



**To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority**  
**From: Craig Dziedzic, General Manager**  
**Date: August 14, 2014**  
**Re: Item #3: General Manager's Report**

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**Staff Recommendation:** Discussion only.

**Action and/or Discussion Items:** Discussion Only

- (a) FY 2014 Continuing Training Grants
- (b) FEMA Regional Risk Management Workshop
- (c) FEMA Technical Assistance: Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)

**Discussion/Description:**

**(a) FY 2014 Continuing Training Grants**

Similar to last year, we submitted two grant applications in two different focus areas for the FY 2014 Continuing Training Grants (CTG) program. The first application seeks to develop a national WMD/HazMat class - Countering Transportation Terrorism: Protecting America's Supply Chains (CTT) as a collaborative approach to improve a multi-jurisdictional response to transportation security risks.

The other grant application seeks to develop a national Cyber Security class – Cyber Disruption & Intelligence Analysis Course (CD-IAC), which is an advanced performance level class designed to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies to respond to cyber incidents and prevent future cyber-attacks.

Both applications are for approximately \$1 million and have a three year performance period. We should receive notification within the next few weeks.

**(b) FEMA Regional Risk Management Workshop**

On June 17 and 18, members of the BAUASI Management Team participated in FEMA's Regional Risk Management Workshop, which provided a forum to discuss risk management across FEMA Region IX's Area of Responsibility (AOR), including common and unique concerns, potential impacts from likely events, and methods of managing risks. The workshop

provided attendees with a common understanding of the threats and hazards facing the FEMA Region IX AOR.

Restoring critical lifelines and re-establishing life safety supply chains was identified as a top priority by all FEMA Region IX stakeholders. Subsequent to the workshop, the attendees agreed to form a cross-jurisdictional, multi-agency workgroup to focus on interdependencies and the restoration of critical lifelines.

**(c) FEMA Technical Assistance: Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)**

On August 19 and 20, FEMA Region IX will conduct a two day technical assistance workshop regarding the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), a common risk assessment and capability estimation process that helps jurisdictions understand likely risks and the core capabilities needed to address them. The development and submission of a THIRA is a requirement to receive 2014 UASI grant funding.

In 2012 and 2013, as part of the CA Statewide Risk Management program, Haystax (formerly Digital Sandbox) updated the THIRA for all the CA UASIs that received grant funds. We will again be working with Haystax to update our previous THIRA which is due by the end of December 2014. The Management Team intends to host a meeting to obtain input from regional subject matter experts and will update the Approval Authority in November with any revisions to the THIRA.