

# 2014 State Homeland Security Grant Program Initiatives

## *Investments and Projects*

### **Investment #1 – NIMS**

This investment is direct support for NIMS compliance objectives as stated in Homeland Security Presidential Directive 5 (HSPD-5) for consistency among agencies for all incidents at all levels of government to work seamlessly to prepare for, prevent, respond to, recover from, and mitigate the effects of incidents, regardless of cause, size, location, or complexity, in order to reduce the loss of life, property, and harm to the environment. Projects within this investment include planning, resource management/equipment, training and exercise. As identified in (SPR-3), the state will work to ensure State and Subgrantee Emergency Operations Plans are consistent with the National Response Framework (NRF) and the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and are up to date. Each jurisdiction will be required to update their emergency operations plans (EOPs) to include NIMS and NRF components and development of mutual aid agreements. In addition, jurisdictions will adhere to equipment and resource typing requirements ensuring conformity to NIMS National Resource Typing Definitions according to FEMA guidelines.

#### **Projects:**

- **1.1 Planning**
- **1.2 Resource Management/Equipment**
- **1.3 Training**
- **1.4 Exercise**

### **Investment # 2 – Regional Preparedness**

The overall focus of this investment is to promote best practices for prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery throughout natural and man-made events. This investment focuses on pre- and post-disaster actions with the goal of minimizing economic impacts and speeding economic stabilization and recovery following an event. The gaps identified in the THIRA include the need to develop current emergency operations, COOP/COG, evacuation, catastrophic response and animal care plans as required under Presidential Policy Directive 8: National Preparedness (PPD-8). This investment will focus on plan development and updating using a whole community approach to community preparedness. Planning will involve Local Emergency Planning Committees, private business, critical infrastructure, and various first responder disciplines.

#### **Projects:**

- **2.1 Evacuation Plan**
- **2.2 School Safety Preparedness Plans**
- **2.3 COOP/COG Plans**
- **2.4 Catastrophic Incident Annex**
- **2.5 Mitigation Plan**
- **2.6 Infrastructure Plans**
- **2.7 Medical Response**
- **2.8 Pet Care Preparedness**
- **2.9 CBRNE Activities**

### **Investment #3 – Interoperability/SAFECOM**

The public safety community relies heavily on radio communications. It connects responders to their dispatchers, field managers, each other, and — ultimately — to the public they serve. Radios provide dispatchers the ability to alert one or a group of responders of service calls, regardless of where the responder may be. It provides responders with a means of communicating their needs and actions, independent of fixed facilities, such as land-line telephones or even cell-phone towers, which can quickly become overloaded during a major incident. In the field, radios provide responders the ability to manage incident response, independent of location, using an effective communications plan. And, those responders recognize that radios provide the most vital tool for their own safety. This investment will support the development and publication of county and regional Tactical Interoperable Communications Plans (TICP) consistent with the Statewide Interoperable Communications Plans and the Wyoming Interoperability Guide. This investment will also support the publication of the Wyoming Communications Field Operation Guide. There will be a continual need for upgrading and replacement of end user radios and dispatch equipment as well as a reoccurring need for WyoLink and interoperable communications training.

**Projects:**

- **3.1 Tactical Interoperability Communications Plan (TICP)**
- **3.2 Equipment - WyoLink Compatibility**
- **3.3 Cyber Terrorism**

**Investment # 4 – Risk and Gap Analysis**

This investment is direct support for the completion of the state’s THIRA with input from the Whole Community. New procedures for the completion of local THIRA’s will be implemented which will include on-site training for local jurisdictions and quarterly meetings with emergency managers, regional emergency response teams, school districts, bomb teams, state interoperable working group, forestry, department of transportation, health department, and national guard leadership in the development of their THIRA process. This will assist the state in collecting the necessary data in preparing the overall risk profile in developing the state’s THIRA, and will also assist local communities with the assessment of hazards and capabilities through their mitigation plan and those technological, adversary threats outside pre-existing plans relevant to their jurisdiction. Other partners will be identified in an on-going effort to solicit input and development under the mitigation mission core capability. In addition, the state will develop and facilitate the completion of a community preparedness report, similar to the State Preparedness Report. Each jurisdiction will be asked to provide data i.e... (exercises, responses, resource type teams and equipment) to include mutual aid in completing their process. In completion of this report it will provide the state with a more accurate level of preparedness, capability from their respective jurisdictions to lend validity to the states overall SPR as well as assist the community in identifying their organic capabilities.

**Projects:**

- **4.1 THIRA & SPR**

**Investment # 5 – IED/Terrorism Initiatives**

The 2013 Wyoming THIRA was used to identify the explosive device hazard and the core capability target. The explosive device spanned 26 out of the 31 core capabilities within the 2013 Wyoming THIRA. On-scene Security and Protection Capability will be the focus of the activities within this investment. The 2013 Wyoming SPR identified gaps between current capabilities and target capabilities (2013 Wyoming SPR, pages SPR-47 and SPR-48) in On-scene Security and Protection Core Capability and are identified as a high priority.

**Projects:**

- **5.1 Bomb Teams**
- **5.2 Intelligence & Information Sharing**

**Investment # 6 – Public Information and Warning**

This investment will support a statewide capability for Public Information and Warning and Information Sharing. Public information and warning is a constant theme across Wyoming’s Core Capabilities. The implementation of the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) will address Wyoming’s capability to provide vital emergency messaging to residents of Wyoming and individuals visiting the state. The CodeRed system utilized to access the IPAWs portal will also allow for critical information sharing among first responders and communities. This capability will also enhance information sharing to protect state infrastructure by ensuring facilities and operators have information needed. This investment will establish a communications infrastructure to allow for the use of emerging technology to provide information to enhance ongoing, life sustaining activities, provide basic human needs and transition to short term recovery.

**Projects:**

- **6.1 IPAWS**
- **6.2 Developing Social Media**
- **6.3 Public Education**