Summary of Proposed Emergency Preparedness Council 2016 Priorities

Priority	Major Actions
Regional Strategic Leadership Priorities: Provide strategic guidance on key regional homeland security initiatives through the development of a regional strategic plan, participation in leadership activities, and policy/coordination guidance	• Provide input into the development of Regional Capability Targets and the NCR Homeland Security Strategic Plan • Participate in Senior Leadership Preparedness Activities • Provide suggestions to enhance Cyber Incident Regional Coordination
Regional Communications Priorities: Promote communications with individuals and businesses within the NCR community prior to, during, and after emergencies	• Encourage local, state, and federal governments, private non-profits, the private sector, and others to insure that employees/residents are well informed in emergency situations • Encourage RESF-15 members to insure that residents are well informed prior to, during, and after emergency situations • Maintain interoperable communications across emergency responders
Select Regional Capability Priorities: Provide guidance on specific activities that promote a strong foundation of preparing for, responding to, and recovering from all-hazard incidents, particularly those pertaining to Metro	• Maintain oversight of Metro Rail Preparedness and Response Capabilities • Provide input into Complex Coordinated Attack (CCA) Regional Capabilities Assessment • Improve interoperability/understanding of the roles and responsibilities of MATOC, IC3, and the FEMA ONCRC 24/7 Operation • Improved preparedness for a nuclear or radiological incident in the NCR • Encourage COG member jurisdictions to maintain or establish a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

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Regional Strategic Leadership Priorities

Priority/Capability	Actions/Outcomes/Status	EPC Role
Regional Capability Targets and NCR Homeland Security Strategic Plan	**Actions:** • Receive overview of the effort to develop regional homeland security capability targets, including how the targets will guide the development of the NCR Homeland Security Strategic Plan and other Homeland Security Activities, including the annual THIRA and UASI Grants • Receive updates on progress of Capability Targets, Homeland Security Strategic Plan, UASI Grants and THIRA, as appropriate **Outcomes:** • Initial regional capability targets are developed that impact the THIRA and NCR Homeland Security Strategic Plan • Revised NCR Homeland Security Strategic Plan released **Status:** • On April 6 the Senior Policy Group-Chief Administrative Officers Homeland Security Executive Committee (SPG-CAO HSEC) made a decision on FY 2016 UASI funding for the 80% regional pass-through amount of $42,647,200. The funding is allocated to support and maintain critical public safety, emergency management, health, and situational awareness capabilities. As well as build new capabilities to limit or counteract a complex coordinated attack (CCA). • 11 priority capabilities were identified to serve as interim strategic guidance until the Strategic Plan is revised. The Senior Policy Group - Chief Administrative Officer Homeland Security Executive Committee (SPG-CAO HSEC) provided guidance that the capability targets should serve as the foundation for the Strategic Plan. Therefore, the deadline for the Strategic Plan was extended to fall 2016. • A Core Urban Area Security Initiative Work Group for the NCR (ERSs, State Program Managers, and NCR PMO) is working with Regional Planners to conduct the THIRA and develop capability targets during the spring and summer 2016.	• Provide feedback on the concept of NCR Regional Capability Targets and their applicability to the NCR Homeland Security Strategic Plan, THIRA and UASI process • Review and provide feedback on draft regional targets as they are developed • Provide feedback on drafts of the NCR Homeland Security Plan • Approve and issue Strategic Plan
Senior Leadership Preparedness	**Actions:** • Participate in NCR EPC Senior Leader Seminar (SLS) **Outcomes:**	• Participate in SLS • Receive and provide feedback on SLS after action reports • Monitor progress of corrective actions

• Provide oversight for implementing AAR & Corrective Action Plan <u>Status</u>: • UASI Funding was not approved for NCR EPC SLS in FY15 or FY16 • RESF 15 holding a Mini Table Top Exercise as part of the May 11, 2016 EPC meeting focused on regional public communications coordination • EPC members as appropriate are being invited to participate exercises being conducted by local jurisdictions, MD, VA, and DC Emergency Response Systems, WMATA, and others	.

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Regional Communications Priorities

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Communications with Residents Before, During and After Emergencies	**Actions:** • Encourage RESF-15 to develop a major new regional emergency preparedness public outreach campaign that includes scheduled activities to test the use of various techniques and messaging points • Encourage RESF-15 to continue its focus on the use of social media in emergency situations and highlight those techniques as appropriate **Outcomes:** • Residents throughout the region are well informed throughout an emergency situation **Status:** • In 2015, RESF 15 completed a comprehensive National Capital Region Crisis Communications Guide. The process involved the use of expert consultants and the involvement of PIOs from around the region. The plan addresses Roles and Responsibilities, Regional Coordination Activities, Social Media Guidelines, PIO Contact Information and many other topics. • RESF 15 requested and received FY 2016 UASI funding to conduct a coordinated NCR Readiness Campaign to educate residents and commuters about available NCR preparedness resources. In early April the SPG-CAO HSEC approved spending $250,000 on the project. • Members of RESF 15 regularly use social media to deliver a variety of preparedness message. This year, two RESF subcommittees have been especially active in that regard. The Health PIOs now meet monthly to discuss and update messages on the Zika virus and other hazards. The Water PIOs continue to be very active in delivering preparedness information and messages on the issue of lead contamination in local water systems.	• Provide guidance and input to the RESF-15 emergency preparedness outreach campaign • Encourage local, state, and federal governments, private non-profits, the private sector, and others to ensure that employees are well informed in emergency situations
Business Preparedness	**Actions:** Encourage local jurisdictions, Board of Trade, the American Red Cross, and others to support Business Preparedness Workshop(s) to improve business preparedness in the NCR **Outcomes:**	• Provide input into Business Preparedness Workshop(s) • Promote workshop(s) among partners across region

	- Increased number of businesses prepared for active shooter and multi-day emergency situations Status: - The Board of Trade, the Red Cross, and COG have partnered with the FBI to provide updates to the business community subsequent to the Paris and Brussels attacks and will continue to do when situations warrant in the future - Emergency Management Agencies throughout the region have been reaching out to the Business Community in their geographic areas with Preparedness information and activities - The region's Fusion Centers are developing cleared/unclassified products and sharing them with the business community, especially those businesses considered to Critical Infrastructure and/or Key Resources (CI/KR) - Law Enforcement agencies have also been reaching out to the business community to partner on public safety and emergency preparedness	

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Select Regional Capability Priorities

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Cyber Incident Regional Coordination	**Actions:** • Validate the NCR-specific Cyber incident assumptions in the NCR THIRA • Finalize the development of the Cyber Annex to the RECP • Consider conducting workshop for NCR state and local officials **Outcomes:** • Improved regional coordination across cyber-related entities • Documented regional roles, responsibilities, and concept of operations for a cyber-related incident **Status:** • DHS and FBI subject matter experts will provide the EPC with a cyber threat update in September • Regional Cyber Annex is under review by the CISO Subcommittee as part of the overall RECP revision process	• Receive Cyber threat update from DHS/FEMA and encourage regional partners to address as appropriate • Receive updates from RESF-2-CIOs and CISOs on policy and procedural issues • Approve and issue Cyber Annex to Regional Emergency Coordination Plan (RECP)
Metro Rail Preparedness and Response Capabilities	**Actions:** • Receive updates on progress of efforts to improve WMATA Preparedness and Response • Receive after action briefs on WMATA's 2016 series of TTX and FSE **Outcomes:** • Improved WMATA Preparedness and Response Capabilities **Status:** • COG released a research study on Metro underground interoperable communications in 2015 with 21 recommendations for Metrorail jurisdictions, WMATA, and cell phone carriers • All recommendations are being addressed currently and the majority of funding sources have been identified • COG first responder committees identified regional priorities among the recommendations and are continuously tracking implementation progress	• Receive after action reports from 2016 WMATA TTXs and FSE, and provide feedback • Encourage regional partners to take action to address regional gaps identified in AARs/IPs
Complex Coordinated Attack (CCA) Regional Capabilities	**Actions:** • Receive briefing on the assessment process • Receive briefing on next steps after assessment is completed **Outcomes:**	• Encourage appropriate regional partners to take action as appropriate to address regional gaps identified in assessment

	• Improved preparedness for CCA Status: • The Emergency Managers will be leading an effort in coordination with the Fire Chiefs, Police Chiefs and jurisdictional Training and Exercise Officers to implement a UASI funded CCA Preparedness Program focused on acquiring specialized equipment and practicing unified command and coordination around expanding CCA scenarios • A variety of projects are moving forward in FY 16 that will procure equipment and advance systems critical for emergency response to and situational awareness during a CCA (refer to approved FY16 project list indicating CCA-aligned proposals) • The Emergency Managers are conducting a comprehensive review of how incident command has traditionally been practiced in the NCR to identify opportunities for improving the ability of EOC personnel and other critical personnel to effectively operate during a crisis	
Interoperable Communications Regional Program Working Group and Emergency Communications Centers	Actions: • Receive updates on the findings and recommendations of the Metro Interoperable Communications Working Group • Review roles and responsibilities of MATOC, IC3, and the FEMA ONCRC 24/7 operation to identify synergies among the groups through a facilitated discussion Outcomes: • Integrated and synchronized regional interoperability activities Status: • The Interoperable Communications Regional Program Working Group was convened with SPG-CAO HSEC approval in April; Jim Schwartz, Arlington County, is the Chair • The group will start with a review and analysis of the NCR Strategic Voice Communications Plan and Radio Capabilities Assessment to determine options for operationalization	• Provide feedback on the findings and encourage responsible parties to take timely action to address findings and recommendations • Participate in a facilitated discussion of MATOC, IC3, and the FEMA ONCRC 24/7 operation and offer any identified suggested synergies
Nuclear/ Radiological Preparedness	Actions: • Receive updates on progress of the Securing The Cities (STC) Grant Outcomes: • Improved Radiological/Nuclear preparedness in the NCR	• Encourage regional partners to participate in the STC Regional Grant Program

	<u>Status:</u> • Finalizing FY14/15 Application Narratives for DNDO to release $13.25M. DCHSEMA assisting drafting RFPs for PRND equipment, providing CAOs with MOUs/Addendums for reimbursement backfill/overtime for training • Trained 354 1st Responders, 1100+ will complete training by end of 2016. Drafting FY16 Application Narrative to submit to DNDO for $5.4M of additional PRND equipment and reimbursement for training	
Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT)	<u>Actions:</u> • Encourage COG member jurisdictions to establish or maintain at least one CERT <u>Outcomes:</u> • COG member jurisdictions that have established or maintained at least one CERT will be recognized by the EPC Chair at the November EPC meeting <u>Status:</u> • 15 active CERT Programs in the NCR have trained more than 17,500 volunteer members in courses such as ICS/NIMS, Animal response, Basic First Aid, Search & Rescue, and Mass Care/Shelter Operations • Programs are engaged and actively participate with their local, state and federal partner agencies in drills and full-scale exercises • Examples of activities to which the CERTs have responded include flood/hurricane conditions, excessive heat, missing person search, winter storm, and pandemic influenza	• Recognize COG member jurisdictions that have established or maintained at least one CERT based on data being maintained by FEMA • Recognize member jurisdiction CERTs that were successfully activated to respond to a major emergency