



National Preparedness Directorate Update:

National Advisory Council Briefing

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Progress since September 2015

National Preparedness Doctrine Updates

- National Preparedness Goal
 - Roll-out began October 2, 2015

- National Preparedness Frameworks
 - FEMA Administrator approved all five frameworks
 - DHS Secretary will review entire set soon



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National Preparedness Doctrine Updates

- Federal Interagency Operating Plans (FIOPs)
 - Approval and release anticipated in spring / summer

- National Incident Management System (NIMS)
 - National engagement anticipated within next two months



NAC Questions & Recommendations

- FIOPs “Cliffs Notes”
 - A FIOP Overview and an Executive Summary will accompany each document
- Recovery Training Opportunities
 - Emergency Management Institute (EMI) catalog includes 278 available courses, 112 of which are accessible online or through distance learning platforms
- Assessing technology-degraded capabilities
 - Evaluating possible assessment methodologies



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NEP Mission

- Serves as **principal** exercise mechanism for United States
- Includes the **entire** homeland security enterprise
- Designed as **progressive** cycle of exercises
- **Examines** preparedness and **measures** readiness
- **Tests** the Nation's ability to perform emergency management missions and functions

NEP Elements

- Aligns to goals set every two years under White House leadership – **Principals’ Objectives**.
- Incorporates **stakeholders-sponsored exercises** from across Whole Community
- Integrates results from each NEP exercise into **preparedness assessments**
- Culminates each 2-year cycle with a **Capstone Exercise**
- Serves as critical method of “**Validating Capabilities**” in accordance with the National Preparedness System.

NEP Principles & Priority Criteria

- **Data-driven** in terms of both risks and capabilities
- **Balanced** across Mission Areas
- **Standardized** by core capabilities to enable comparison
- **Progressive** to foster continual learning
- **Responsive** to legislation and policy priorities
- **Diverse** across regions and States
- **Inclusive** of Tribal nations and private sector

Principals' Objectives: 2015-2016

- Operational Coordination
 - Unified structure and process
- Intel and Information Sharing
 - Enable timely and informed decision making
- Public Information and Warning
 - Share prompt, reliable, and actionable risk information
- Recovery
 - Support local communities

Capstone Objectives beyond Principals'

- Interdiction and Disruption
 - Disrupt imminent acts of terrorism
- Sharing Forensics and Attribution
 - Monitor, analyze, and disseminate time-critical operational information
- Screening, Search, and Detection
 - Prevent illicit cargo, goods, and people from entering the United States



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Capstone Features

- Capstone 2016 will aim to stress capabilities to the point of failure.
- Will involve significant constraints, competing demands, and unfamiliar scenarios.
- Consists of linked exercises (sponsored by), including:
 - Intelligence (Office of the Director of National Intelligence)
 - Counterterrorism (Department of Defense).
 - Domestic Threats (Federal Bureau of Investigation)
 - Continuity & Consequence Management (FEMA)



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Capstone Finale

- The final component exercise of Capstone 2016 will examine the ability of the federal interagency to respond to a catastrophic incident while working from alternate sites under a full activation of executive branch continuity programs.
- The final scenario details will build upon the preceding Capstone 2016 component exercises.
- In summer and fall, after action reviews and lessons learned will be synthesized for corrective actions and to refine the plan for the NEP 2017-2018 cycle.



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