

BOARD OF HOMELAND SECURITY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2021

1:30 TO 3:00 PM

MEETING VIA WEBEX/CONFERENCE CALL

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present:

James Stallings, Vice Chairperson
Vic Reynolds
Col. Chris Wright
MG Thomas Carden
Mark Williams
Russell McMurry
Gary Black
Calvin Rhodes
Bill Cowsert
Alan Powell

Board Members Absent:

Chris Carr
Kathleen Toomey
Richard Woods
Kyle Sapp

Representatives Present:

Jeff Hodges
Lt. Col. Johnny Johnson
Travis Johnson

The Board of Homeland Security held the board meeting on January 13, 2021 via conference call. A List of Attendees, the Agenda, and the Board Presentation are attached hereto and made official parts of these minutes as Attachments #1, #2, and #3. Director James Stallings called the meeting to order at 1:36 PM.

All board members are present except Attorney General Chris Carr with the Georgia Department of Law, Commissioner Kathleen Toomey with the Georgia Department of Public Health, Superintendent Richard Woods with the Georgia Department of Education, and Sheriff Kyle Sapp with Tattnall County.

Vice Chairperson James Stallings welcomed everyone to the call.

Roll Call

Approval of the Minutes:

Vice Chairperson James Stallings presented the minutes of the February 5, 2020 meeting for discussion and approval. Adjutant General Thomas Carden made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Gary Black seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Vice Chairperson James Stallings presented the minutes of the June 3, 2020 meeting for discussion and approval. Adjutant General Thomas Carden made a motion to approve the minutes. Colonel Chris Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Vice Chairperson James Stallings presented the minutes of the December 2, 2020 meeting for discussion and approval. One amendment was proposed to add Vic Reynolds to the list of Board Members in attendance. Adjutant General Thomas Carden made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Gary Black seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

Vice Chairperson James Stallings opened the floor for discussion on any new business.

a) Board Elections

Vice Chairperson James Stallings opened up the floor for nominations for Vice Chairperson. Adjutant General Thomas Carden made a motion to nominate Director James Stallings, Director Vic Reynolds seconded the nomination. The motion passed unanimously. Vice Chairperson James Stallings opened up the floor for nomination for Secretary. Commissioner Gary Black made a motion to nominate Colonel Chris Wright, and Director Vic Reynolds seconded the nomination. The motion passed unanimously.

James Stallings, Vice Chairperson
Colonel Chris Wright, Secretary

b) Critical Infrastructure

Kevin Doyle from the Georgia Ports Authority presented on how the Port is considered critical infrastructure to the State.

c) 2021 Homeland Security Grant Funding

Harlan Proveaux provided an update on the Homeland Security Grant Funding. DHS Primary Requirements for FY 2021 are designating an 80/20 split of local funds relative to state funds, requiring 30% of project funds allocated to the four national priorities, mandating 25% of the total award goes toward traditional law enforcement, and all states must prepare a revised THIRA and Stakeholder Preparedness Review. These documents will be used as a basis for future requests to build and sustain planning and response capabilities.

The Required National Priorities are enhancing cybersecurity, enhancing the protection of soft targets or crowded places, enhancing information and intelligence sharing with federal agencies, and addressing emergency threats. The Department of Homeland Security assigns the State and Relative Risk Score. Risk is the product of the threat, the vulnerability, and the consequence. Harlan Proveaux presented an overview of the Enhancements for FY 2021 and reviewed the Special Event Assessment Rating (SEAR) criteria.

Colonel Chris Wright thanked State partners for their assistance with gathering information on the recent civil unrest events.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Vice Chairperson James Stallings adjourned the meeting at 2:31 PM.

Official Attachments:

1. List of Attendees
2. Agenda
3. Board Presentation

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Others Attending:

Anna Braue
Joey Greene
Ashley Larrow
Harlan Proveaux
Ashley Seay
Mike Smith

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Board of Homeland Security Meeting

AGENDA

January 13, 2021

1:30 - 3:00 P.M.

Meeting via WebEx/Conference Call

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Meeting Number: 178 298 6528

Password: HS120220

Agenda Topic

Speaker

Call to Order

James C. Stallings, Vice Chairperson
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Roll Call

Approval of Minutes from February 5, 2020

Approval of Minutes from June 3, 2020

Approval of Minutes from December 2, 2020

New Business

a) Board Elections

James C. Stallings, Vice Chairperson
GEMA/HS


b) Critical Infrastructure

Georgia Ports Authority

c) 2021 Homeland Security Grant Funding

Harlan Proveaux, Deputy Director
GEMA/HS

Adjournment




Georgia Emergency Management & Homeland Security Agency

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SHGP FY 2021 Enhancements

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DHS Primary Requirements for FY2021:

- Designating an 80/20 split of local funds relative to state funds.
- Requiring 30 percent of project funds are allocated to the four national priority areas.
- Mandating 25 percent of the total award goes toward traditional law enforcement.
- Stipulating that all states must prepare a revised Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment and Stakeholder Preparedness Review. These documents will be used as a basis for future requests to build and sustain planning and response capabilities.

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2021 Required National Priorities: 30%

- Enhancing Cybersecurity (including election security) – 7.5%


- Enhancing the Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (including election security) – 7.5%

- Enhancing information and intelligence sharing and cooperation with federal agencies, including DHS – 7.5%

- Addressing Emergency Threats, such as Transnational Criminal Organizations and UAS – 7.5%

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DRAFT - FY 2021 SHSP Risk Profile

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Risk is the product of:

- Threat – likelihood of an attack being attempted by an adversary
- Vulnerability – likelihood that an attack is successful, given that it is attempted
- Consequence – effect of an event, incident, or occurrence

Risk = Threat x Vulnerability x Consequence

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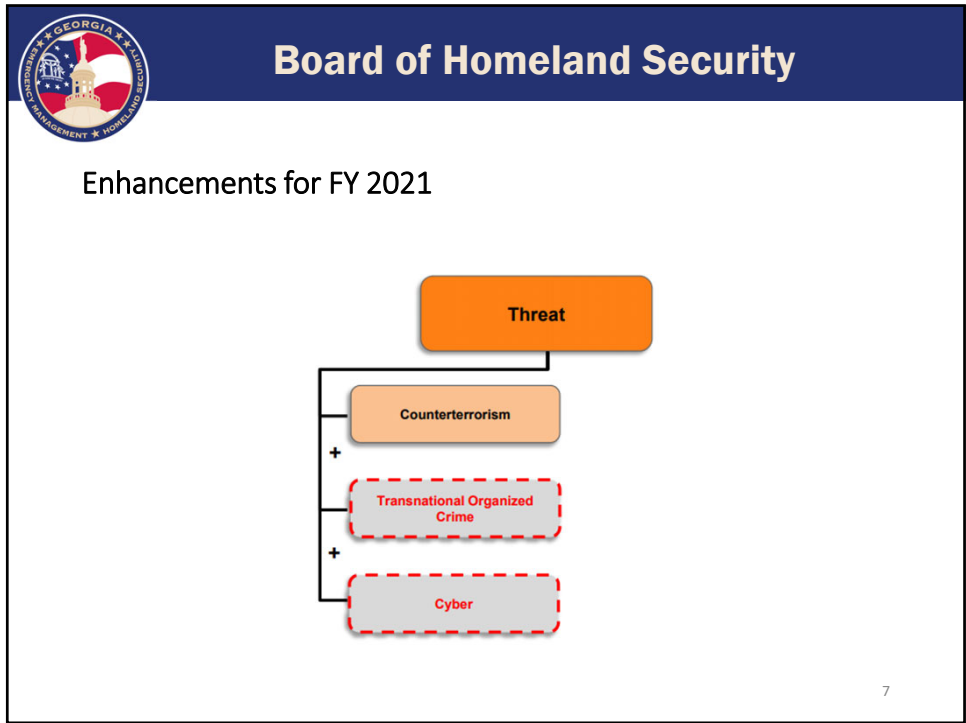
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Enhancements for FY 2021: Overview

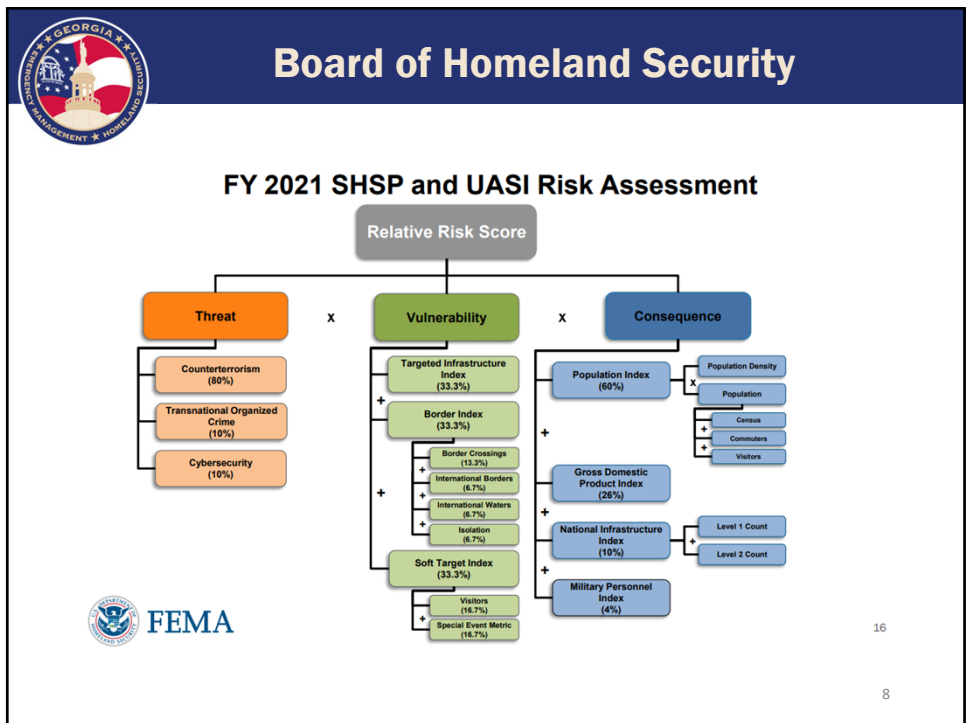
- Component Weights: Assign equal weighting to Threat, Vulnerability, and Consequence
- Threat: Expand the Threat component to include elements of Transnational Organized Crime (TOC) and Cyber added to the current (renamed) component of Counterterrorism
- Isolation: Expand to continental U.S. (CONUS) jurisdictions by calculating scores based on the inverse of the population within 100 miles of a jurisdiction; outside the continental U.S. (OCONUS) entities will continue to receive full credit
- Special Event Metric: Expand the methodology to include two years of Special Event Assessment Rating (SEAR) data and update the methodology
- Population Cap: Reduce the population cap from 99% to 97% of all population Census block group densities

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Enhancement for FY 2021: Special Events Metric

- **Two-Year SEAR Data:** FY 2020 and FY 2021 SEAR data
 - Due to pandemic, SEAR data used in Final FY 2020 Risk Profiles will be used. In future years, end-of-year SEAR data could be used
- **Event Cap Determination:** Event caps changed to only be calculated using events in levels 1-4.
 - Previously, all events were used to determine event caps.
 - Cap will continue to be proportional to the population of each state/territory or MSA, relative to the total population of all jurisdictions
 - SEM calculation will include all events, not just events included in cap calculation
- **Removal of Per Person Division of the Aggregate Risk:** Sum of SEAR risk scores for each jurisdiction now used without dividing by population

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Special Event Assessment Rating (SEAR) Criteria:

- Iconic
- Health (proximity to Level 1 trauma center)
- Estimated number of attendees
- Weather
- Law Enforcement Capabilities
- Heads of State attending
- Venue (indoor/outdoor, water, aircraft involved)
- Diseases
- Resources available to handle event

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Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)

Risk Assessment for SHSP/UASI


- Data sources do not include THIRA input
- Informs resource allocation
- Focuses on terrorism threat

THIRA

- Provides jurisdictions an understanding of their risk landscape in order to manage risk, develop capabilities, and decide how to commit resources
- Focuses on all hazards threat

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