

# CSEPP

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THE CHEMICAL STOCKPILE  
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS  
PROGRAM

## update

### *Practice Makes Perfect...*

*by Chuck Sprague*



On May 4th, the Pueblo Community conducted its annual Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) exercise. For the Pueblo Chemical Depot, the focus of the CSEPP exercise was for the Army to demonstrate their ability to respond to a chemical event on post. There were more than 25 evaluators on the depot evaluating the emergency operations center, operations in the Chemical Limited Area and various other response actions. There were also an additional 25 evaluators at various locations off post observing the community emergency response to this event.

At the same time as the exercise scenario on post was unfolding, Pueblo County Responders were running a separate HAZMAT scenario at the fairgrounds in Pueblo involving local teen volunteers as victims. Both exercise events were successful with the Army and its off-post partners being able to demonstrate their ability to respond to emergencies involving chemical stockpile and non-stockpile chemical releases.

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During the exercise, the community hosted both a Media and a VIP Tour. The tour participants included officials from FEMA, the U.S. Army, the Colorado State Division of Emergency Management, and local media outlets. The evaluator's final report is expected this Summer.



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## *Boone Fire Dept has something Bright, Shiny, and NEW!*

Boone Volunteer Fire Department has been one of our most important response partners for over 20 years. The men and women who volunteer their time to protect the citizens of Boone have recently received a federal grant to purchase a top-of-the-line fire truck. As Boone begins to respond in this new piece of equipment, it is the perfect time to say, we here at CSEPP Thank you for your continued dedication to your community- and your continued partnership these past two decades!



**J**oin Us at the Boone Fire Open House July 30th @ 11am - 2pm. Come see the new Fire Engine and Meet the Volunteers. There will be food, fun & games!

## *Tone Alert Radios Need Attention Too!*

### *R U RadioReady?*

Battery  
Replaced  
2005

*The Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program offers residents near the Depot a free Tone Alert Radio (TAR). The TAR is a great way to get emergency information, but there is something you need to know. During an emergency, especially a weather emergency, it is pretty likely that the power will go out. The good news is the TAR has a battery that will activate when there is no power. The bad news is those batteries only last 5 years. We have given away nearly 2000 TAR's since the program began, but we haven't replaced nearly that many batteries. That means several homes in the CSEPP area won't be able to rely on their TAR for emergency messages when they need to the most. Check your TAR today! Unless your sticker says replaced in 2007 (or later) YOU need a new battery. Call us so we can make sure your family is "radio-ready" for anything.*

**Call 719.583.6230**

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## *Livin' in the ZONE*

Since you live in the area around the Pueblo Chemical Depot, Pueblo County provides you this newsletter, an annual calendar, a Tone Alert Radio, specific outreach materials on both Sheltering-in-Place and Evacuation, and more. Your friends and family that live in the city of Pueblo may not know as much about Emergency Preparedness as you do. Next time you are gathered together, YOU can help them become ready for an emergency by sharing these 3 quick tips.

- 1.** They live too far away from the Depot for a mustard agent release to reach their home. (The Zone ends at 27th Ln.)
- 2.** They should have a 72-Hour kit too! Tell them what you know because weather emergencies can strike anywhere.
- 3.** If they have loved ones that work on depot, their employer is prepared. Both the Depot & Bechtel have emergency plans, and they practice for a mustard release often. They can trust them to take care of loved ones.

## Kids Page



Kids SAVE LIVES! Kids as young as 3-years old have called 9-1-1 during an emergency. Could you call if you needed to? ***Use this paper keypad to practice dialing 9-1-1.***

If you ever get separated from your family, would you know your home phone number? ***Use this paper keypad to practice calling your home phone number.***

In a disaster, an out-of-town number that all the family knows to call can help you all figure out where to meet if you are separated. ***Use this paper keypad to practice calling your out-of-town contact number!***

Emergency (Police, Fire & Ambulance) \_\_\_\_\_

My Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Our Family Out-of-Town Contact \_\_\_\_\_

***It is important that you know your address in an emergency too! Do you know your address?***

Pueblo County Sheriff's Office  
Emergency Services Bureau  
320 West 10th Street; B-1  
Pueblo, CO 81003-2995

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*Tornados are occuring throughout the US.  
Look in the back of your Pueblo Emer-  
gency Preparedness Calendar and double  
check that YOU know what to do if we have  
one here in Pueblo County.*

CSEPP, *the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program*, is a federally funded program designed to enhance emergency preparedness efforts of the communities located near the seven U.S. chemical weapons storage locations. Pueblo is one of those sites.

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