



To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority

From: Craig Dziedzic

Date: April 11, 2013

Re: Item #3: General Manager's Report

Recommendations:

Discussion Only.

Action or Discussion Items:

- (a) UASI FY 2013 Update (Discussion Only)
- (b) Management Team Staff Update (Discussion Only)
- (c) Grants Management Workshop (Discussion Only)

Discussion/Description:

- (a) UASI FY 2013 Update (Discussion)

On March 21, 2013, Congress passed the Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act (H.R. 933). The legislation was signed by the President and contains the enacted 5% sequester of nondefense discretionary spending. Pertinent highlights of the legislation are as follows:

- Not less than \$500,376,000 has been allocated for the Urban Area Security Initiative, of which \$10 million is for non-profit security grants.

Committee language indicates that the UASI program should be further focused or limited to the 25 urban areas under greatest threat and at greatest risk. (Committee report language is not the law and does not have to be followed by federal agencies. Such language serves as a guide as to the intent of Congress).

- \$188,932,000 for discretionary state and local grants to be allocated by the Secretary according to threat, vulnerability, and consequence, based on the authorities for State Homeland Security Grant, Urban Area Security Initiative, private non-profit security

grants, Public Transportation Security Assistance and Railroad Security Assistance; Port Security Grants, Over-the-Road Bus Security, Metropolitan Medical Response System, Citizens Corps, Driver's License Security Grants, Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant, Emergency Operations Center, Buffer Zone Protection Program, and Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grants.

- Grant applications to be available not later than 60 days after enactment (latest would be end of May); applicants must apply no later than 80 days after grant announcement (latest would be mid to late August) and award notifications by FEMA must be made within 65 days of receiving applications (latest would be September 30, 2013).
- Grantees may not use more than 5% of grant for administration.

(b) Management Team Staff Update (Discussion)

Interoperability Project Manager Position

In accordance with our exempt transition process with San Francisco Department of Human Resources, the job announcement for the interoperability project manager position had been posted. The position serves on the Bay Area UASI Management Team and has the responsibility of coordinating/collaborating, facilitating, and managing Bay Area UASI interoperable projects, which includes chairing the monthly work group meeting. Jeff Blau is the incumbent.

(c) Grants Management Workshop (Discussion Only)

The UASI Management Team will be conducting three (3) "Fifty Shades of Grants Management" Workshops in June. The workshops, one each in the North Bay, East Bay, and South Bay, will take place on June 18, 19, and 20 from 9 AM- 12:00 PM. The East Bay Workshop will be held on June 18 at the Alameda EOC in Dublin, the South Bay Workshop will be held on June 19 at the Santa Clara EOC, and the North Bay Workshop will be held on June 20 at the Sonoma County Water Agency Building in Santa Rosa.

These grant workshops will discuss project management, sub-recipient MOUs, the financial Management workbook, compliance requirements, and monitoring. It is suggested that both fiscal and programmatic representatives attend one of these workshops.

If there are any additional topics that should be covered, please contact Mary Landers or Tristan Levardo.