RRT-1) out of the Williamston Fire Department.

NC-RRT-1 Williamston Presentation

Chief Michael Peaks gave an overview of the NC-RRT-1 (North Carolina Hazardous Materials Regional Response Team) program. Copy of the presentation is attached.

Open Discussion

Chief Peaks mentioned that the NC-RRT-1 is always willing to go out in the community and to attend the fire association meetings, if requested.

Charles Tripp expressed appreciation to Kiplan Clemmons and Randy Gentry for their efforts in the mass COVID-19 vaccination clinic.

Kimberly Mattox with Red Cross stated they are still offering smoke detectors in the community.

Randy Gentry mentioned the Holiday Safety Fair that is scheduled for December 2, 2021 and invited the NC-RRT-1 to participate

Closing

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:00 pm. The next LEPC meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2022.

Submitted by:
Angela Brown
11/10/2021

North Carolina Hazardous Materials Regional Response Team Program

Pitt County
Nov. 2, 2021



RRT-1
Williamston



History of the RRT Program

- Six Regional Response Teams were created
- First team placed in-service in 1995
- First mission- January 1996
- Seventh Regional Response Team added in 2002



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Objectives

- Introduction to the RRT Program
- Introduction to RRT-1 Williamston
- Incidents & Training
- Questions

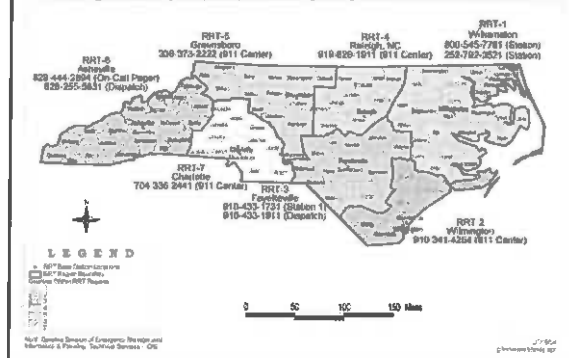
Regional Response Teams

- RRT- 1 Williamston
- RRT- 2 Wilmington
- RRT- 3 Fayetteville
- RRT- 4 Raleigh
- RRT- 5 Greensboro
- RRT- 6 Asheville
- RRT- 7 Charlotte

History of the RRT Program

- In August 1993, the Regional Response Team (RRT) Advisory Committee began developing plans for an organized, effective statewide response to the increasing possibility of hazardous materials incidents
- In 1994 the North Carolina General Assembly passed legislation directing the secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety to establish a method of responding to hazardous material emergencies on a regional basis under NC General Statute 166A-20 (b) in 1994.

North Carolina Hazardous Materials Regional Response Team Primary Response Area Boundaries



Mission Statement

To supplement the efforts of local first responders in the event of a hazardous material emergency or terrorist incident that is beyond their capability to protect the health and safety of its citizens.

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Basic information needed

- Substance or Chemical name (if known)
- Incident location, size & severity
- Substance form--liquid, solid or gas
- Danger presented & area threatened
- Fire, Health or Explosion Hazards
- Evacuations in progress or being considered

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How it Works

Emergency response agencies or local government officials may contact the RRTs for technical assistance or for help in responding to a hazardous materials incident if it is beyond the capabilities of the local fire department.

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If the substance is unknown or is considered to be an extremely hazardous substance and is leaking out of its container, the RRTs are authorized to respond immediately. Response to other known substances must first be approved by the appropriate state officials.

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How to Make a Request

Request for RRTs should be made to the State Emergency Operations Center by the incident commander, local emergency manager or the NCEM area coordinator

1-800-858-0368

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What the RRTs Do

The RRT has the capability to identify most unknown substances and contain any release of runoff of hazardous material until a clean-up contractor can be brought on scene. The team will stay on scene as a mediator until the substance has been removed and the scene is considered safe.

Capabilities

- Chemical spill response
 - Highway transportation
 - Rail car transportation
 - Air transportation
 - Waterways (US Coast Guard)
- Toxic Industrial Chemical response
 - Fixed facility and transportation
- WMD response
 - ID and Decontamination

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Payment for RRT Response

The individual or company responsible for the release or spill will be billed for the response cost, not the requesting jurisdiction. If the responsible party cannot be determined, the cost to respond will be absorbed by the RRT program.

Equipment

- Chemical
 - Gemini, Jerome 405
- Biological
 - Razor EX, BioSensor
- Radiological/Nuclear
 - Inspector, Inspector 1000 with isotope identifier
- WMD
 - Hazmat CAD, LCD, APD 2000, AP2C, M256A1, M8, M9
- Area monitoring – TIC, Radiological, Weather and plume modeling

RRT-1 Williamston

- Providing HazMat Response Since 1995
- 45 NC OSFM Level II HazMat Responders
- Provides Service to 25 Counties
- Personnel in 14 Counties
- Train Monthly



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What the RRTs Don't Do

The RRTs do not take the place of local emergency response agencies, nor are they responsible for cleaning up hazardous material spills. Local emergency response agencies should have the capable of containing the situation until the RRT arrives, which is usually within 2hrs depending on distance and travel conditions.

RRT-1 Truck 1



RRT-1 T-2 & Trailer 2



RRT-1 Truck 3



Live Agent Training



RRT-1 T-4 Spill Trailer

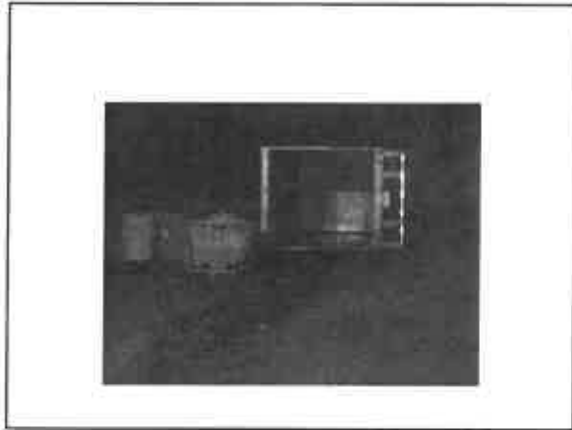


**RRT-1
Responses**





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Program Contacts

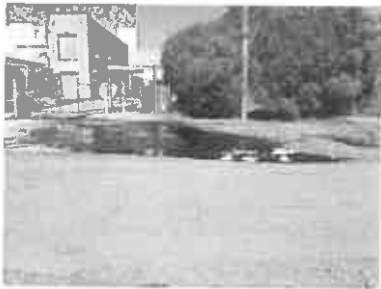
RRT-1
Chief Michael Peaks
252.217.8317 (c)

Station
1.800.545.RRT1 (7781)

Hazmat Officers
252.799.9214/252.799.9215

NCEM Emergency Operations Center
1-800-858-0368

Martin Co. (Robersonville)



Questions?

