



Sacramento Regional Office of Homeland Security

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Urban Area Working Group Meeting Summary Minutes of June 28, 2017

Lt. Glen Faulkner, Director of the Sacramento UASI, called the meeting to order at 11:00 am at 300 Richards, 2nd Floor, Room DS-221, on June 28, 2017, with the following in attendance:

Ben Merin, Emergency Medical Services System Coordinator, Sacramento County Emergency Medical Services Agency

Christopher Quinn, Assistant Chief – Sacramento Metropolitan Fire

Conor Peterson - Sacramento Area Council of Governments, Shared Services Representative

Craig Mohar, Program Manager – Sacramento Police Department

Deanna Viscuso, Police Officer – Sacramento Police Department

Der Xiong, Program Financial Analyst – Sacramento Police Department

Glen Faulkner, Lieutenant – Sacramento Police Department

Hannah Aalborg, Health Program Coordinator – Sacramento County Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Division

Hernan Oviedo, Patrol Lieutenant – Yolo County Sheriff's Office

Jason Carroll, Project Manager, Haystax Technology, Inc.

Karter Putman, Deputy Director – Sacramento County Sheriff's Department – Central California Intelligence Center (CCIC)

Mary Jo Flynn, Emergency Operations Coordinator – Sacramento County Office of Emergency Services

Rob Strange, Deputy Chief – West Sacramento Police Department

Todd Crawford, Office of Emergency Services – El Dorado County Sheriff's Office

Todd Harms, Fire Chief – Sacramento Metropolitan Fire

Tracey Hansen, Fire Chief – Cosumnes Fire Department



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Meeting Minutes

Introductions, Urban Area Working Group (UAWG), and Funding Overview

Lt. Faulkner introduced himself to the UAWG as the new Office of Homeland Security Director replacing the previous Director, Lt. Dennis Joy. He introduced the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) staff, provided a historical summary of the UAWG, and announced the recent FY 2017 homeland security grant award.

An overview of the projected FY 2017 grant award was provided. The Sacramento UASI was awarded \$2,837,000; of which 16.5 % or \$467,400 goes to the California Office of Emergency Service (Cal OES) for administrative oversight, leaving a balance of \$2,369,600. Then 25%, or \$592,400, is allocated to the Sacramento Regional Threat Assessment Center (RTAC), per grant requirements, leaving a remaining balance of \$1,777,200. The FY 2017 grant timeline is three years and will end in May 2020.

Lt. Faulkner also extended invitations to El Dorado County, Placer County, and Yolo County Sheriff Offices to attend the June UAWG meeting.

Department of Homeland Security (DHS) MSA and Relative Risk Ranking

Craig Mohar presented the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) risk weighted factors that are used to determine the relative risk ranking for each Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). DHS risk weighted factors are broken down by threat component, vulnerability index, population index, economic, national infrastructure index, and national security index. DHS uses this information to determine which MSAs are funded. Cosumnes Fire Department Chief Tracey Hansen noted various critical assets that are not considered part of the region's risk ranking, which affects the overall ranking score.

1) Regional Exercise Coordinator

Lt. Faulkner opened discussions for an Exercise Coordinator position, either full-time, part time, or as a cadre of trained personnel. The Exercise Coordinator is needed to coordinate and oversee all exercises and would be funded by the grant. Lt. Faulkner noted the candidate should be someone with experience in terms of exercises and regional awareness, and he would like to fill the position within 60–90 days.

Sacramento Metropolitan Fire Chief Harms and Assistant Chief Quinn commented the position will need to spell out specific duties and expectations. In addition, the candidate should be able to evaluate multiple threats, work well with other agencies in partnerships, understand fire, emergency medical services, and law enforcement needs, have a regional mindset, and be current with the latest events and threats.



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Chief Hansen inquired whether available funding existed for fire staff at the RTAC to include regional representation. This issue will be addressed further with the RTAC. Chief Harms noted that he will address both the exercise coordinator and RTAC representation issues at the Fire Chief's meeting for further discussion and approval.

2) Training Program Update

Officer Viscuso gave attendees the current training list, which included completed and upcoming training. She requested if there were any specific training the UAWG members would like offered, then to contact her.

3) Training and Exercise Planning Session

Sacramento County Emergency Operations Coordinator Mary Jo Flynn commented that her agency has plans in place for various exercise scenarios. They would like additional regional involvement in their exercises and can distribute these plans to the region. They can offer plans to the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG). Shared Services Representative Conor Peterson noted SACOG will be requesting Emergency Operation Center Managers meet to discuss conducting large scale exercises, evaluating tabletops, and working with various agencies or jurisdictions. El Dorado Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services can also offer available resources and plans to SACOG.

Sacramento County Department of Health and Human Services receives grants, which require tabletops and exercises for public health, hospitals, and other related topics. Public Health hopes to expand participation with more agencies for better inclusion.

Mr. Mohar stated that there is a training opportunity – available at no cost – provided through Louisiana State University to hold a structured regional workshop to address gap analysis, and conduct training development and design. A sign-up list is available and any recommended agency participants should be forwarded to Mr. Mohar.

Lt. Faulkner introduced Project Manager Jason Carroll from Haystax Technology to discuss the Cal COP Program, which is available to all agencies within the region. The program assesses critical infrastructure, helps integrate certain feeds or event support, and is currently working to create two-way feeds between WEB EOC and Cal COP.



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4) Next Meeting Date

Lt. Faulkner mentioned that a separate meeting will be scheduled to discuss UAWG governance. A future date will be determined and sent out to UASI members.

The next UAWG meeting will be in the fall and notice will be sent out.

Lt. Faulkner adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:00 PM.