



To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority

From: Craig Dzedzic, General Manager

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RE: Item #3: General Manager's Report

Recommendations: Discussion only.

Action or Discussion Items:

- (a) FY 2014 Proposal Cycle Feedback (Discussion Only)
- (b) Management Team Update (Discussion Only)
- (c) Homeland Security Conference Update (Discussion Only)

Discussion/Description:

- (a) FY 2014 Proposal Cycle Feedback

As we did last year, the Management Team solicited feedback from our regional stakeholders concerning the FY 2014 Proposal Cycle. In general, the feedback was very positive, with the majority of the responses favoring the kick-off webinar, on-line project submittal process, and the ability to propose regional projects. We continue to accept suggestions for improving and streamlining the process.

- (b) Management Team Update

CA Statewide Data Coordinator Position

Caroline Thomas Jacobs has been selected for the Statewide Data Coordinator position. She will be working out of the State Threat Assessment Center (STAC) under Captain Greg Ferrero with an approximate start date of May 12th. In her first weeks, Caroline will be getting up to speed on the RMS Node Administrators' projects and the UASIs/STAS statewide risk management and

common operating picture projects. Her duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:

- a. Facilitate the design and implementation of regional data sharing nodes, assisting with all aspects of a successful node, including but not limited to: governance, cost sharing models, agency implementation efforts and technology infrastructure design.
- b. Create a statewide strategic plan for information sharing focused on how to best implement data sharing nodes in California to ensure programmatic sustainability.
- c. Establish and facilitate regular meetings between key stakeholder and participating agencies to ensure information sharing is expanding and growing in California.
- d. Develop and implement a statewide data sharing use policy.
- e. Develop repeatable solution for data sharing node integration and document the associated process and lessons learned.

Resilience and Recovery Project Manager

Corinne Bartshire has been selected as the Resilience and Recovery Project Manager for the BAUASI Management Team. Her responsibilities will include the oversight and direction of projects designed to improve the Bay Area's resilience and recovery planning such as managing the Yellow Command component of the Urban Shield exercise and the integration of the region's catastrophic plans with CalOES and FEMA as well as a few recovery projects that will be discussed in agenda item five. Corinne brings national experiences in all hazards planning, exercise design, and stakeholder group facilitation as well as having established working relationships within the Bay Area and state emergency management community.

Corinne earned a Bachelor's Degree in environmental resources and science from UC Davis and a Master's Degree in city and regional planning from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Corinne currently serves as the Vice President for the California Emergency Services Association Coastal Chapter, is a Certified Floodplain Manager, and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners.

For the past eight years, Corrine has worked for Dewberry, a primary disaster response contractor for FEMA, where she managed the development of local and state hazard mitigation plans, HSEEP compliant exercises, and conducted comprehensive strategic planning processes. At Dewberry, Corinne was selected among her colleagues to participate in Dewberry's internal Emerging Leaders Program and was awarded the CEO Award for her leadership.

Corrine also worked with the State of South Dakota to develop an All Hazards Risk Assessment prior to the issuance of the Department of Homeland Security requirement for Threats and Hazards Identification and Risk Assessments (THIRAs).

Whole Community and Communications Project Manager

In collaboration with the interoperable communications workgroup members, the Management Team has developed and recently posted the job announcement for a Whole Community and Communications Project Manager position, which will have the responsibility of developing and implementing regional programs and project planning with a focus on citizen preparedness, emergency planning, community resiliency, public information and warning, and emergency

communications. In addition to the minimum qualification, a desirable qualification includes at least three years of experience in emergency communications, including P25 radio systems. The job announcement will be posted on a number of websites, including our Bay Area UASI website: bayareauasi.com.

(c) Homeland Security Conference Update

The California Coalition of UASIs (CCU) has agreed to share their story on how they collaborated to form a coalition to implement statewide initiatives at the upcoming Homeland Security Conference in a breakout session scheduled for May 22nd at 10:00 AM. The CCU agreed to discuss one of the statewide initiatives (i.e., the CalCop project) in a panel presentation. The panel will include the BAUSI, San Diego UASI, Los Angeles/Long Beach UASI, Santa Ana/Anaheim UASI, NCRIC, and CalOES. The discussion will focus on building alliances and collaborations among state agencies (CalOES, Cal Fire, CHP), fusion centers, and operational areas to enhance the ability to share data throughout a statewide common operating platform.