

# AWR 147

## Rail Car Incident Response

### Course Description

AWR 147 is an 8-hour, DHS/FEMA-certified, tuition-free, awareness-level course developed to educate rural emergency responders on freight rail car incidents involving hazardous materials. Because most freight rail traffic traverses rural areas, it is imperative that rural responders, especially those in resource-limited areas, understand the dangers and other unique hazards these incidents present. Safeguards are commonly implemented to prevent hazardous materials from causing harm under normal transportation, storage, handling, and use. If any of these safeguards are circumvented, there is potential for great harm. Upon completion of this course, participants will be better prepared to respond to a freight rail car incident without endangering the health and safety of responders.

Topics include (but are not limited to):

- Design, construction, components and markings of rail tank cars
- Recognition and identification of chemicals being transported
- Scene assessment and identification of potential hazards
- Mitigation strategies for breached freight cars
- Key resources identification from rail/freight industry as well as federal, state, and private resources

### Audience

First responders, fire-fighters, law enforcement, emergency management personnel, community stakeholders, including railroad representatives.

### Course Tuition

No tuition fee. Travel costs may be grant eligible for local responder agencies. Contact your respective county/tribal emergency manager.

### Date(s) & Time(s)

May 18th, 2023  
8am-5pm MST

### Location

Lincoln County Community Center  
201 South Beverly St.  
Shoshone, ID 83352

### Registration

**Dual registration is required.**

**Use the links to register at:**

<https://www.idahoprepares.com>

and [RDPC](#)

**Registration closes on:**

**May 4th, 2023**

For questions about registration, visit [www.ioem.idaho.gov/idaho-prepares-faqs/](http://www.ioem.idaho.gov/idaho-prepares-faqs/).

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