



**Burnet County
Office Emergency Management**

**Burnet County CERT
General Meeting
Agri-Life, 607 N Vandever St,
South Wing, Rm 13, Burnet, Tex.
October 9, 2025- 1800 Hours**



Call to Order: Brenda Conn, President

Minutes from August 21, 2025 - Posted (19 attended)

Minutes from September 18, 2025 - Posted (6 attended)

OFFICER REPORTS:

**Brenda Conn- Chair & Membership, Lynn Smith- Vice-Chair,
Ann Hoskins- Secretary, Vee Brown- Web Master, Toni Hauer- Logistics,
Jim Gallagher,-Support Position, Robyn Richter- Training**

CERT Executive Staff Report – Derek Marchio

NEW BUSINESS:

Bopate - October 25, 2025

New class rescheduled till next year - TBA

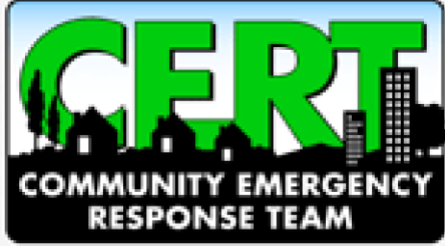
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

General Meeting - January 8, 2026

Officers Meeting - December 11, 2025

ADJOURN

Training - Basic Go Bags



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BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Brenda Conn, Lynn Smith, Robyn Richter, Jim Gallagher, Ann Hoskins

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Brenda Conn at 1800 Hours.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from August 21, 2025, General Meeting and September 18, 2025, Officer's Meeting were approved as posted on the website.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Brenda Conn reminded to sign in using military clock.

Lynn Smith will coordinate volunteers for BOPATE on October 25, 2025. Currently there are 5 volunteers and email will be sent to membership for additional volunteers.

Ann Hoskins reported CERT Administrative Policy C303, CERT Board Governance Structure C305, and Active CERT Members Policies C306 are changed and reformatted and waiting on Derek approval.

Robyn Richter reported the next class will be on a yet to be determined date and will include Saturday training. Possibly a "STOP the Bleed" in November 2025.

CERT EXECUTIVE STAFF REPORT: Derek Marchio reported on recovery in Burnet County after the July 4th flooding. The individual assistance was extended to September 28, 2025 and millions of FEMA dollars has been available for the Highland Lakes area. ARK of the Highland Lakes still has 200 cases open out of 500 cases and they have purchased 20 RVs for homes. There are 104 cases

with major rebuilds outstanding. Derek reminded about the 2018 flood and it was 2023 before rebuilding was completed.

Next, Derek discussed infrastructure rebuilding as a 2 part mitigation of:

- clean up current debris from creeks
- removal of brush so water is able to flow

He stated fires are likely due to lots of vegetation growth from the rains, but since fall the dormant threshold for fire is lower. The Heat/Fire/Dry indicator goes from 0 to 800 and currently the area is at 580 which means approximately 6 inches of rain is required to saturate the soil. Weather prediction for rest of year is warmer and drier than normal with low humidity. Also, different areas of the Burnet County are drier than others.

Derek stated large fields need to be kept mowed to help with fire preventative. He is waiting on a report from the National Weather Bureau for the flood level. The chance of a 1000 year flood is 1%, a 500 year flood is 5%, and a 100 year flood is 10%.

NEXT MEETINGS

- Officers Meeting - December 11, 2025
- General Meeting - January 8, 2026

ADJOURN @ 1835

Training by Jim Gallagher on GO BAGS

Basic Grab and GO BAG, Shelter in Place BAG, Long Term Bag

TEXASREADY.gov (a good resource)

Submitted by Ann Hoskins