

Plumas County Emergency Medical Care Committee
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EMCC Meeting Minutes
April 2, 2025 – 1000 -1200 hrs
Plumas County Public Health Agency Conference Room
Or Microsoft Teams



➤ Meeting called to order: **1003 hours**

In-Person		Virtual	
<u>Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>
Charles Schrammel	PCPHA	Judy Cline	Seneca Hospital
Frank Carey	Quincy Fire	Katie Russell	Sierra Co. PH
Sam Blesse	PDH/CareFlight	Amy Burkhart	EPHC Ambulance
Mark Satterfield	PCPHA	Ryan Pederson	CHP
Tina Venable	PCPHA	Neal Cline	Seneca Hospital
Zoe Stancer	PDH	Dee Dee Clark	EPHC
Matt Hillar	SEMSA	Linda McCurdy	Seneca Hospital
Louie Alberto	AirMethods	Mark Thomas	PDH/CareFlight
Ron Wilson	NorCal EMS	Lori Pini	Plumas OES
Nick Knowles	CareFlight	Darren Beatty	PDH
		Joe Walton	CalFire
		Jack Rosevear	Beckwourth Peak FD
		Travis Goings	Plumas OES

➤ Roll Call of voting membership to set quorum:

Organization	Primary		Secondary	
	Name	Present	Name	Present
Seneca Hospital	Judy Cline	Y	Linda McCurdy	Y
PCPHA – Health Officer	Dr. Mark Satterfield	Y	Tina Venable	Y
Plumas District Hospital	Darren Beatty	Y	Zoe Stancer	Y

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Eastern Plumas Healthcare	Dee Dee Clark	Y	Donna Dorsey	N
Plumas Fire Chiefs	Chief Frank Carey	Y		
EPHC Ambulance	Amy Burkhardt	Y	Kelsey Kirkpatrick	Y
PDH Ambulance	Sam Blesse	Y	Mark Thomas	Y
PCSO	Chandler Peay	N		
Board of Supervisors	Mimi Hall	N	Kevin Goss	N
Peninsula Fire Protection Dist.	Chief Robert Gray	N	Bat. Chief Kirk Duff	N

- Approval of the agenda for April 2, 2025 (no roll call)
 - **Sam Blesse** motioned, **Frank Carey** seconded, no nays
- Approval of January 10, 2025, minutes (no roll call)
 - **Frank Carey** motioned, **Sam Blesse** seconded, no nays
- Public Comment
 - No public comment
- Local EMS Report
 - CalTrans March 4, 2025, Letter – Construction Zone Disruption (discussion)
 - **Sam Blesse** stated this is a standard letter, not necessarily specific to Plumas County. No information on a local incident from EMS providers in our area. **Frank Carey** stated he has received similar letters from the railroad agency regarding first responder safety at crossings.
- Nor-Cal EMS Report
 - Opportunity to bring MCI Trainings to Plumas (discussion)
 - **Ron Wilson** – committed to increased EMCC participation, NorCal EMS undergoing transition from 501.c.3 to Joint Power Authority, to be completed around July 1. NorCal EMS is prepared for Pen Fire taking over Chester Fire/EMS ops in Chester.
 - **Mark Thomas** – regional MCI plan has been updated, and training can be brought to Plumas if desired. 3–4-hour time estimate. Potential for multiple

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training courses to better serve the area. Ex: Portola in collaboration with Sierra Co.

- HeartSafe Community Report
 - Update from Central Plumas
 - **Sam Blesse** – all AEDs in possession of PCSO have been 'refreshed', new pads and batteries. All patrol deputies have an AED. There are now AEDs at the physical therapy office in Greenville and at the PDH daycare.
 - Update from Lake Almanor
 - **Sam Blesse** – Will reach out to Chief Gray. Chief Matt Turner from West Shore Fire has 2 AEDs, grant for more equipment, and classes.
 - Update from Eastern Plumas County
 - **Amy Burkhardt** – Nifty Thrifty auxiliary donated \$10,000 towards AEDs for public use, seeking input on placement/location. Suggestions so far: Feather River Land Trust Visitor Center in Sierra Valley. AED locations are being added to CAD system.
- PCSO - Communications/ Dispatch UPDATES
 - PCSO representative **Chandler Peay** was not available due to a scheduling conflict.
 - **Sam Blesse** – Med 6 for ambulance communications to REMSA is functioning well, due to issues with local repeater on Mt. Hough the Claremont Peak repeater is being used by some. Dispatch has 7 of 8 roles filled.
- Stop the Bleed Program UPDATE
 - Portola Schools receive first kits.
 - **Charles Schrammel** – kits have been ordered by PDH; school population numbers need to be sent to Seneca. Will continue to work on project.
- Agency Reports
 - Fire Chiefs Association

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- **Frank Carey** – new officers have been elected: Ed Ward (President), Frank Carey (Vice President), Jack Rosevear (Secretary).

- CareFlight Ground/PDH Ambulance
 - **Sam Blesse** – two critical care paramedics (CCPs) in service now through PDH ambulance service.
- SEMSA
 - **Matt Hillar** – clarification requested regarding the Indian Valley CareFlight crew being available to stage at Canyon Dam to support Almanor Basin EMS response. There is reported confusion at SIFC regarding the policies. **Sam Blesse** confirmed the crew can assist, will talk further with **Matt**.
- Plumas District Hospital
 - **Zoe Stancer** – Joint Commission Survey completed with positive results, they have hired a new CNO, **Judy Robinson**, construction of SNF proceeding.
- CareFlight/Air Operations
 - **Nick Knowles** – spring landing zone training coming soon, plan to initiate daily morning calls to hospitals for briefing.
- Health Officer
 - **Dr. Mark Satterfield** – important to follow the progress of SB 669 that affects maternity care in Plumas County and has impacts for EMS.
 - **Link:** <https://legiscan.com/CA/text/SB669/id/3135063>
- Seneca Hospital
 - **Judy Cline** – 7 nurses recently attended an MICN course with NorCal EMS. Nurses still must complete an ambulance ride along. Looking for volunteers locally. Hospital construction begins next week, a non-profit, the Seneca Foundation, has been formed to handle funding of the hospital. There will be a golf tournament at Bailey Creek on May 30th.
- Plumas OES

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- **Lori Pini** – supporting/offering training in Plumas: ICS-300 in May in Quincy, Emergency Management Concepts in June in Chester. OES continues to work on the Hazard Mitigation Plan update.
- CalFIRE
 - **Joe Walton** – all engines in the region are staffed, Westwood engines are full and available for mutual aid in the Almanor Basin.
- NorCal EMS
 - **Ron Wilson** – Air medical coordination meeting on April 17th, reach out to Ron if you are interested. The NorCal EMS conference will be in June this year and registration is open. NorCal EMS can help with MICN needs at Seneca if desired.
- AirMethods
 - **Louie Alberto** – working on increased funding to support MediCal reimbursement. Currently undertaking lobbying efforts.

➤ **Meeting adjourned: 1045 hours**

Upcoming Meetings

- Plumas-Lassen-Sierra Healthcare Coalition – May 14, 2025
- Access and Functional Needs Committee – May 15, 2025

Upcoming Trainings

- ICS-300 Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents – May 7-9, 2025, Quincy
 - contact Charles Schrammel (charlesschrammel@countyofplumas.com)
- Emergency Management Concepts – June 10-13, 2025, Chester
 - contact Lori Pini (loripini@countyofplumas.com)
- Nor-Cal EMS - <https://norcalems.org/online-ces/>
- FEMA Independent Study - <https://training.fema.gov/is/>

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Next Meeting:

July 2, 2025 @ 1000 hrs.

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