



**To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority**  
**From: Craig Dzedzic, Bay Area UASI General Manager**  
**Date: January 8, 2015**  
**Re: Item #3: General Manager's Report**

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**Recommendations:**

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- (b) FY 2015 Grant Programs and the Continuing Resolution (Discussion Only).
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- (d) Approval of the 2015 Approval Authority Meeting Calendar (Discussion, Possible Action).

**Action or Discussion Items:**

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**Discussion/Description:**

**(a) UASI FY 2015 Project Proposal Update (Discussion Only)**

All submitted projects were reviewed by our Project Managers and each proposer was given the opportunity to correct any compliance issues. On December 22, an email invitation for the Hub Prioritization meeting was sent to each Hub and its voting members. It is at these meetings that Hub members will review the list of proposals and prioritize them, both above and below the line. Some Hubs have decided to meet on their own to determine the project prioritization ranking for the FY15 UASI grant year without the assistance of the Bay Area UASI Management Team.

On February 26, the UASI Advisory Group will meet and review the prioritized proposals and make recommendations to the UASI Approval Authority. The Approval Authority will decide whether to approve the recommended hub project submissions at the April 2015 meeting.

**(b) FY 2015 Grant Programs and the Continuing Resolution (Discussion Only)**

The *Consolidated and Further Appropriations Act, 2015* (Public Law No 113-235) (or Continuing Resolution), passed by Congress and signed by President Obama on Dec. 16, 2014 does not provide the Dept. of Homeland Security (DHS) with a full year's appropriation and continues to place DHS under a Continuing Resolution through at least Feb. 27, 2015.

The Continuing Resolution delays the start of FEMA's FY 2015 grant cycle because FEMA cannot administer Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 grant programs without a final FY 2015 appropriation. The length of the delay is dependent on the enactment of a full year's Continuing Resolution, either in the form of a stand-alone DHS Appropriations Act or a full-year's continuing resolution. FEMA cannot begin implementing FY 2015 grant programs until the President signs a final FY 2015 spending bill.

**(c) The 2015 National Homeland Security Conference (Discussion Only)**

The 8th Annual National Homeland Security Conference, hosted by the National Homeland Security Association (NHSA) and the City of San Antonio will be held June 9 - 11, 2015 along the Riverwalk in San Antonio, Texas at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center. Information regarding the agenda and registration will be forthcoming on the NHSA website: [www.nationaluasi.com](http://www.nationaluasi.com).

**(d) Approval of the 2015 Calendar of Approval Authority Meetings (Discussion, Possible Action)**

For the 2015 calendar year, staff requests that the time and place of the Approval Authority meetings occur at 10:00 AM at the Alameda County Sheriff's Office OES on the second Thursday of each month, except for the months of March, June, September, and December. Attached as appendix A is the proposed 2015 Calendar of Approval Authority Meetings.