

# To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority

- From: Ed Baldini, Law Enforcement/Response Program Manager to the Department of Energy Office of Radiological Security
- Date: November 14, 2019

Re: Item 07: Radiological Security Initiative Update

## **Staff Recommendations:**

No recommendation

# Action or Discussion Items:

Discussion, Possible Action

## **Background:**

In March 2018, the PRND Focus Group began engaging with the Department of Energy's Office of Radiological Security (ORS) 2020 Cities Initiative. This ORS program's purpose is to reduce the risk of radiological materials in the United States used for commercial, medical and research purposes from being stolen for use in a weapon of mass destruction.

Participation in the ORS 2020 Cities Initiative has resulted in a decrease in the number of radiological sources in the Bay Area. ORS has also donated a specialized mobile training trailer to support local Law Enforcement agencies, SWAT and Hazmat teams to build skills in responding to radiological security incidents in the Bay Area.

In the past 18 months, the Bay Area CBRNE workgroup has leveraged the networking and attention to the ORS 2020 Cities Initiatives. Current radiological security and PRND training and exercise plans have been enhanced by conducting four workshops, three exercises, and eighteen trainings to continue building related prevention and response capabilities. The first two day ORS Security Leaders Meeting was also hosted San Francisco in September 2019.

# **Discussion:**

Ed Baldini, Philadelphia Police Lieutenant Retired, representing the Office of Radiological Security will provide an update on ORS 2020 Cities Initiative activities in the Bay Area. Ed will review current

capabilities, how the Bay Area has increased the security of radiological sources in the Bay Area, and next steps to continue and sustain these important radiological security efforts.