

Broome County
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
LEPC MEETING MINUTES
8/20/2026

- Introduction of guests/new members
Attendees: Pam Rexer, Cortni Williams, Dave Eddy, Sierra Kunig, Jules Cole, Ben Lott
Online: Whitney Seabrooks, Mike Heide, Kamaran Fisher, Adam Soden, Dave Tinklepaugh
- Approval of minutes 6/18/2026 Motion: Jules Cole, 2nd Pam Rexer
- New Email Address to contact LEPC: broomelepc@broomecountyny.gov
- Correspondence /Announcements
 - NYSEG Semi-annual Inventory Report pf PCB Equipment

Old Business

1) Drills and Training Schedule 2026 – Updates and New Events

- *Red Cross Drill moved to 2027*
- 7/17 Active Shooter Drill at Windsor High School- Went very well, and working on the AAR
- The Broome County Health Department PHAD Exercise rescheduled to 8/14- Went very well, and working on the AAR. Realistic Scenario that resulted in a lot of communication about the subject. (Measles)
- Speidie Fest- All went well; weather cooperated.
- Chlorine Rail Safety & Hazmat Emergency Response Training – *SEE ATTACHMENT AND LINK: [Chlorine Rail Safety & Hazmat Emergency Response Training | TRANSCAER](#)*
- CHEMTREC International HazMat Summit: September 21-23, 2026 in Nashville, TN; To Register: [CIHS Home \(chemtrec.com\)](https://chemtrec.com)
- LUMA Fest is taking place on September 11th and 12th.
- Office of Emergency Services is conducting a TTX on August 31st with Deposit CSD
- Office of Emergency Services is working with State OEM on a TTX for the EOC on December 3rd

2) Committee Updates:

- **Health, Human and Animal Needs** – Meeting held on 7/16/26
 - [Cyclosporiasis](#) – National issue that is linked to foodborne illness.
 - Canadian wildfires- Health Dept. has done a lot of messaging on this topic to keep the public informed and safe.
 - Measles outbreak- Broome County Health Dept. has been in contact with hospitals about a possible outbreak. There are only confirmed cases in Chenango and Tioga County. Any resident of Broome County who could have been exposed will be contacted by the County Health Department.
 - Immunization Schedule Changes- There have been 2 new laws from NYS and lot of confusion through the community. The Health Department has conducted a press conference on this subject and plans to make social media posts about it as well.
- **Training/Exercises**
 - 5 members currently – Pam Rexer, Mike Bender, Cortni Williams, Cait Cavanaugh, Mike Heide
 - **Next meeting to be scheduled-9/17/26** (last on 4/15/26)
Going to move to 9/18/2026

Ideas for Exercises:

- TRANSCAER Train
- Preparing for Weather Emergencies
- Tier 2 Report Training
- NYS Chemical Bulk Storage
- Radioactive Materials

3) 2026 LEPC PLANS for Committees:

- **Infrastructure**
- **Public Safety** Mike Bender and Cortni Williams will invite individuals to LEPC and try to create the committees based on attendees

New Business

- 1) Amrex Tanker delivered to Windsor Acre Farms -donated for use in HazMat training exercises. **What paperwork is needed by the county for the donation?**
 - Discussed with Pam from Amrex what paperwork is needed.
 - Amrex is willing to provide personnel to come out and talk about the tanker if it was something HazMat would like during training.
- 2) Updates on Salmonella Investigation?
 - The update is that the Jail is back to normal operations, and the culprit was chicken salad.

3) **TRANSCAER COORDINATOR FOR NY: Clem Wm. Schimikowski / CPKC Rail Hazmat**

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- 4) Binghamton University-
 - Students are back, and move-in was successful.
- 5) Williams-
 - Purchased and deployed several portable PM2.5 air quality monitors for some of our remote pipeline construction sites (most in Sullivan and Tioga Counties, PA). These provided us with the most accurate health hazard information in areas that otherwise had large gaps between fixed monitoring locations. [Ranger – Portable Air Quality Monitor | Aeroqual](#)
 - On 08/11/26, Williams completed its annual safety system testing at our Dunbar (NY) Compressor Station; the only station we operate in Broome County.

Motion to Adjourn: Jules Cole, 2nd Cortni Williams

Next Meeting: October 15, 2026 at Public Safety Facility (and Virtual)

***Committee Meetings: September 17, 2026 - Health, Human and Animal Needs
September 18, 2026 – Training/Exercises***