

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

National Capital Region Emergency Preparedness Council

Date: Thursday, November 6, 2003
Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Location: COG Board Room-Third Floor
777 North Capitol Street NE
Washington, DC 20002

AGENDA

1. Welcome, Introductions, and Approval of Minutes (2:00-2:05)

Chair Mary K. Hill, EPC

Recommended Action: Approve October 2, 2003 Minutes.

2. Program Administration Update (2:05-2:15)

David Robertson, COG

- RICCS Administration
- Mutual Aid Legislation
- EPC Meeting Schedule for 2004
- COG Annual Meeting – December 11

Recommended Action: COG staff will provide updates on key program administration issues.

3. NCR/UASI Implementation Conference and Project Implementation (2:15-2:45)

Michael Byrne, DHS/ONCRC

David Robertson, COG Executive Director

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security sponsored a conference on October 22 to review the planning, training, exercise and equipment projects approved for FY 2003 UASI funding. The CAOs Committee provided extensive review and input on proposed projects in August and September. Mr. Byrne will highlight UASI governance policies, conference outcomes and next steps to award UASI funds in the National Capital Region. Mr. Robertson will highlight projects awaiting funding action and several projects undergoing additional committee review and action.

Recommended Action: Receive briefing.

4. Hurricane Isabel After Action Status and Power Summit (2:45-3:00)

David Robertson, Executive Director

COG staff will report on the status of Hurricane Isabel after action efforts underway and the previous endorsement by the CAOs Committee, the COG Board and the EPC for COG to sponsor a regional power summit in January 2004 addressing critical infrastructure issues. Staff will propose the creation of a conference/exercise planning committee and funding options.

Recommended Action: Receive briefing, identify representatives to a planning committee and endorse funding options.

5. Update on Enhancements to the Transportation and Evacuation Components of the District of Columbia Emergency Response Plan and the Regional Emergency Coordination Plan (3:00-3:30)

*Michelle Pourciau and Natalie Jones, District of Columbia Department of Transportation
David Snyder, City of Falls Church Council and Chair, Emergency Transportation Work Group*

The EPC will be briefed on two coordinated efforts. The first is the District of Columbia Department of Transportation's development of enhancements to the transportation and evacuation components of the District of Columbia Emergency Response Plan, notably addressing specifics of the District's personnel and response actions. The second effort is COG's revision and expansion of the Regional Emergency Evacuation Transportation Coordination Annex of the Regional Emergency Coordination Plan (RECP), now underway. This annex revision will address in detail the coordination of a wide range of emergency situations impacting regional transportation systems. The effort will be supported by expanded and improved background technical information. The undertaking also will develop guidance materials for conducting an ongoing series of scenario analysis workshops (covering the range of emergency transportation situations) in 2004 and beyond. The EPC will be briefed on the results of the first in this series of workshops held October 29.

Recommended Action: Receive briefing, review draft materials and provide feedback on workshops.

6. DHS/ONCRC and State Updates (3:30-3:50)

*Representative, DHS, Office of National Capital Region Coordination
State Emergency Management Agency Representatives*

- DHS/ONCRC Updates
- District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia Updates

Recommended Action: Receive briefing.

7. New Business/Next Meeting (3:50-4:00)

EPC Members

Proposed next meeting January 8, 2004 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at COG.

Recommended Action: Discussion and approve next meeting date.

8. Adjournment (4:00)