

Memorandum

**To:** South Dakota State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)  
**From:** Rhett Howard, HMEP Grant Administrator  
**Date:** September 8th, 2021  
**Re:** Quarterly FFY2019 / FFY2020 HMEP Grant Report

**FFY 2019 HMEP Grant Awarded to South Dakota: \$143,249.00**

**Amounts Spent:**

- Federal Share: **\$104,390.74**
- Non-Federal Share (Match): **\$25,901.49**
- Total: **\$130,292.23**

**FFY 2019 Total Remaining To-Date: \$12,956.77**

**HMEP19 Grant Year**

- There have been (22) HMEP19 projects completed (training & planning, PPE purchases) from October 1, 2019 through August 6th, 2021.
- Sioux Falls Fire & Rescue: (4) Swiftwater Spill Tech, Hazmat Transport Spec. Training (converted to PPE), IAFC Conference (converted to PPE), PPE purchase.
- Aberdeen Fire & Rescue: (5) HazMat IQ, ARFF Fall Burn, ARFF Spring Burn, Cold Zone Conference (converted to PPE), Int. Hazmat Res. Team (converted to PPE).
- Watertown Fire & Rescue: (4) ARFF Live Burn Class, Hazmat Trans. Spec. Training (converted to PPE), Cold Zone Conference (converted to PPE), Cont. Challenges Conf. (converted to PPE).
- Rapid City Fire & Rescue: (2) HazMat Transportation Specialist, Cargo Tank Specialist (converted to PPE).
- Codington County: (2) separate HazMat Operations courses.
- Edmunds County: (3) Awareness Level Course, Awareness Course, HazMat Re-Write.
- Grant County: (1) Hazmat Transportation (converted to PPE)
- Potter County: (1) Hazmat Plan Re-write.
- Some of HMEP19 grant money previously allocated for training and planning that were converted to PPE purchasing funds have not been totally depleted. Rapid City Fire Rescue (1) and Watertown Fire Rescue (1).

**FFY 2020 HMEP Grant Awarded to South Dakota: \$ 150,153.00**

**Amounts Spent:**

- Federal Share: **\$15,028.28**
- Non-Federal Share (Match): **\$3,707.25**
- Total: **\$18,735.53**

**FFY 2020 Total Remaining To-Date: \$131,417.47**

**HMEP20 Grant Year**

- The grant award for FY 2020 was issued by the U.S. Department of Transportation/Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration (DOT/PHMSA), effective October 1st, 2020. The total federal award amount is \$150,153.00. The seven sub-grantees participating in HMEP20 will be Aberdeen Fire & Rescue, Rapid City Fire & Rescue, Sioux Falls Fire & Rescue, Watertown Fire & Rescue, Codington County, Deuel County, and Edmunds County. There are 24 grants for training and there are 2 grants for planning in HMEP20.
- There have been two requests for reimbursement from Codington County for Hazmat Awareness and Hazmat Operations training for the grant year HMEP20 of \$1,500.00 each for a total of \$3,000.00.
- Aberdeen Fire Rescue has attained an additional \$864.00 through an Activity Request to PHMSA for their Decon-Tect Train the Trainer class that had been cancelled and re-offered as a two-week class vs the original one-week class. The original one-week class grant was \$1,862.00 and is now a two-week class with the total cost being \$2,726.00.
- Aberdeen Fire Rescue submitted a request for reimbursement on 8/6/21 for the Decon-Tect Train the Trainer class totaling \$2,532.03. One first responder attended this class.
- Aberdeen Fire Rescue submitted a request for reimbursement on 6/15/21 for their ARFF Spring Live Burn training. The HMEP grant obtained for this training is \$4,950.00. 19 first responders attended this training that was held in Aberdeen.
- Aberdeen Fire Rescue, through an Activity Request to PHMSA, has moved their HMEP20 grant for the IAFC HazMat Conference (\$4,209.00) in order to host a homemade explosives (HME-IQ) class to be held in Aberdeen for 30 first responders. AFR also depleted their remaining HMEP19 grant money, \$830.40, to help fund the HME-IQ class.
- Sioux Falls Fire Rescue had their 40-hour HazMat Emergency Response Tech class cancelled (\$3,160.00). Through an Activity Request to PHMSA, this grant money was moved to SFFR's Flammable Liquid Bulk Storage class (\$3,585.00), this grant total is now \$6745.00.
- Sioux Falls Fire Rescue chose to not attend their IAFC HazMat Conference (\$4,180.00), which has been moved to a virtual conference format. Through an Activity Request to PHMSA, this conference grant money has been moved to SFFR's WRI Swiftwater Spill Response grant(\$12,760.00). Total grant money for this WRI Swiftwater Spill Response grant total is now \$16,940.00.



- Watertown Fire Rescue, through an Activity Request to PHMSA, have removed \$1,333.00 from their HMEP20 Cold Zone Conference grant (\$3,340.00) in order to send 3 personnel to Aberdeen for the Cargo Tank Emergency Response Specialist Workshop hosted by Aberdeen Fire Rescue. The remaining balance of the HMEP20 Cold Zone Conference grant is now \$2,007.00.
- DOT/PHMSA are continuing to allow Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to be purchased in lieu of the missed training opportunities that continue to be experienced in 2021 due to the Covid-19 issues. This opportunity has never been offered in the time since the HMEP grant inception. The State of South Dakota and the participating sub-grantees are very appreciative of having the opportunity to re-allocate grant monies previously intended for training and planning.

