

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
National Capital Region Emergency Preparedness Council**

**Date:** Wednesday, October 11, 2006  
**Time:** 2:00 p.m. – Arrival/Networking  
2:15 p.m. – Convene Meeting  
4:15 p.m. – Adjourn Meeting  
**Location:** Training Center, Lobby Level  
777 North Capitol Street NE  
Washington, DC 20002

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**AGENDA**

**1. INTRODUCTIONS, APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
(2:15-2:20)**

*Gerry Connolly, Chairman, Fairfax County  
Chairman, Emergency Preparedness Council*

*David Robertson, Executive Director,  
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.*

Announcements:

- Proposed Schedule for 2007
- Year-end Review of Adopted Work Program

**Recommended Action: Approve September 13 minutes and adopt proposed 2007 schedule.**

**2. STRATEGIC PLAN FOLLOW-UP  
(2:20-2:40)**

*Tony Griffin, Fairfax County*

*Calvin Smith, COG*

The EPC adopted the Homeland Security Strategic Plan at a special September 13 meeting. Completion of the Strategic Plan was one of the EPC's four priorities for 2006. The previous draft of the Strategic Plan received criticism from Members of Congress as well as the U.S. Government Accountability Office staff. Mr. Griffin will summarize feedback from a recent Senate hearing on the Strategic Plan and a GAO evaluation. Staff will brief the EPC on its proposed oversight role for the Strategic Plan.

**Recommended Action: Presentation and discussion of EPC's oversight role.**

**3. URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE UPDATE AND PROPOSALS TO TRACK  
OTHER FUNDING  
(2:40-3:00)**

*Steve Kral, District of Columbia  
UASI State Administrative Agent*

Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grants awarded by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to the National Capital Region have funded many regional and local priorities and have leveraged additional local, state and federal resources. Staff will summarize the status of previously awarded funds, approved FY 2006 grants, and the work plan and schedule for the FY 2007 grant cycle. Staff will also respond to congressional requests to broaden tracking of UASI funds to include other local, state and federal resources targeted to homeland security in the National Capital Region.

**Recommended Action: Presentation and discussion of other fund tracking.**

**4. AFTER-ACTION REPORT ON LONDON BOMBINGS  
(3:00-3:30)**

*Col. Denton Rourke, Prince George's Co. Fire Dept.*

London experienced terrorist bombings on its rail and bus transportation system in July 2005. The British government completed an after-action report in September 2006 that may hold valuable lessons for the National Capital Region, which sent a delegation to London in November 2005 to study the London incident and response. The delegation lead, Colonel Denton Rourke of Prince George's County, will brief the EPC on lessons learned from the visit with the London Fire Brigade and specific action steps that the COG Fire Chiefs Committee has taken to incorporate the lessons learned into its Metro Subway Security Initiative, funded by a FY 2006 UASI grant. The EPC will also discuss how the London study and other after-action reports are to be incorporated into ongoing planning in the National Capital Region.

**Recommended Action: Presentation and discussion of National Capital Region priorities.**

**5. TRAINING AND EXERCISE PROGRAM  
(3:30-3:40)**

*Chris Voss, D.C. Emergency Management Agency*

The Senior Policy Group (SPG) and the Chief Administrative Officers (CAO's) have provided funding to Exercise and Training Operations Panel (ETOP) to support training and exercise initiatives submitted by Regional Emergency Support Functions (R-ESFs) and Regional Program Working Groups (RPWGs). Chris Voss will provide a summary of training and exercise activities supported by ETOP over the past year and projected activities for the next several months. Mr. Voss will also briefly review the Emergency Management "Pocket Guide" that is being developed for National Capitol Region Officials by ETOP in coordination with the SPG and the CAO's.

**Recommended Action: Presentation.**

**6. NON-GOVERNMENT STAKEHOLDERS ROUNDTABLE  
(3:40-4:00)**

*Representatives, Non-Governmental Stakeholders*

Business, non-profit, civic and educational stakeholders have played significant roles on emergency preparedness and response in the National Capital Region. Stakeholder representatives will be invited to make brief (2 to 3 minute) presentations on significant regional or local achievements that warrant attention or follow up by the EPC.

**Recommended Action: Presentations.**

**7. NEW BUSINESS**  
**(4:00-4:15)**

*Chairman Connolly*

Chairman Connolly will invite members to share information or recommend topics for the next meeting.

**Recommended Action: Discussion.**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**  
**(4:15)**

*Chairman Connolly*

The next meeting of the EPC will be held on January 10, 2007, from 2:00-4:15 pm in the COG Training Center.