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Berkeley/Charleston/Dorchester (BCD) Multi-Agency Coordination (MAC) Group

April 25, 2025 10:00 a.m. 5790 Casper Padgett Way North Charleston, SC 29406 Barrett Lawrimore Conference Room

AGENDA

- 1. Call to order/Welcome & Introductions/Determination of a Quorum
- 2. Consideration of Minutes: February 28, 2025
- 3. Old Business
 - a. Recommendations for Executive Board appointments
 - b. BCD COG Regional Safety Action Plan Emergency Responder Survey Kyle James
- 4. Committee Reports
 - a. Policy & Procedures
 - b. Communications
 - c. Training
 - d. Planning
- 5. New Business/Upcoming Events & Etc.
- 6. Next Meeting Scheduled for July 25, 2025
- 7. Meeting Adjourn

BERKELEY-CHARLESTON-DORCHESTER COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS MULTI-AGENCY COORDINATION GROUP (MAC) Meeting Notes February 28, 2025

The Multi-Agency Coordination Group (MAC) met on Friday, February 28, 20254, at 10:00 a.m. in the Barrett Lawrimore Conference Room at Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments, 5790 Casper Padgett Way, North Charleston, SC 29406.

Multi-Agency Group (MAC) Attendees

Rick Dangerfield; Jeffrey Young; Michael Gay; Tristan Proctor; Will Hernandez; David Palawasta; Matthew Hibler; Dan Isgett; Mike Nixon; Angela Raney; Christopher Zak; Zachary Thompson; Stephen Davis; Joseph Munn; Matthew Spath; Kyle James; Jennifer Dantzler

Call to Order

Facilitator Kyle James, Planner II, Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Government, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. followed by welcome, introductions, quorum determination, an opening prayer by Chaplain Angela Raney, and the pledge.

Consideration of Minutes: October 25, 2024

The Multi-Agency Coordination **Group** (MAC) approved the **October 25**, 2025, Meeting Notes as presented.

Old Business

- a) The Ad Hoc Committee formed under the Policy & Procedures Committee in September formalized recommendations identified in the "Improvement Survey" conducted in early 2024. This Committee briefed the Group of those recommendations during our October meeting. Rick Dangerfield, North Charleston Fire Department, Compliance officer and Co-Chair, shared a power point that reviewed the four discussion points from our AD Hoc Planning: (1) Create an Executive Committee to oversee and/or steer the MAC Group and Enhance the overall structure, (2) Ensure tracking of the group's improvements and successes, (3) Develop a balanced scorecard or schema to show how our business activities align with our vision and strategy, help improve internal and external communications, and monitor performance against the strategic goals. Another use of the schema may be used at a glance to show that no single area/agency is dominating the group's meetings, planning, decision-making, etc., and (4) stand up a Planning Committee in addition to the Committees mentioned in the Strategic Plan. Mr. Dangerfield addressed questions and comments and the MAC Group received this as information.
- b) BCDCOG Regional Safety Plan Kyle James, Facilitator James asked the MAC Group to provide input on an Emergency Responder Traffic Safety Needs Survey instrument. By taking this survey, First Responders will help BCDCOG better understand the needs of emergency responders within our region so that we can better direct future investments towards projects, programs, and policies that will have the greatest impact on helping get our family, friends, and neighbors to their destinations safely.
- c) Chief Michael Gay recently attended the Fire Life Safety Committee meeting of The Lowcountry Rapid Transit System and shared with the purpose of the Committee, the background, schedules, when construction will begin, and an opportunity to get ahead of any problems that we may foresee. There have been two meetings so far. They discussed the type of busses that will be used the lanes that will be added and the public walk route that pedestrians will use and that first responders will be able to use the bus lane in the event of an emergency. Chief Gay will continue to provide updates to the MAC Group as they continue to meet.

Committee Reports

- a) Policy & Procedures Dave Abrams/Charles Lamoreaux Still adding updates from 2024 to the Strategic Plan and hope to have an updated copy ready to be attached with the minutes from this meeting.
- b) Communications Sam Gaither/Will Hernandez/Jared Harris/Ken Atwell No report.
- c) Training Patrick Dollason Conducted the first Tri-County Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPPW) on November 22nd and will publish our first Tri-County Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP) In January. This is a big milestone, as it marks an opportunity for all three counties to coordinate our efforts around the same Preparedness Priorities. We will schedule a committee meeting in March to continue working on a Multi-Year Training & Exercise Calendar.
- d) EM Planning Nicholas Deamer No report.

New Business

No further business to discuss.

Next meeting

The next MAC Group meeting will be on Friday, April 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at BCDCOG 5790 Casper Padgett Way, North Charleston, SC 29406, Barrett Lawrimore conference room.

Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, Facilitator James thanked everyone for attending today's meeting and adjourned the meeting at 11:09 a.m.

Please extend an invitation to all police chiefs, sheriffs, fire chiefs, emergency managers, coroners, and other leaders from your jurisdiction and neighboring jurisdictions to come to meet with us as we work together in strengthening and improving public safety coordination, response, homeland security planning, and emergency communication.

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Dantzler