

CHESTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

UPPER UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP

Community Awareness & Safety

Tuesday, November 20, 2018 – 6:30 PM

Pickering Valley Elementary School



WELCOME & AGENDA

- ▶ Welcome, Introductions & UUT Overview
- ▶ Brief statement by panelists of their responsibilities, training, role in the community, and role in emergencies
- ▶ Explanation of importance of Ready ChesCo and Smart 911 – audience sign up
- ▶ "Scenario" – overview followed by how each agency would respond
- ▶ Info on what residents should and should not do in an NGL emergency
- ▶ Q & A

PIPELINE COMMUNITY AWARENESS & SAFETY

PANELISTS:

- ▶ William Turner, Deputy Director of Emergency Management, Chester County Department of Emergency Services
- ▶ Police Chief John DeMarco, Upper Uwchlan Township Police
- ▶ Mike Holmes, Deputy Chief, Lionville Fire Company
- ▶ Don Herb, Deputy Chief, Hazardous Materials Response Team, Chester County Department of Emergency Services
- ▶ Emily McCarthy, Assistant Chief, Uwchlan Ambulance Corps

UPPER UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

- ▶ Emergency response organizations serving the Township
 - ▶ Lionville Fire Department
 - ▶ Ludwig's Corner Fire Department
 - ▶ East Brandywine Fire Department
 - ▶ Glenmoore Fire Department
 - ▶ Uwchlan Ambulance
 - ▶ Chester Count Department of Emergency Services
 - ▶ 911
 - ▶ Hazmat team
 - ▶ Training
 - ▶ Other specialized areas

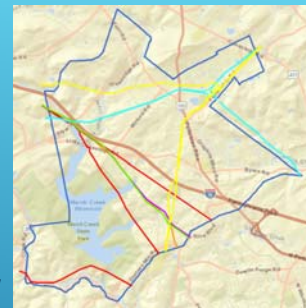
PLANNING, PREPARATION & TRAINING

- ▶ Planning, training, mitigation, response and recovery are all based, and will continue to be based, on an all hazards approach.
- ▶ An all hazards approach is the most thorough and efficient way to train and prepare for the wide variety of response scenarios seen by our first responders.
- ▶ Base training in law enforcement, fire, EMS and emergency management is acquired and specialized training is obtained thereafter on an ongoing basis.



EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

- ▶ Upper Uwchlan Township has an emergency operations plan (EOP) in place.
- ▶ The EOP is all hazards based, with hazard specific plans incorporated.
 - ▶ As an example – Pipeline GIS overlay with hazard specific information (location, size of pipe, product, applicable emergency guidebook information (Guide 115), operator name, emergency operations phone number).



BUCKEYE PARTNERS, LP	LIQUID	16,885.70	3.2	
COLUMBIA GAS TRANSMISSION CORP	GAS	52,949.29	10.0	
ENTERPRISE PRODUCTS OPERATING LLC	LIQUID	16,764.12	3.2	
SUNOCO PIPELINE L.P.	LIQUID	43,134.67	8.2	
TEXAS EASTERN TRANSMISSION LP (SPECTRA ENERGY CORP)	GAS	43,335.58	8.2	
			Total:	32.8

EMERGENT SITUATIONS ARE A RESULT OF MANY TYPES OF HAZARDS AND CAN RANGE FROM VERY MINOR TO CATASTROPHIC. WHAT CAN RESIDENTS DO TO BE MORE AWARE AND MORE PREPARED FOR ALL HAZARDS?

▶ **Be Aware**

- ▶ Be aware of your surroundings as it relates to all hazards (natural and man-made) – weather, i.e. tornados, straight line winds, floods, hurricanes, wild fires, earthquakes, dam failure, radiological emergencies, all “over the road” forms of transportation – i.e. rail car, tractor trailer, shipping, pipelines, and other utilities
- ▶ Scan, process, and mitigate, to the best of your ability, your potential exposure to all hazards.
- ▶ An example of identifying pipelines – look for markers, paint on the roadway, valve stations.

▶ **Call 811 before you dig!**

▶ **Be Prepared**

▶ **Training**



HOW DO YOU RECOGNIZE A PIPELINE LEAK?

- ▶ You **see** dead discolored vegetation that is otherwise green along a pipeline right-of-way, or see pools of liquid not usually present along the pipeline 'right-of-way', or you see a cloud of vapor or mist not usually present along the pipeline right-of-way.
- ▶ You **smell** an unusual odor or scent of petroleum along a pipeline right-of-way.
- ▶ You **hear** an unusual hissing or roaring sound along a pipeline right-of-way.
- ▶ **What do you do if you see, smell, or hear indications of a pipeline leak?**
 - ▶ Absorb as many details as possible about the situation and immediately remove yourself from the area (upwind) and call **911!** Remain calm and be prepared to answer questions posed by the 911 call taker. Be prepared to stay on the phone with the 911 call taker.



BE PREPARED

- ▶ Have a household plan – evacuation plan, communications plan
- ▶ Be well equipped and prepared to shelter in place (72 hour kit) – non-perishable food, water (one gallon per person per day), candles, matches/lighters, flashlights, extra batteries, first aid materials, infant/toddler supplies, portable heaters, blankets, family documents in water proof bag, prescription medications, pet food and pet supplies, fire extinguisher, moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties, dust mask to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place, cash in a water proof bag, extra clothing, backpack, generator, gasoline.
- ▶ Communications Plan – call, text, Facebook Messenger, other social media platforms and, if all else fails, have a pre-designated family meeting point.
- ▶ Are you signed up for Ready Chesco? <https://www.readychesco.org/>
- ▶ Smart 911 – Vulnerable Needs Registry. Provide information to 911 in advance of emergencies – be prepared and arm your responders with the information they need to assist you.
- ▶ <https://www.smart911.com/>



TRAINING

- ▶ Basic First Aid & CPR - <https://www.station87.com/>
- ▶ CERT Training – Next County class is scheduled to begin April 1, 2019
- ▶ CERT Basic Training is designed to prepare you to help yourself and to help others in the event of a catastrophic disaster. In this event, emergency services personnel will not be able to help everyone immediately, you can make a difference by using your CERT training to save lives and protect property.
- ▶ <https://destraining.chesco.org/ema/CERTSpring2019>
- ▶ This class is open to anyone who wants to learn how to be better prepared before, during, and after an emergency. **Students must be 16 or older to attend. If students are between 16-18 years old a parent or guardian must accompany them.**



CERT TRAINING

FOR QUESTIONS OR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THADDEUS KAVANAGH AT TKAVANAGH@CHESCO.ORG OR 610-344-5540.

April 1, 2019	6:30-9:30 PM	Unit 1: Disaster Preparedness
April 8, 2019	6:30-9:30 PM	Unit 2: Fire Safety and Utility Controls
April 15, 2019	6:30-9:30 PM	Unit 3: Disaster Medical Operations I
April 22, 2019	6:30-9:30 PM	Unit 4: Disaster Medical Operations II
April 29, 2019	6:30-9:30 PM	Unit 5: Light Search and Rescue Operations
May 6, 2019	6:30-9:30 PM	Mid-Term Exam
May 13, 2019	6:30-9:30 PM	Unit 6: CERT Organization Unit 7: Disaster Psychology
May 20, 2019	6:30-9:30PM	Unit 8: Terrorism and CERT
June 1, 2018	8:00 AM - 4:00PM	Unit 9: Course Review, Final Exam, and Disaster Simulation



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