

To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority

From: Craig Dziedzic, General Manager

Date: March 10, 2016

Re: Item 3: General Manager's Report

# **Staff Recommendations:**

No recommendation – discussion only

## **Action or Discussion Items:**

- (a) FY 2016 UASI Grant Update (Discussion Only)
- (b) Collaboration with the Bay Area Maritime Community (Discussion Only)
- (c) Management Team Update (Discussion Only)
- (d) Management Team Tracking Tool and Future Agenda Items (Discussion Only)

## **Discussion:**

# (a) FY 2016 UASI Grant Update (Discussion Only)

On February 16, 2016, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Notice of Funding Opportunity for the DHS Preparedness Grant Programs totaling more than \$1.6 billion. The Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) was provided \$580 million to enhance regional preparedness and capabilities by funding 29 high-threat, high-density urban areas.

The allocation for the BAUASI is \$28,036,000, which is \$364,000 less than the \$28,400,000 received last year. The net amount depends upon the percentage of funds the state retains. If the state decides to retain the entire 20% of the award, then the BAUASI with receive a net amount of \$22,428,800.

## (b) Collaboration with the Bay Are Maritime Community (Discussion Only)

The BAUASI continues to build regional preparedness through coordination with the region's maritime community. In the past, we have reached out to the US Coast Guard's Captain of the

Port, the CA Maritime Academy, and the Northern California Area Maritime Security Committee to collaborate on joint grant funded projects. Additionally, the BAUSI's Preventive Rad/Nuc Detection working group has worked closely with the Coast Guard to ensure alignment between land and water-based policies and procedures, an important component of our Securing the Cities grant applications.

In the last few years, the Coast Guard has also been an active participant in the annual Urban Shield exercise. On January 20, 2016, the BAUASI was invited to participate in Bay Ferry IV, an exercise funded by a Federal Transit Authority (FTA) grant and conducted by the Golden Gate Ferry (GGF) Division of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (GGBHTD). One of the goals of the exercise was to bolster coordination efforts between local, state, and federal entities on San Francisco Bay and to increase capabilities to provide a unified response to maritime disasters and major emergencies that take place on Bay waters.

## (c) Management Team Update

As mentioned at the October 8, 2015 Approval Authority meeting, Dave Frazer agreed to serve as the interim project manager for the Coalition of California UASIs (CCU). Since then, the CCU members have chosen him to be the full time project manager; and accordingly, his main focus will be on the statewide risk management program, Cal COP, and cyber security. Since many of the UASIs are located in Southern CA, Dave will be spending more of his time there developing best practices and coordinating programmatic needs, consistent with the statewide risk management contract. The next CCU meeting will be March 14 - 15, 2016 in Los Angeles.

Due to Dave's new commitments, there is an opening on the Management Team for a Project Manager who will be assigned to the risk management and cyber security programs. The Management Team will be conducting a selection process. If you are aware of a potential candidate within your jurisdiction who may be interested in the position, please ask the person to contact the BAUASI General Manager by March 30, 2016.

Candidates who are on San Francisco's unexpired list for the Whole Community and Communications Project Manager position will be considered as well.

## (d) Management Team Tracking Tool and Future Agenda Items

Attached as Appendix A is the Management Team Tracking Tool. Members may submit future agenda items to the General Manager.