Protective Security Advisor (PSA) Program Brief for The 2012 Transportation Hazards and Security Summit Peer Exchange

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Goal for this briefing/visit

1.) Provide a basic overview of the Enhanced Critical Infrastructure Protection (ECIP) Program and Infrastructure Survey Tool (IST) Methodology

2.) Provide brief overview of Protective Security Coordination Division (PSCD) and Protective Security Advisor (PSA) Program

3.) Provide an brief overview of (FREE) DHS IP Resources available to the Private Sector

4.) Overview of the National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) and Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN)

Homeland Security
PSCD Programs and Initiatives

- Office for Bombing Prevention (OBP)
  - DHS’ lead for bombing prevention activities
  - Seeks to reduce the Nation’s risk to terrorist bombing attacks using tools such as TRIPwire and TRIPwire Community Gateway, National Capabilities Analysis Database (NCAD), Multi-Jurisdiction Improvised Explosive Device Security Plans (MJIEDSPs), and the National IED Awareness Campaign.

- Vulnerability Assessments Branch (VAB)
  - Conducts vulnerability assessments in partnership with Federal, State, local, and private sector security partners to prevent, deter, and mitigate the risk of a terrorist attack while enabling timely response and restoration in all-hazards situations.

- Field Operations Branch (FOB)
  - Deployed Protective Security Advisors (PSAs) to all 50 States and 1 Territory to serve as a Federal resource to communities and businesses, assist in the protection of U.S. critical infrastructure and key resources (CIKR), and further State and local homeland security initiatives.
Protective Security Advisors (PSAs)

- Cadre of 92 PSAs and Supervisory PSAs serving local communities as critical infrastructure security specialists.
  - Average over 20 years of law enforcement, military, and anti-terrorism experience.
- Deployed to 70 Districts in 50 States and 1 Territory.
- Reside in the communities where they work.
- Fusion Center Pilot Project – deployed 1 Infrastructure Protection Analyst (IPA).
- State, local, tribal and territorial link to DHS infrastructure protection resources.
  - Coordinate vulnerability assessments, including Enhanced Critical Infrastructure Protection (ECIP)/Infrastructure Survey Tool (IST) assessments and training.
  - Provide support during incident management.
  - Provide vital link for information sharing.
  - Assist facility owners and operators with obtaining security clearances.
PSA Duties -

Infrastructure Protection Specialists

Homeland Security Presidential Directive-7
(HSPD-7)

National Infrastructure Protection Plan
Partnering to enhance protection and resiliency
2009

National Response Framework
January 2008
NIPP Risk Management Framework
PSA Duties
(steady state & post-incident)

Infrastructure Liaisons
Enhanced Critical Infrastructure Protection (ECIP) Initiative

- ECIP assessments conducted to:
  - Identify and recommend protective measures at facilities, provide comparison across like assets, and track implementation of new protective measures.
  - Inform facility owners and operators of the importance of their facilities as an identified high-priority infrastructure and the need to be vigilant.
  - Discuss NPPD/IP programs.
  - Establish/enhance relationships with facility owners and operators.
  - Conducted in conjunction with the Infrastructure Survey Tool (IST).
Infrastructure Survey Tool (IST)

- Web-based vulnerability assessment tool that applies weighted scores to identify vulnerabilities and trends for infrastructure and across sectors.

- Facilitates the consistent collection of vulnerability assessment information.

- The IST will allow DHS to:
  - Identify and document infrastructure vulnerabilities.
  - Provide information for protective measures planning and resource allocation.
  - Enhance overall capabilities, methodologies, and resource materials for identifying and mitigating vulnerabilities.
  - Facilitate government information sharing.
Infrastructure Survey Tool (IST)
Categories

- Facility Information
- Contacts
- Facility Overview
- Information Sharing
- Protective Measures Assessment
- Criticality
- Security Management Profile
- Security Areas/Assets
- Physical Security Delivery/Vehicle Access Control
- Parking

- Building Envelope
- Site’s Security Force
- IDS/CCTV
- Access Control
- Security Lighting
- Cyber Vulnerability
- Dependencies
- Additional DHS Products/Services
- Criticality Appendix
- Images
IST: Dashboard Overall Tab

"Overall" tab shows the overall facility PMI and the PMIs for each major component (Level 1) of the facility PMI (blue bar) and the low, average, and high PMI for the subsector (dots). Touch on the bar or dots to see the exact PMI figures.
Private Sector Resources Catalog

- Released May 2010
- Contains info in the following DHS info & PS Resources:
  - Training
  - Publications
  - Guidance
  - Alerts, Newsletters
  - CIKR Programs
- Private.sector@dhs.gov or 202-282-8484
National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS)

The National Terrorism Advisory System, or NTAS, replaces the color-coded Homeland Security Advisory System (HSAS). This new system will more effectively communicate information about terrorist threats by providing timely, detailed information to the public, government agencies, first responders, airports and other transportation hubs, and the private sector.

It recognizes that Americans all share responsibility for the nation’s security, and should always be aware of the heightened risk of terrorist attack in the United States and what they should do.
National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) cont.

**NTAS Alerts**

- After reviewing the available information, the Secretary of Homeland Security will decide, in coordination with other Federal entities, whether an NTAS Alert should be issued.

**Imminent Threat Alert**

- Warns of a credible, specific, and impending terrorist threat against the United States.

**Elevated Threat Alert**

- Warns of a credible terrorist threat against the United States.
- NTAS Alerts will only be issued when credible information is available.
National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) cont.

- These alerts will include a clear statement that there is an **imminent threat** or **elevated threat**. Using available information, the alerts will provide a concise summary of the potential threat, information about actions being taken to ensure public safety, and recommended steps that individuals, communities, businesses and governments can take to help prevent, mitigate or respond to the threat.

- The NTAS Alerts will be based on the nature of the threat: in some cases, alerts will be sent directly to law enforcement or affected areas of the private sector, while in others, alerts will be issued more broadly to the American people through both official and media channels.
National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) cont.

Sunset

NTAS Alerts contain a **sunset** provision indicating a specific date when the alert expires - there will not be a constant NTAS Alert or blanket warning that there is an overarching threat. If threat information changes for an alert, the Secretary of Homeland Security may announce an updated NTAS Alert. All changes, including the announcement that cancels an NTAS Alert, will be distributed the same way as the original alert.
National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) cont.

Alert Announcements

- NTAS Alerts will be issued through state, local and tribal partners, the news media and directly to the public via the following channels:
  - Via the official DHS NTAS webpage – http://www.dhs.gov/alerts
  - Via email signup at – http://www.dhs.gov/alerts
  - Via social media o Facebook – http://facebook.com/NTASAlerts
  - Twitter – http://www.twitter.com/NTASAlerts
  - Via data feeds, web widgets and graphics o http://www.dhs.gov/alerts
- The public can also expect to see alerts in places, both public and private, such as transit hubs, airports and government buildings.
Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN)

The Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN) is a national secure and trusted web-based portal for information sharing and collaboration between federal, state, local, tribal, territorial, private sector, and international partners engaged in the homeland security mission.

HSIN is made up of a growing network of communities, called Communities of Interest (COI). COIs are organized by state organizations, federal organizations, or mission areas such as emergency management, law enforcement, critical sectors, and intelligence. Users can securely share within their communities or reach out to other communities as needed. HSIN provides secure, real-time collaboration tools, including a virtual meeting space, instant messaging and document sharing. HSIN allows partners to work together instantly, regardless of their location, to communicate, collaborate, and coordinate.
Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN) cont.

- **Joining HSIN**

  - Membership in HSIN is COI-based. To become a member, first decide which COI(s) meet your needs. If you need additional information, please contact the Mission Advocate listed as the POC for a particular COI(s), or e-mail the HSIN program at HSIN.Outreach@HQ.DHS.gov.

  - Once nominated, the COI Validating Authority will review your membership application and approve or deny your admission to the COI. If the application is approved, an email will be sent to you with instructions on how to log onto HSIN for the first time.

- **By mail or phone:**
  HSIN Help Desk: 1-866-430-0162

- **By e-mail:**
  - Outreach Team: hsin.srm@dhs.gov
    HSIN Help Desk: hsin.helpdesk@dhs.gov
If you see Something…Say Something!!

1.) Report suspicious activity to your local law enforcement agency Terrorism Liaison Officer (TLO) and,

2.) Report suspicious activity to the Los Angeles Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JRIC)
   - www.JRIC.ORG
   - LEADS@JRIC.ORG
   - (562) 345-1100
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