



To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority

From: Craig Dziedzic, General Manager

Date: July 14, 2016

Re: Item 3: General Manager's Report

Staff Recommendation:

No recommendation – for discussion only

Action or Discussion Items:

- (a) 2016 National Homeland Security Conference (Discussion Only)
- (b) PRND Training Demonstration (Discussion Only)
- (c) Countering Violent Extremism Grant Program
- (d) Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop Series (JCTAWS)
- (e) Management Team Update (Discussion Only)
- (f) Management Team Tracking Tool and Future Agenda Items (Discussion Only)

Discussion:

(a) FY 2016 National Homeland Security Conference (Discussion Only)

The National Homeland Security Conference took place in Tampa, FL from June 28-30, 2016. A few of the keynote speakers included Mayor Bob Buckhorn, City of Tampa, Bryan Koon, Director, FL Div. of Emergency Management, and Tim Manning, Deputy Administer, Protection and National Preparedness, FEMA. The BAUASI Management Team and the NCRIC presented and/or participated in a number of track sessions, including the following: Cyber Security for Critical Infrastructure, Gaining Real-Time Situational Awareness During Super Bowls 48 and 50, and Integrating the THIRA into Risk Based Planning, and Integrating EOCs within a Tactical Exercise.

Additionally, the CCU members held their quarterly meeting at the conference. Brian Kamoie, Assistant Administrator, Grants Program Directorate, FEMA, met with the CCU to discuss grant matters. The next CCU meeting is scheduled for August 12 and 13 in Sacramento, CA.

(b) PRND Demonstration/Exercise (Discussion Only)

On June 22, 2016, the PRND Focus Group, in collaboration with the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO), successfully hosted an Advanced Technology Demonstration (ATD) at AT&T Park. This event was designed to introduce local, state, and federal first responders to the Intelligent Radiation Sensor System (IRSS) project and demonstrate how radiation alarm information can be shared for situational awareness. The tool creates a radiation background map

which geo-locates and identifies a stationary radioactive source. It is also designed to provide radiation mapping and detection, alarm notification, risk assessments, and isotope identification capabilities. These capabilities are critical to the support of the PRND mission during large-scale public events that regularly take place throughout the San Francisco Bay region.

During the demonstration, the Intelligent Radiation Sensor System (IRSS) was tested by 44 participants from agencies such as: Fire and Hazmat units (San Francisco, Alameda County, & San Jose), Law enforcement agencies (San Francisco PD & Sacramento Sheriff), Santa Clara County OES, the NCRIC, the FBI, TSA, the Dept. of Energy, and various Civil Support teams.

(c) Countering Violent Extremism Grant Program Announcement

On July 6, the Department of Homeland Security issued a notice of funding opportunity announcement for the new Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) Grant Program, the first federal grant funding available to non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and institutions of higher education to carry out countering violent extremism programs. A total of \$10 million dollars will be awarded to a projected 60 grantees through a competitive, panel-reviewed application process. Grants will range in size from \$20,000 to \$1,500,000 and will be distributed through these five focus areas:

- Developing resilience
- Training and engaging with community members
- Managing intervention activities
- Challenging the narrative
- Building capacity of community-level non-profit organizations active in CVE

Applications are due by September 6, 2016 and the Management Team will be applying for this grant.

(d) Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop Series (JCTAWS)

On July 12 and 13, San Francisco hosted a regional workshop sponsored by the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC), the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop Series (JCTAWS) is a nationwide initiative designed to improve the ability of local jurisdictions to prepare for, protect against, and respond to complex terrorist attacks. Workshops have been held in cities across the U.S., and bring together federal, state, and local participants representing law enforcement, fire, emergency medical services, communication centers, private sector communities, and non-government organizations to address the threat of a complex terrorist attack involving violent extremists.

The workshop is designed to focus on the tactical operational response, medical care under fire, hospital surge, and treatment for an incident more commonly seen on the battlefield than in an urban setting. Following the workshop, the Bay Area will receive a summary report that

includes materials from the workshop, key findings about shortfalls and best practices, and offers potential mitigation strategies and resources to address identified gaps. A follow-up meeting will be convened 6-8 weeks after the workshop, where NCTC delivers the report to the host and their designated invitees. Local FBI and DHS representatives attend this meeting to provide their agency's information about existing resources.

(e) Management Team Update

On July 8, 2016, interviews for the Risk Management/Information Sharing Project Manager position were conducted. Follow-up interviews will occur the week of July 11.

Mason Feldman, our Emergency Services Assistant, is no longer working for the Management Team as he has accepted a position with an outside organization. We have begun conducting a search to fill the position whose duties involve coordinating the logistics of Approval Authority Meetings as well office management and administrative support.

(f) Management Team Tracking Tool and Future Agenda Items

Attached as Appendix A is the Management Team Tracking Tool. Members may submit future agenda items to the General Manager.