



HAZMAT Digest – November

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Available HazMat Training:

Upcoming Training Events:

- HM Operations–Grant County #3 Nov 12-13,19-20,Dec 3-4
- Hazmat IQ-Snohomish Co Fire #7 December 6, 2016
- HM-Operations-North Kitsap FR-Jan 6-7-8, 13-14-15, 2016
- Hazmat IQ-Wash Chief's Training Officer Conf.
 - February 28, 2016
- Hazmat Workshop-Hammer Training Ctr.
 - March 31, Apr 1-2, 2016

Click here to register: [HM Registration Form](#)

Hazmat Workshop—Hammer Training Center March 31-April 2, 2016

Scheduled Training Presentations:

- Hazmat Incident Command 3– days (Fri-Sun) 24-hr
- Hazmat Safety Officer 2-days (Sat-Sun) 16-hr
- Strategies & Tactics for Hazmat Incidents 8-hours (Sat-Sun)
- Oil Train Response-BNSF 4-hr sessions (Sat-Sun)
- Flawed Situational Awareness-The Stealth Killer of First Responders 4-hr sessions (Sat-Sun) Dr. Rich Gasaway
- More....

Railcar Incident—Liquefied Compressed Chlorine, New Martinsville, West Virginia

On August 27, 2016, about 8:26 a.m. eastern daylight time, tank car AXLX 1702, specification DOT 105J500W, experienced a sudden tank shell crack shortly after it was filled with liquefied compressed chlorine at the Axiall Corporation rail car loading facility in New Martinsville, West Virginia. During the 2 1/2 hours after the crack developed, the entire 90-ton load of chlorine released from the crack and formed a large vapor cloud that migrated south from the Axiall facility along the Ohio River valley. The weather at the time of the accident was lifting fog after sunrise, 72°F, and light wind from the north at 1 mph.

Chlorine gas presents a toxic inhalation hazard and may be fatal if inhaled or absorbed through the skin. After the release, five Axiall Corporation and three contractor employees were treated for exposure injuries and released; two people were transported to the hospital. Significant vegetation damage occurred downwind from the release. No water contamination was reported.

NTSB Preliminary Report See More: [HERE](#)



Equipment Cache Grants—WA Dept. of Ecology

Washington State has seen a dramatic shift in oil transportation recently, both in the types of oil and the locations where large quantities of oil is transported.

Governor Jay Inslee signed The Oil Transportation Safety Act (ESHB 1449) which directed the Washington State Department of Ecology to develop and implement an oil spill and hazardous materials response and firefighting grant program to build preparedness and response capacity in Washington State.

The Grant application period is now open and proposal will be accepted until November 30, 2016. Grant awards will be announced in January of 2017 with the close out of the first round of grant funds is June 30, 2017.

More information about the grant and application process can be found at the following web address;

[Click here to learn more](#)



Interesting Reading From Various Sources

Fire at Honey Oil Lab Damages Apartment Complex

Read more [here at Fire Engineering.com](#)

Fire From Alabama Pipeline Explosion Still Burning Nearly Three

Dates Later. [Read More](#)

If You Build It-Training idea. [Read Here](#)

You learn far more from negative leadership than from positive leadership. Because you learn how not to do it. And, therefore, you learn how to do it. Norman Schwarzkopf

Tech Talk—Decon on Wheels Hazmatnation.com

How is decontamination procedures addressed in our area or jurisdiction. Can you accomplish Emergency, Mass or Technical Decon effectively?

Read the article posted on www.hazmatnation.com regarding one agency's approach to handle decontamination. [Read here](#)

Contact us to schedule Hazardous Materials training for 2017	HM-Safety Officer 16-hour
HM Awareness 8-hour	HM-On Scene IC 24-hour
HM-Operations 48-hour	Chemistry 40-hour
HM-Technician 40-hour	Scott Lancaster-DSFM HM
HazMat IQ 8-hour	360-596-3930
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