



Meeting Minutes Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee

Attendance	DATE	March 11, 2020			
	TIME	9:00 A.M.			
	LOCATIONS	Legislative Counsel Bureau Legislative Building – Room 1214 401 S. Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701			
		Legislative Counsel Bureau Grant Sawyer Building – Room 4412 555 E. Washington Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89101			
	METHOD	Video-Teleconference			
RECORDER	Meagan Werth Ranson				
Advisory Committee Voting Member Attendance					
Member Name	Present	Member Name	Present	Member Name	Present
Justin Luna	X	Jeanne Freeman	X	Todd Moss	X
John Steinbeck	ABS	Mike Heidemann	X	Tennille Pereira	X
Roy Anderson	X	Jill Hemenway	X	Shaun Rahmeyer	X
Travis Anderson	X	Eric Holt	X	Misty Robinson	X
Elizabeth Breeden	X	Dave Hunkup	X	Rachel Skidmore	X
James Chrisley	X	Jeremy Hynds	X	Corey Solferino	X
Darcy Davis	ABS	Graham Kent	ABS	Malinda Southard	ABS
Cassandra Darrough	ABS	Mary Ann Laffoon	X	Chris Tomaino	X
Robert Dehnhardt	X	Chris Lake	X	Mike Wilson	ABS
Craig dePolo	X	Bob Leighton	X		
Kelly Echeverria	X	Carolyn Levering	X		
Dave Fogerson	X	Ryan Miller	X		
Advisory Committee Non-Voting Member Attendance					
Bunny Bishop	ABS	Melissa Friend	X	Catherine Nielson	ABS
Rebecca Bodnar	ABS	Kacey KC	ABS		
Felix Castagnola	X	Aaron Kenneston	X		
Legal Representative			Entity		Present
Samantha Ladich – Sr. Deputy Attorney General			Nevada Attorney General's Office		X
Analyst/Support Staff			Entity		Present
Meagan Werth-Ranson			Nevada Division of Emergency Management - North		X
Kendall Herzer			Nevada Division of Emergency Management - South		X

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chief Justin Luna, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEM/HS), called the meeting to order. Roll call was performed by Meagan Werth Ranson, DEM/HS. Quorum was established for the meeting.

2. Public Comment

Chief Luna opened the discussion for public comment in all venues. No public comment was provided from the Las Vegas venue, the Carson City venue or from the phone.

3. Approval of Minutes

Chief Luna called for a motion to amend or approve the draft minutes from the February 19, 2020, Committee meeting. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was provided by Chief Bob Leighton, Reno Fire Department and a second was provided by Dr. Chris Lake, Nevada Hospital Association. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Status, Process, and Timeline

Chief Luna noted this agenda item is for discussion only regarding the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) status, process, and timeline. Chief Luna spoke to the handouts provided in the member packets. Item #4a is a summary of the information from the notice of funding opportunity (NOFO). This document includes a brief summary paragraph, total award amounts for the State HSGP with a plus 15 amount for reference, the range amount for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant award for the Las Vegas area with a reference for the plus 15 amount for the high end of that range at \$5.25 million. There is also a summary for each of the four national priorities that were outlined in the federal grant guidance. Each of these four priorities has to have projects that equal 5% of the award amount. The 5% amounts are listed for reference for State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and UASI range amounts. It is the goal to target the higher range amount for UASI at the \$262,500.00 amount. Chief Luna spoke to document labeled #4b. This is the timeline that has been distributed for the HSGP process. A lot of the tasks have already been completed. The Nevada Commission on Homeland Security (NCHS) met on March 3, 2020 and was provided of an overview of the current status of this process. The urban area met on March 9, 2020. The Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee (Committee) will be hearing project proposals at today's meeting and will rank the presentations to make recommendations to forward to the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security Finance Committee (Finance Committee). The Finance Committee is scheduled to meet on April 1, 2020 where recommendations will be heard from the urban area and the state on which projects to submit in the application for the HSGP process. The next Committee meeting is scheduled for April 8, 2020 where there will be an update on the status of the process. The NCHS is set to meet again on April 9, 2020 to review the final recommendations for the HSGP process. The application to the federal government is due on April 14, 2020. The federal government has provided a two week extension on this application due to the nationwide response and efforts to Covid-19. Chief Luna spoke to the document #4c titled Strategic Capacities to be maintained in FFY2020. This document was reviewed in October 2019 by this Committee and approved by the NCHS in October 2019 as well. These are the strategic capacities that will be considered when listening to the project presentations and ranking for priorities.

5. Urban Area Working Group (UAWG) Meeting Review

Kelli Anderson, DEM/HS, spoke to the Urban Area Working Group (UAWG) meeting that occurred on March 9, 2020. The urban area heard all the projects and testimony and ranked the projects based on the maintained capacities in one vote. The second vote covered a span of money from the minimum to a maximum amount of almost \$1 million dollars. The third vote was on the plus 15 amount. The UAWG was able to use de-obligated funds to manage the gaps of funding and came up with a very closely balanced budget. There are three priorities to submit; one is the minimum amount, one is the maximum amount, and the final is the plus 15 amount. This was a good process with a lot of discussion on the projects. Ultimately, three projects were pulled due to lack of representation and testimony. Ms. Anderson believes the UAWG created a manageable process with difficult issues included in the NOFO. The UAWG did fund all of the maintaining capacities projects that were on the list to include; fusion centers, elections, cybersecurity, and emerging threats.

6. Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Financial Update

Chief Luna spoke to this agenda item being for discussion only and should be used as historical reference while listening to today's project presentations. The member packets include documents labeled #6a through #6i. This information is again to be used for historical reference. Document #6i is the final spreadsheet from last year's grant award process that includes the projects that were reviewed and the amount of those projects.

7. State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Project and Budget Proposal Presentations for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)

Chief Luna noted this is the agenda where the Committee will hear presentations. Each project presenter will be given three minutes to speak to their projects. Chief Luna spoke to the document titled #7a that displays the list of projects separated by maintaining capacities at the top and the new competitive projects at the bottom. The Committee will only hear SHSP projects and not UASI projects as those were approved separately. The projects were presented as follows:

Maintain:

Project #159870: Department of Administration Enterprises IT Services

Project Description: Cybersecurity Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GRC) Enhancement Modules

Presenter: Robert Dehnhardt, Nevada Department of Administration

Funding Request: \$215,800.00

Discussion: Robert Dehnhardt spoke to the state purchase of a government risk and compliance platform using FFY2017 grant funds. This purchase was originally made with grant funds and realized funds from budget savings. This FFY2020 grant request is for the purchase of additional modules to provide the capability of continuity of operation and contingency planning modules as well as an asset management module. These are both important for this platform for better management of the risks the Executive Branch Agencies need to monitor and deal with. This module would also be providing for centralized and coordinated information technology planning. Chief Luna noted it is believed that this project has received HSGP funding in the past. Chief Luna requested information on the history and progress of this project as of today. Mr. Dehnhardt noted this platform was purchased as part of FFY2017 HSGP grant funds and portion of realized funding from budget savings. A combination of funding was used to make this original purchase. Chief Luna inquired about the scalability of this project for maintenance and support. Mr. Dehnhardt noted the first year of maintenance is being requested and if this was scaled down, it is believed this portion could be found in the budget. Kelli Anderson advised this project would fall under investment justification #1.

Project #160015: Nevada Secretary of State

Project Description: Netflow and Intrusion Detection System Monitoring

Presenter: Wayne Thorley and Ashley Griffiths

Funding Request: \$134,390.00

Discussion: Wayne Thorley, Secretary of State for Elections, and Ashley Griffiths, Secretary of State, spoke to this project proposal for the FFY2020 HSGP. This is a maintenance project that has been funded by this Committee for the past two years. This grant request is to fund a netflow and intrusion detection monitoring system in 12 Nevada counties. The intrusion detection system (IDS) was previously purchased for all 12 counties, and these monitors are currently in place and operating. This request is simply to fund the continued monitoring for an additional year. The overall funding request has increased by approximately \$400.00 compared to what was requested last year. The reason is twofold. First, the monthly monitoring rate cost for the IDS has increased from \$695.00 per month to \$890 per month and second, when we originally

started this project, all 12 counties got their IDS up and running at different times. Our funding request this year includes money to sync up all 12 counties so their contracts all end at the same time. The goal of this project is to enhance the cybersecurity capability of Nevada's smallest counties as it relates to elections. Nevada is what is known as a "bottom-up" state, which means that each county election office maintains its own voter registration database. As evidenced by activity that occurred in other states in the lead up to the 2016 presidential election, voter registration databases are prime targets for identity thieves and those wishing to undermine democratic election processes. Unfortunately, many of Nevada's smallest counties do not have the technical expertise or financial resources to enhance their election system's network security by implementing a robust security apparatus. We are only requesting funding for 12 counties because the remaining 5 counties in Nevada already have IDS's that are funded directly by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Chief Luna inquired as to how the program has worked over the past few years. Mr. Thorley advised he believes this project has been a great success and there is a great partnership in place with the Center of Internet Security (CIS). It was noted there are monthly reports from CIS as to what monitors alerted and what they alerted on. This is monitored 365 days a year. When there is an alert, the notification is done quickly. Rachel Skidmore, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, spoke to a job well done with spending down historical funds. Kelli Anderson advised this project would fall under investment justification #1 and this is the only election security project that was submitted. Chief Luna pointed out that agenda item #6i displays the FFY2019 HSGP funding. Chief Luna inquired if this is believed to be a nationwide increase and why the amount has increased. Mr. Thorley believes this is in fact a national issue. The CIS came back with this quote with no additional explanation of the increase.

Project #159752: Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO)

Project Description: Cybersecurity

Presenter: James Cox, Washoe County Sheriff's Office

Funding Request: \$90,072.00

Discussion: James Cox noted this project is to maintain and sustain capabilities with the cyber threat incident investigative response in Nevada. The sheriff's office continues to dedicate full time law enforcement personnel to investigate cyber related crimes and incidents. Washoe County invested substantial non grant funding in the FFY2018 and FFY2019 to enhance the investigative infrastructure and cyber response and investigative capabilities. The Northern Nevada Cyber Center personnel include supervisory and nonsupervisory detectives. WCSO has partnered with regional, state, and federal law enforcement to investigate and mitigate cyber related matters. Staffing has been increased by one full time Washoe County Employee and partnered with Sparks Police Department for one additional detective to be stationed in the Northern Nevada Cyber Center. The center houses staff from HS, the Attorney General's Office (AG's), and Sparks Police Department along with Washoe County employees. WCSO partnered with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to continue strong working relationships with federal and local partners. One of the Sheriff's Office goals is to continue to expand regionalization efforts which have already produced positive results. The Northern Nevada Cyber Center is committed to assisting any agency or business operating in northern Nevada. Services are currently provided to primarily law enforcement agencies in northern Nevada to include; Elko County and Lyon County. The personnel's ability to respond with proper equipment and training will allow for mitigation of incidents with substantial disruption to services such as emergency services response, traffic control, and public health. By enhancing and sustaining current specialized equipment and skills, WCSO will be better prepared to interact with the government and private sectors and be able to better advise private sector partners on cyber threats and infrastructure protection. Administrator Shaun Rahmeyer, Office of Cyber Defense Coordination (OCDC), noted one of the areas for funding was for forensic software. Mr. Rahmeyer inquired as to what forensic software was being used currently. Mr. Cox advised that there are between ten and fourteen products that are currently being used; Black Bag, Magnet Forensics, and Oxygen to name a few. The difficulties and challenges that are being faced in regards to these products is they are specialized and they require travel in order to receive training from the vendor. Chief Luna noted the amount of funding from FFY2019 to FFY2020 has almost doubled from \$42,000.000 to

\$90,000.00 and asked for additional information regarding the increase. Mr. Cox spoke to a lack of information from the previous supervisor and an incomplete list of needs from the prior year. During the years' time, shortfalls and weaknesses were identified. In regards to the two new full time positions, WCSO and Reno Sparks Police Department have contributed with salaries and equipment. The additional training for new employees, specifically with forensic analysis, takes 12 to 18 months to accomplish. Kelli Anderson asked for clarification on what exactly in this project is increasing. Typically look at prior year funding and how to maintain capacities that were built. In past history, projects do not usually double. Usually two applications are required for the maintain capacities and the other is to enhance. Want to ensure this project is not enhancing WCSO capabilities. Mr. Cox advised that training, travel, and software has increased. Kelli Anderson advised this project falls under investment justification #1.

Project #159745: Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

Project Description: Southern Nevada Counter Terrorism Center SHSP

Presenter: Rachel Skidmore, Emergency Manager, Southern Nevada Counter Terrorism Center (SNCTC)

Funding Request: \$587,450.00

Discussion: Rachel Skidmore spoke to this being the HSGP portion of the project. This project has been funded every year. This year's portion has been reduced from prior year requests. All of the items requested are in the sustain category. Ms. Skidmore advised when projects are requesting enhancement to projects or new technology, this has to be submitted on a separate application. All the line items in this application have historically been funded and this is to maintain. Kelli Anderson advised this project falls under the investment justification #3.

Project #159949: Nevada Threat Analysis Center (NTAC)

Project Description: Nevada Threat Analysis Center

Presenter: Selby Marks, Deputy Director of NTAC

Funding Request: \$696,427.85

Discussion: The Nevada Threat Analysis Center (NTAC) serves as one of the two recognized Department of Homeland Security Fusion Centers in the State of Nevada, and functions at the state level under then Nevada Department of Public Safety (DPS), Investigation Division (NDI), and has reporting responsibilities to the Director of Public Safety, the NTAC Advisory Committee, the Governor's Office and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. NTAC has an area of responsibility that covers 16 of Nevada's 17 counties, and further provides service to all state agencies and tribal nations within every county in the state of Nevada, including Clark County. This can be a daunting task at times given the size and needs of this state and the personnel and resources currently available to the NTAC. Over the past year alone the NTAC has made several noteworthy accomplishments that emphasize critical components in the area of information sharing. For example, the NTAC is responsible for operating the SafeVoice Nevada communications center. From January 1, 2018 through today SafeVoice has received over 16,500 tips, which includes bullying, suicide reports, self-harm and planned school attacks. While we cannot state the particulars about these tips due to confidentiality laws, we can report the information received has enabled law enforcement and select school personnel to interdict weapons at schools and intervene and provide support to students threatening harm to themselves including suicide attempts. In addition, NTAC analysts have provided analytical and information sharing support to federal, state and local law enforcement partners in critical areas covering public safety and homeland security; such as homicide investigations, transnational human trafficking and local human trafficking cases, threats against public officials and state employees, and threats to critical infrastructure. The NTAC frequently provides threat assessments covering high profile public events with the purpose to provide law enforcement, first responders and activity organizers critical information to assist them with public safety efforts to protect individuals attending these events from terrorism and criminal activity. Likewise, NTAC outreach activities support homeland security and counterterrorism efforts including the education and training provided through the NTAC Fusion Liaison Officer program, the critical infrastructure program, which provides threat and vulnerability assessments for government and private sector facilities including public and private schools

and houses of worship, and NTAC's responsibility to the strategic national stockpile program, and NTAC's public awareness campaign. Additionally, NTAC has personnel assigned to the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police ARMOR Division, and the Reno FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force. NTAC participates in several community programs including the Partnership with Carson City, Secret Witness, state of Nevada Committee on Child Death Review, and Safe Kids and Safe Teens of Washoe County. In addition, the NTAC operates the "Keep Nevada Safe" program as part of the Department of Homeland Security "See Something, say Something" public outreach campaign. NTAC also operates the Nevada Most Wanted website and tip line. The funding which NTAC receives from the Nevada Homeland Security Grant Program not only provides a vital component to NTAC's success and ability to provide timely, accurate, and actionable intelligence and information, the funding further proves critical in other areas, such as to identify, prevent and deter acts of terrorism and criminal activity, student and school safety, safeguarding Nevada's critical infrastructure, and providing essential training to the NTAC's various government and private industry partners through the Fusion Liaison Officer program, which includes an 8 hour active shooter response course. Chief Luna noted the request for FFY2020 has been reduced from FFY2019 request. Kelli Anderson advised this project falls under the investment justification #3.

Project #160116: Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department ARMOR Section

Project Description: Armor CBRNE SHSP Sustainment

Presenter: Roger Haskins, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department ARMOR section

Funding Request: \$100,000.00

Discussion: Roger Haskins spoke to this request being for a mobile radiation detection system. This request is to replace a system that was purchased with grant funding from FFY2005 that is no longer sufficient. This mobile radiation detection system can be mounted directly on a helicopter and would be helpful for the rural areas of Nevada. This mobile device can be used from the air to limit exposure to the ground units. Chief Luna spoke to the FFY2019 spreadsheet; the amount remained the same however it was requested under UASI funding. This was for a separate project. This request is replacing older equipment that was originally purchased under a different funding stream that was similar to HSGP funds. Kelli Anderson wanted to clarify the HSGP funding versus the UASI funding. Ms. Anderson confirmed that this original piece of equipment was purchased over ten years ago and it was purchased under a different funding source. Mr. Haskins advised this piece of equipment was purchased under the Buffer Zone Protection Grant and was purchased over 15 years ago. This was requested under HSGP funds as it could be deployed across the state. Ms. Anderson asked for clarification on the warranty of this piece of equipment and if it will need to be continually funded. Mr. Haskins advised the maintenance and warranty would be covered under UASI funding. Ms. Anderson inquired what the life of the product is. Mr. Haskins advised the serviceable life of the equipment is between five and ten years. Ms. Anderson advised how close the \$100,000.00 is to the final project. Mr. Haskins believes the cost is between \$80,000.00 and \$90,000.00 and noted a request for proposal (RFP) will need to be completed.

Project #160486: Tahoe Douglas Bomb Squad

Project Description: Tahoe Douglas Bomb Squad HSGP 2020

Presenter: William Darr, Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District/ Tahoe Douglas Bomb Squad

Funding Request: \$69,600.00

Discussion: William Darr spoke to this FFY2020 project that contains three separate items. This project is to maintain the Tahoe Douglas Bomb Squad core capabilities. This project does align with the national priorities, investment justification #4. Locally this will provide dismantled capabilities at incidents and events in Douglas County, Carson City, and other contracted jurisdictions. This would also provide enhanced operability with the other three bomb squads in the state. The first item being requested is a digital x-ray system. This would upgrade the capabilities through a quick interrogation of items. This would have the ability to be placed in a backpack for dismantled application at events. The second item is an upgrade of the current x-ray generator. This would allow operation with the new x-ray system as well as an upgraded run time and capabilities. The third item is a tactical disrupter. This is used in TTP for disruption. This would be a smaller, dismantled

disrupter that could be placed in a backpack with a quick response time or in a tactical environment. Kelli Anderson asked for clarification on how these items were procured in the past and if these items are replacements or enhancements. Mr. Darr advised these items were purchased with grants. These are complete upgrades.

Project #159746: Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO)

Project Description: Consolidated Bomb Squad

Presenter: Noah Boyer, Washoe County Sheriff's Office

Funding Request: \$205,000.00

Discussion: Noah Boyer advised that the FFY2020 project is focused around replacing the first out vehicle. This vehicle was originally purchased with HSGP funds in FFY2007. The vehicle has served as the initial response vehicle for the bomb squad commander and bomb technicians for approximately 3,500 calls for service. In an effort to prolong the replacement of the large response vehicle, WCSO is looking to maintain the capabilities of the first out vehicle but expand the format to allow all equipment and personnel to arrive as an additional response. This will allow for a quicker response to outlying areas such as Lovelock, Winnemucca, and Virginia City. In FFY2019, the Consolidated Bomb Squad requested funds to replace the self-contained breathing apparatus that had become expired. This was a scaled project. The FFY2020 funding request would be to finish the second half of that project. The Nevada State Bomb Task Force has made great strides this past year and has continued the partnership with the fellow bomb squads to address emerging threats and protecting soft targets. The consolidated bomb squads have taken over the coordination for Task Force training this year to continue the high level of training. This request is for funding for training simulators for the state bomb squad. This is needed for continued tactical bomb technician integration leading to expanded capabilities to respond to critical events. In February of 2020, the national guidelines for bomb technicians increased mandatory training each year from 96 hours to 266 to address emerging threats. The requested funds will be used to maintain existing training. Kelli Anderson asked for clarification on which year that vehicle was purchased, how long it lasted, how long this vehicle is expected to last, and what kind of maintenance program will be used. Mr. Boyer noted the maintenance for this vehicle would be covered by WCSO. The vehicle was acquired in 2007 or 2006. The vehicle lasted for twelve years. The new vehicle is anticipated to last at least that long. Ms. Anderson inquired as to what will be done with the vehicle being replaced. Mr. Boyer spoke to that vehicle potentially still being used for transport. Ms. Anderson noted that if that vehicle is disposed of and it is worth over \$5,000.00 future discussions will need to be had. If the vehicle is still in service and used for the same type of response that is great. It is encouraged to offer these types of vehicles to other program participants upon replacement.

Project # 160328: Nevada Division of Emergency Management (DEM)

Project Description: NIMS – Technology

Presenter: Paul Burke, DEM/HS

Funding Request: \$41,300.00

Discussion: Paul Burke testified in support of this \$41,000.00 investment to provide for funding to maintain existing infrastructure within the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC). This budget allows the SEOC to maintain technology systems which are fee based and required to operate audio and video systems. In the past, these systems were simply "build and use", but within the last several years they have all transitioned to licensing models that require annual subscriptions or fees. This includes audio and video licensing, video teleconferencing, radio warning equipment such as Emergency Alert Systems (EAS), and service and warrantee subscriptions to perform work which cannot be performed by a staff of two. On maintenance, many of these systems were designed in 2004, with specifications determined and equipment purchased in 2005, and installed in 2006 and 2007. It is old, outdated, and unsupported by the industry. This funding request includes funds to provide equipment and parts to repair components in these systems while we wait to upgrade the whole system. A portion of this request is to attend training on current equipment and its integration within the existing systems, and to maintain an understanding of new technology and how to

apply it to our state programs. Since being placed in this position, the technology learning curve has been incredibly steep, and much of the training has been at personal cost, or it has been free, online training which has limitations. As we have built up the SEOC and its systems, we are asked to provide our systems to more and more agencies within the state who are partners in emergency management. This requires travel to support their meetings, to install and test equipment, and this request supports that need as well. The funding request is based upon the direct needs of the program. It is difficult at best to predict the failure of components and their replacement and installation costs. In many cases the parts are unavailable, or we have to bridge old and new equipment in very creative ways which may or may not work. It is our hope that as we work to maintain these systems, we will also have the opportunity provided by this body to fund the larger replacement of this backbone. Kelli Anderson questioned if this project was to support the entire state or just the SEOC. Paul Burke advised this project would support the entire state as a whole.

Project #160622: Nevada Division of Emergency Management (DEM)

Project Description: Tribal NIMS Maintenance

Presenter: Jon Bakkedahl, DEM/HS

Funding Request: \$92,700.00

Discussion: Jon Bakkedahl spoke to this project. The National Incident Management System (NIMS) is required for eligibility for Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funding. This project is geared toward personnel and space to coordinate grants, planning, training, and exercise (PTE) activities throughout the state with the tribes to enhance tribal NIMS capability in the state. Without this, tribes would not have this capability. Nevada tribes do not have the personnel, funding and oversight capability internally to individually submit and manage grant requests, required plans and minimal requirements for training and exercise. The work that the two staff have already performed in the last few months has continued to grow and is reflected in the large tribal participation in statewide activities. Nevada Tribal Emergency Coordinating Council (NTECC) is now required in statute per Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 414.165. Scaling the project is not an option. It would increase the amount of work DEM would have to do if NTECC staff were scaled back or eliminated. The Funding request is the same as last year.

Project #160465: Nevada Division of Emergency Management (DEM)

Project Description: Statewide NIMS Maintenance

Presenter: Jon Bakkedahl, DEM/HS

Funding Request: \$460,128.00

Discussion: Jon Bakkedahl spoke to this project. This project maintains the planning, training, and exercise (PTE) programs throughout the state. Although the funding comes to DEM directly, the funding is used statewide to support statewide efforts. The funding request this year does include personnel as a requirement per Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The HSGP is often underutilized to make sure the funding is available for statewide partners. FEMA performed an audit the past two years and indicated that if there are personnel working on homeland security efforts, they must be paid (in percentage) through HSGP. Last year, there were a few concerns brought up about the combined projects. DEM has taken the initiative to separate some of the projects like, Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment (THIRA), Communications and Public Information and Warning. They will be presented as part of the Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC), Technology and Public Information and warning projects. What is included is the resource management and credentialing efforts, to which several agencies are now credentialed and the campaign is building daily; including the Southern Nevada Emergency Managers (For New Year's Eve access to Multi-Agency Coordination Center (MACC)), Nevada Task Force 1 (NVTF-1) whom is the first team in the country to meet the requirement, and Douglas County Bomb Squad. With several more requests pending funding. Planning continues to have more and more requirements in statute with no funding to support. Senate Bill (SB) 69 added additional planning collection, review and reporting to government agencies for schools, resorts, utilities and political jurisdictions. Planning staff made efforts to meet with local and tribal jurisdictions in person to support the planning efforts. New planning guides were

also created for each of the mentioned partners. Training continues to offer more classes than ever before, including several offerings of the All Hazard Incident Management Team (AHIMT), Basic Academy, and the continuation of Advanced Academy and Master Exercise Practitioner Program (MEPP) in Nevada. The funding Jurisdictions have requested include instructor support, materials support and the use of the mobile training kits. Exercise has worked on two National Level Exercises (Silver Crucible and Binary Blackout) in the last year, including the build up to those exercises. They have supported local agencies through de-obligation of the FFY2017 HSGP to all jurisdictions in support of Silver Crucible. The Exercise program is also continuing to work with Salt Lake City to play in their 2021 NLE the Great Salt Shake. Jeremy Hynds, City of Henderson, asked for clarification on the \$200,000.00 amount that is indicated as contractual amounts. Mr. Bakkedahl noted DEM does not have enough full time staff to support the program; this deficiency is supported by contractual employees.

Project #159793: Nevada Division of Emergency Management (DEM)

Project Description: SWIC

Presenter: Melissa Friend, DEM/HS

Funding Request: \$35,871.55

Discussion: Melissa Friend presented the Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC) project proposal for DEM. This proposal meets one of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) core capabilities of operational communications. This project includes a portion of the SWIC salary, travel to support statewide interoperability efforts, and to support the Annual Statewide Communications Rodeo. In addition, DEM was approved by DHS for technical assistance to assist in the Statewide Communications Rodeo this fall. Dave Hunkup, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) inquired as to how the SWIC interacts with Tribal partners. Mr. Hunkup spoke to planning that is currently taking place for a communication radio drill using the communication boxes, if they are upgraded by this time. Ms. Friend advised that as the SWIC, she has been working closely with the NTECC to try to reach out to as many Tribes as possible. Work is currently being done on the communication boxes but this is a work in progress. Tribal partners will be invited to the Annual Statewide Communications Rodeo.

****Meeting break at 10:30 a.m.; meeting reconvened at 10:35 a.m. with quorum****

Project #160245: Douglas County Emergency Management

Project Description: Douglas County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Presenter: Dave Fogerson, East Fork Fire Protection District

Funding Request: \$21,200.00

Discussion: Dave Fogerson spoke to the Douglas County CERT team. Mr. Fogerson advised currently there are over 100 members that are divided into three teams because of the large amount of geography; one in Lake Tahoe and two in the valley. The CERT team is engrained in the community and is used for daily operations for public education with disaster preparations, Stop the Bleed, and Hands Only CPR. CERT is a huge force multiplier in disasters. CERT members are used to open evacuation centers, predominantly in wildland fire (which occur three times a year) and to shelter people for up to three days through three sheltering trailers. The three sheltering trailers were provided through DEM and one was purchased on our own. CERT members assist in emergency operation centers with set up and take down, services as incident rehab for Quad county agencies. There are two initial classes that occur each year. This funding provides the base salary for the coordinator and supplies for the program to continue to exist.

Project #159829: Elko County Sheriff's Office

Project Description: Elko County CERT/ Northeast Nevada Citizens Corps/Cert Programs

Presenter: Mary Ann Laffoon, Elko County CERT/ Northeast Nevada Citizens Corps/Cert Programs

Funding Request: \$65,181.00

Discussion: Mary Ann Laffoon spoke to the Elko County CERT Program. The Elko County CERT Program covers 17,000 square miles of Elko County. Work is also done on Tribal lands if requested and works closely with the other rural jurisdictions. Elko County CERT provides help in sheltering, assistance in any emergency, and assists the emergency management department.

Project #160458: Nevada Division of Emergency Management

Project Description: Statewide Tribal Citizen Corp Program

Presenter: Jon Bakkedahl, DEM/HS

Funding Request: \$10,579.02

Discussion: Jon Bakkedahl spoke to this being to support tribal CERT programs across Nevada. The program will support instructor pay and class materials needed for training. This program has enhanced the capability for tribal members to coordinate efforts for their own preparedness, response and recovery in the time of disaster or emergency. Classes are currently scheduled and are being scheduled to draw down the previous FFY2019 HSGP funding. The program is scalable, but scaling will impact training and outreach efforts. If not funded, there will not be a tribal CERT program. The funding is the same as last year. Dave Hunkup inquired as to what Tribes have requested training and what training classes have specifically been requested. Mr. Bakkedahl noted that there is training available there just needs to be a written request as to what training is being requested, requested resources or supplies that would need to be funded by DEM. Crystal Harjo, DEM/HS, advised the current status of Tribal CERT is working on spending down FFY2019 funding. There are five Tribes that are requesting CERT training and numerous other Tribes conducting this training on their own. If there are requests for training please contact NTECC and this will be addressed.

Project #159751: Washoe County Sheriff's Office

Project Description: WCSO Citizen Corps Program

Presenter: Michael Perry, Washoe County Sheriff's Office Citizen Corps Program

Funding Request: \$105,479.00

Discussion: Michael Perry spoke to this funding request to maintain the entire CERT program. Last year the Washoe County CERT supported 250 active volunteers, 22,000 training hours, 106 events, and 11 emergency activations. The goal is to continue to build on resilience through CERT basic academy, team expansion and capabilities, build on additional programs, and build a direct support with professional agencies. There are teams that support the Reno Emergency Operations Center (REOC) and Point of Distribution Centers (PODS). Citizen Corps is involved with numerous trainings to include; CPR/AED, Citizen First Aid, PODs, Stop the Bleed, traffic management and control, and supporting threat awareness through the Citizen Homeland Security Council. In regards to POD activation, there are 90 members that have completed the training to assist with this. There are four CERT academies that are held throughout the year and host two RAD academies. Chief Luna inquired why there was an increase of nearly \$20,000.00. Mr. Perry advised there are Conexis all throughout the valley and this is to expand on the equipment and to bring on an additional part time interim for logistical concerns. Kelli Anderson advised with the maintaining capacities application, if we were doing an enhancement there probably should have been two applications; one project to maintain and the second to add new equipment or hiring an additional position. Ms. Anderson advised this can be discussed by the Committee further.

Project #160511: Nevada Division of Emergency Management (DEM)

Project Description: DEM Nevada Statewide Resiliency Strategy

Presenter: Kelli Anderson, DEM/HS

Funding Request: \$39,100.00

Discussion: Kelli Anderson spoke to this project being the ongoing project for statewide resilience. This project covers the programmatic management of the different open committees that fall under the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security. Those committees include the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security

Finance Committee and the Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee. This also covers the Urban Area Administrator to travel to attend the meetings in northern Nevada in person. This request is a little bit different from previous years. It was determined that travel is not occurring as much as in previous years, this travel portion has been reduced. However, there is a Homeland Security National Conference occurring in Las Vegas. This funding will be used to support that conference as well as additional outreach materials. This funding will cover additional travel and shirts for volunteers assisting with this conference. Kelli Anderson and Misty Richardson, Clark County Office of Emergency Management, worked together on this project.

Project #160263: Washoe County Emergency Management & Homeland Security Program

Project Description: COOP Sustain

Presenter: Dr. Aaron Kenneston, Washoe County

Funding Request: \$200,000.00

Discussion: Dr. Aaron Kenneston spoke to this ongoing project. This project was first requested in FFY2009. The idea at the time was that the Homeland Security guidance for the state could retain no more than 20% of funding and the rest was to be pushed out to locals. A series of statewide projects were started that were managed by local governments. This is the one remaining project from that series. So far 34 different agencies and jurisdictions have been addressed. The current year projects were working with Nevada State College and the Reno Tahoe Airport. These are both smaller entities. This coming year, we are expanding to Truckee Meadows Community College and Southern Nevada College. These are both larger entities. This is the response for the increase in funding from the previous year. This is a best practice and is mandated process for all federal agencies. Our state law (239c) mandates its continuity of government. Again, this is year 11 of this project. It funds the tool or portal so everyone can access their continuity of operation plans and provides training around the state. Chief Luna asked Mr. Kenneston to expand on the difference from last year's funding request to this year's request. Dr. Kenneston advised the dollar amount does fluctuate depending on which programs are brought in. Some agencies are bigger than others. Last year was scaled to a smaller level due to smaller amounts of available funding.

Project #160473: Nevada Division of Emergency Management (DEM)

Project Description: Public Alerts and Warning

Presenter: Gail Powell, DEM/HS

Funding Request: \$210,500.00

Discussion: Gail Powell spoke to this project being for statewide public information and warning. This is a component under DEM's preparedness section. The FFY2020 project is to sustain the Emergency Alert System (EAS) that provides quick and timely alerts by local jurisdictions to their communities. Additionally this project investment delivers a broad range of public information and warning messaging. This messaging covers all threats; including a terrorism component. All components are identified in the THIRA. The messaging promotes education awareness and five cornerstones of emergency management to include; prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery to both public and private sectors. The state Public Safety Announcement (PSA) program includes video content for television, websites, social media platforms, in addition to radio broadcast announcements. The end goal is to better prepare all of Nevada in the event of an emergency through comprehensive public information and warning and supporting the Governor's directive. This is a \$5,200 decrease from the FFY2019 funding request. Rachel Skidmore inquired on the line item for the Nevada Broadcasters Association (NBA) and if we are paying \$110,000.00 to run PSA's. Ms. Powell advised that is correct. Ms. Skidmore asked if we had a PSA for the community for Covid-19, if this would be a PSA that we would have to pay for. Ms. Powell advised this is a fee that goes to the NBA and then all of the PSA's regardless if they are on the radio or television go to all of the stations within the State of Nevada. Ms. Skidmore noted that it does not make sense to pay for these PSA's and asked for clarification if this is not a compliance issue with using federal dollars to pay for the PSA's. Kelli Anderson advised that she has looked at this project extensively and it has been vetted up to federal partners. The way the NBA bills out can be confusing. The PSA or radio time is an anomaly process. The radio time is collected from the other stations

and there is a cost associated with the production. That information is then compiled into one bill. The air time is typically donated but there is a large amount of time that goes into putting out a PSA and the cost it creates internally for the broadcasters themselves. Ms. Skidmore understands there is a production cost but asked for clarification on the \$110,000.00 to pay for work done prior to going on air and if then the PSA is donated. Ms. Anderson advised this is correct. The production piece and their time is what are billed. The broadcast of the actual PSA on the radio is what is donated back to the NBA. Ms. Skidmore inquired how many separate PSA's are included in the \$110,000.00. Ms. Powell advised that it depends on the month. Sometimes there are two separate PSA's in a month and sometimes there is only one PSA that runs on all channels for that month and a new one is prepared and disseminated for the next month. There could be 12 to 24. Jeremy Hynds asked for clarification on the \$110,000.00 and if this cost was for prime time or off peak time hours. Ms. Powell noted this is for all time, prime time and off peak hours. The affidavit that is provided shows dates and times that a PSA was run. Mr. Hynds requested what the actual numbers are we are hitting and additionally if this is a state wide PSA or if local jurisdictions can also push out the PSA's under this contract. Ms. Powell advised this is for all stations both radio and broadcast in both English and Spanish and local jurisdictions messaging can be pushed out through the state.

Project #159810: Nevada Division of Emergency Management (DEM)

Project Description: Statewide Recovery Plan Implementation Phase 4

Presenter: Suz Coyote, DEM/HS

Funding Request: \$47,250.00

Discussion: Suz Coyote spoke to this project being to improve the overall resiliency, capability and readiness of the recovery core capability under operational coordination. The background is that Washoe County Emergency Management took on the initial statewide Recovery initiative in HSGP FFY2015. The project completed the first draft of the Nevada Disaster Recovery Framework with stakeholder buy-in and the contract and training to roll out the preliminary damage assessment tool in 2017. The FFY2018 project continued to build on the framework that was established in FFY2015 in alignment with the DEM resilience strategy and the following outcomes: recovery Framework adoption, socialization, training and exercise, recovery Support Function roll out and training and an update to the plan after the exercise and after action is complete. In FFY2020 the State will implement a cloud-based, Geographic Information System (GIS)-enabled tool, and licenses for use by counties and tribal entities statewide. The FEMA PDA overlay will be used to uniformly gather PDA data across all jurisdictions in alignment with FEMA guidelines. The PDA tool contractor will support initial implementation and roll out of the tool statewide. Maintenance of the tool and licenses will be managed by the contractor during the initial two-year contract. The statewide roll-out will include full-day training and exercise with the tool and an update to the PDA tool guidance in the State Recovery Guide. The state will leverage funding from FFY2019 grant for the contractor to develop the training and exercise. The cost of the PDA tool licenses and annual statewide training are needed to sustain this capability going forward. DEM will request additional funding to sustain the recovery program and other projects through the legislature; however we did not receive the funding requested last session. The grant amount is for 18 months of the tool and cannot be reduced at this time. The contract is in the negotiation process and details are not available currently. When the contract process is completed, we will provide a report to the NRAC. Jeremy Hynds inquired if negotiations are currently ongoing, how the final project total was determined. Suz advised this number was a best estimate amount as the negotiations are still taking place but is based on training, maintenance, and the amount of licenses. Mr. Hynds inquired as to what the end goal is of this project. Will the goal be to provide licenses to each user, certain devices, counties, and will it be deployable. Kelli Anderson advised that recovery and mitigation are under her section. Outreach has been done to the local jurisdictions to see what their current licensing is. This equipment is not expected to be deployed to anyone. This is a software program that should fill the gaps with the GIS licenses that have already been purchased through own local jurisdiction funding. This is building on that information that has been received and there is funding from FFY2018 and FFY2019 that we are leveraging to FFY2020. When a contract is reached, the PDA software will potentially be higher than the current requested funding. Ms. Anderson advised this is for software,

training and exercise for the local jurisdictions to add this software to their existing equipment. Ms. Anderson advised this will be discussed further once there is a final product but the licenses will be provided to the cities based on need. Mr. Hynds expressed concern with this project being funded twice and there is still not a tool. Ms. Anderson noted that currently this is a transition period. Dave Hunkup inquired as to how the Tribes are going to gain access to utilize this tool. Suz noted Tribes will be included in the training once the tool has been identified.

Project #162699: Nevada Division of Emergency Management (DEM)

Project Description: County Election Office Security

Presenter: Wayne Thorley, Secretary of State's Office, and Kelli Anderson, DEM/HS

Funding Request: \$214,375.00

Discussion: Wayne Thorley spoke to this project being a new strategic capacity area. There is a need in the election community for hardening of soft targets. There is not a lot of information currently for the scope of those needs besides securing voting equipment at the county level when the voting equipment is not in use and stored for long periods of time. Most counties have limited access to really secure storage areas that have good secure doors, windows, access controls or cameras. This project is based on guidance from the federal government to meet the 5% funding requirement to include in election security for soft targets. Kelli Anderson noted that one of the things that needed to be done, especially after the notice of funding came out, was to comply with the federal government on the four national priorities. When looking at the minimum funding levels needed to maintain, one that was lacking was for soft targets with an election security enhancement. After research was done, one of the needs identified was for the rural jurisdictions to harden their infrastructure where the voting machines are located. Part of this project is to review the analysis that the fusion center does on the vulnerability assessment and identify four locations to harden their soft target infrastructures. This project has to be funded in order to comply with the Homeland Security's request under the four investment justifications.

Competitive:

Project #159986: BOR of NSHE obo University of NV, Reno/WNCC

Project Description: 2020 HSGP Physical Security

Presenter: Chris Nero, University of Nevada Reno Police Department

Funding Request: \$235,456.00

Discussion: Chris Nero spoke to the University Police Services taking over police services at Western Nevada Community College (WNCC) as of July 1, 2019. Since this time, it has been discovered that WNCC is lacking security measures. This project request is for funding to add a new door locking system to the college. WNCC current services 4,600 students per semester over five different counties. This facility has also been identified as an offsite location for DEM in the event of the State Emergency Operations Center is rendered as inoperable. WNCC has also served as an emergency shelter during past emergencies in Carson City. Rachel Skidmore asked for clarification on the indirect cost line item that states "legally established indirect cost rate for the University of Nevada for sponsored projects at 26% of project total" and asked Kelli Anderson what her interpretation was for this line item. Ms. Anderson advised the college and university system have an indirect agreement with the federal government that must be honored. It does not mean it costs that line item amount to manage this program but they automatically receive that amount. That amount goes into their general funds to pay for administration costs, assessment fess, overhead, and those types of costs associated with the university. If this project was funded, that specific budget line item would have to be funded per law. Kelly Echeverria, Washoe County, inquired as to why this project does not fall under investment justification #2. Kelli Anderson advised this project does not maintain capacities as it is a new project. Ms. Anderson did not indicate which investment justification these new projects would fall under as a way to encourage conversations to ensure the projects fully vetted. Ms. Anderson asked the following questions; is this enhancement specifically for WNCC in Carson City, is there a security system currently in

place, this would be to put in a key card system to protect from outside users, was a vulnerability assessment completed with the fusion center, is this one of the recommendations from that assessment, and is this terrorism related. Mr. Nero advised yes to all of the above questions. Ms. Echeverria again asked for clarification as to why this project is below the line when the project before this also states it is new and is being funded automatically. Ms. Anderson advised this project and the project before are both new projects but unlike this project, the previous project must be funded due to the change in the grant requirements. Rachel Skidmore presented a question that did not relate to this project. For FFY2019, the University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV) police services received a communication and security enhancement grant, did this include a 26% plus up for this project. Ms. Skidmore had concern in the lack of funding that is available. That 26% represents 10% of the available funding. Chief Luna noted there were no indirect costs associated with the FFY2019 UNLV project. Chief Luna inquired about the scalability of this project. Mr. Nero advised the project would be able to take a reduction of \$48,582.00 as this is the indirect cost budget line item. Kelli Anderson advised, if this project was not funded as a competitive project, this could be added to the 15% plus up to bolster the application.

Project #160256: Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

Project Description: Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department – TASS TRV

Presenter: Rachel Skidmore

Funding Request: \$450,000.00

Discussion: Rachel Skidmore advised in light of the funding that is available the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department would like to remove this project.

Project #159753: Washoe County Sheriff's Office

Project Description: Northern Nevada Regional Intelligence Center

Presenter: Lieutenant Corey Solferino, Washoe County Sheriff's Office

Funding Request: \$40,125.00

Discussion: Lieutenant Solferino announced the regional collaborative effort between the partnering agencies in northern Nevada. The Northern Nevada Regional Intelligence Center (NNRIC) has been under one umbrella for numerous years and now there is a unified chain of command reporting to the direct Executive Board. Under this same collaborative effort, there has been the regionalization of the gang unit, narcotics unit, crime suppression unit, and the newly formed human trafficking unit. NNRIC is the conduit that holds these units together to disseminate information and is responsible for control measures in northern Nevada. In FFY2019, a project for GeoShield was funded as the database for the fusion center. WCSO provides the server, the technical support, and thirty licenses that cost to run the organization. Last year the request was for an additional fifty licenses. This Committee funded \$53,000.00 for those licensing fees and a geoplotter printer. This request has decreased by \$13,000.00 from last year to maintain the strategic capacities. Of the 50 user licenses which are disseminated equally among the partnering agencies. Chief Luna asked for clarification on how this is enhancing the capacities. Mr. Solferino advised he understands this project to be a maintaining project and is unsure how it was placed as a competitive project. There was discussion as the NNRICC is not classified as one of the two state recognized fusion centers but does operate as an independent fusion center. Kelli Anderson noted there may be a few projects that appear to be maintaining capacities as competitive projects, this is because they were not called out specifically in the maintain capacities list. Chief Luna asked for a brief explanation of how the NRICC interacts with the fusion centers around the state and overlapping responsibilities. Mr. Solferino advised the NRICC collaborates with all the fusion centers. The NRICC interacts on a daily basis and work with the user agencies within the northern Nevada region. Rachel Skidmore inquired if the licenses have historically been funded with HSGP Funds. Mr. Solferino advised that they have been funded from this body in previous years. Ms. Skidmore noted if this line item does not receive HSGP funds, and is funded in an additional way, there is no future opportunity to come back to this body for future funding. Chief Luna advised this can be considered once the ranking of the projects is completed and projects can be moved around.

Project # 160645: TRIAD HazMat/Reno Fire Department

Project Description: Washoe County/TRIAD HazMat CBRNE

Project Contact: Eric Millette, Washoe County TRIAD

Funding Request: \$218,565.00

Discussion: Eric Millette spoke to this sustainment project to purchase equipment to replace two AreaRea kits. This is equipment that can be placed on the perimeter of CBRNE type incidents. This equipment can be placed in the hot zones to make strategic decisions on how to mitigate the problem. These units have been purchased using HGSP funding but not for several years now. These funds are significant to try to replace this expired equipment. There are 460,000 people that are located in Washoe County and this is for the Washoe County Hazmat Team. There are over 300 special events in this region. With the special events and the type of response needed, this equipment is essential to sustain current response capabilities. Chief Luna inquired as to the last time HSGP was requested and what it was used for. Mr. Millette advised the last time HSGP funding was requested was in 2016 for a warranty program for another device in use. This grant request is scalable as the request is for three kits. The voluntary reduction would be \$72,855.00 down to a final request of \$145,710.00. Kelli Anderson asked for clarification on this request and if it is being used to replace the FFY2016 equipment. Mr. Millette advised this is replacing equipment that was purchased almost 15 years ago. The equipment needing to be replaced is out of the serviceable timeframe and is no longer supported. Ms. Anderson inquired if the use of this equipment would fit under the emerging threat under the national priorities. Mr. Millette advised he does believe so. Rachel Skidmore asked for clarification on the reduction. Mr. Millette advised the reduction is from three kits down to two.

Project # 160504: Washoe County School District

Project Description: Washoe County School District Project Rescue

Presenter: Roy Anderson, Washoe County School District

Funding Request: \$41,240.00

Discussion: The Washoe County School District is requesting \$41,240 to help create the capacity for the district to rescue staff and students who may be injured, or who have access and functional needs, during a terrorist incident at a school or district building. This project is to fund the purchase of 91 Med Sleds and for training, including a train-the-trainer portion. This is also a one-time project with no funds needed to maintain the project. The 91 Med Sleds will be placed in existing buildings. These buildings are: 5 multi-story administration buildings, 13 high schools, 9 middle schools, 5 elementary schools, and 1 school whose entire population of students has access and functional needs. This request is only for existing schools. The district is committed to address evacuation needs for all new schools and have included the purchase of Med Sleds for all multi-story schools as part of the building cost for new schools starting with a middle school and elementary school opening for the 2020-21 school year. The District is also creating evacuation teams as part of their School Incident Response Team as outlined in the School-based emergency operation plan. The evacuation teams will be trained on annual basis using District trainers who will be trained with this grant. Rachel Skidmore noted the request references training existing staff. Rescue Task Force with the fire departments, police departments, and extraction teams are something that can be utilized is work being done with these local agencies to notify them of where this equipment will be stored and coordination of training opportunities as they would be the ones responding to events. Mr. Anderson advised this is a two part project. The first part is looking at buildings to be able to maintain capabilities on their own in case there is a situation where response is delayed and part two being newly included in Senate Bill (SB) 39. Ms. Skidmore encouraged working with local agencies as far as notification of this equipment and future training. Lieutenant Corey Solferino offered help with the notification process as the school district police have limited hours. Chief Luna inquired about the scalability of the project. Mr. Anderson noted this project could be scaled down from one Med Sled at every stairwell in the schools outline above to one Med Sled located at the top of one stairwell.

Project #: 160331: Nevada Division of Emergency Management

Project Description: NIMS-Technology - NEW

Presenter: Paul Burke, DEM/Hs

Funding Request: \$129,600.00

Discussion: Paul Burke testified in support of this \$129,000.00 investment to provide for an equipment and technology upgrade to the backbone of the State Emergency Operation Center audio/video delivery system. The current system was designed in 2004, with specifications determined and equipment purchased in 2005, and installed in 2006 and 2007. Since then, the video displays have been replaced to significantly improve the quality of their image in 2012, but with the same “brain” so to speak; the technology and equipment which sends the signal from one point to another. The current fundamental technology which drives the original and current signal is what is called “Video Graphics Array” or VGA, and has a maximum resolution of 640x480. This is an analogue signal with very low resolution as compared with the current digital standards of HD, 4K, and even 8K/ VGA also does not carry audio, so every component currently requires two signal cables, one video and one audio. This technology was sun-setted in 2012 and its components are no long manufactured or supported. Additionally, we currently use a series of transmitters and scalers to send signal and force higher resolution signal to be displayed, engineering that is fraught with issues at every connection and forces us to “dumb-down” the video outputs of current computers and components within the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). What this project will do is dramatically improve the way we connect sources of information with the displays/ or outputs, through Network A/V”. This takes our current system, limited to 32 inputs and allows us to provide an almost infinite number of input sources, to an infinite number of outputs, all with the speed and resolution required of today’s systems and our customer’s expectations. During the past two years, we’ve experienced failures with current components and have to “re-engineer” solutions that are both temporary and fragile. Many of you have experienced this while at our center, and while we have made some progress, we have a foot on each shore of an ever-widening river of changing technology. You can imagine what will eventually happen. We have put off for several years this request for funding knowing that we tried everything we could to improve the situation as best as possible first and without costs. We have a microphone system that started off with discarded equipment from another source and with less than a \$1,000.00 investment, have made it into a system which could have cost us over \$30,000.00. We have found and replaced failed equipment with used parts from other video distribution systems but those systems are the same old technology and just prolonging the eventual need to replace the system. Where possible, we have bought components that are compatible with Network A/V in mind and have forced their integration, but again we are losing our footing. This request is a two-phase project, the second phase fully dependent on the life span of the current display system. The first phase must be completed regardless of the second phase, and reductions in the cost of phase one of more than 10% would likely make the project impossible to complete. This funding request is based upon a build list and cost estimate of the required components necessary to complete the upgrade. Dr. Jeanne Freeman, Carson City Health and Human Services, inquired if this would impact any of the local jurisdictions causing them to have to upgrade their systems to connect. Mr. Burke advised this would not negatively impact the jurisdictions but would be a benefit to them as well. Chief Luna inquired on the scalability of the project. Mr. Burke advised the project could be scaled back however a reduction in 10% of the funding will make this project impossible to finish. Ms. Freeman inquired if this would be a onetime request or if this would be requested each year. Mr. Burke noted this would be a onetime request.

****Meeting break at 12:30 p.m.; meeting reconvened at 12:40 p.m. with quorum****

Project #160457: Nevada Division of Emergency Management

Project Description: Statewide NIMS Competitive

Presenter: Jon Bakkedahl

Funding Request: \$180,155.00

Discussion: Jon Bakkedahl spoke to this project being funded last year. DEM has requested HSGP and UASI funds to cover the workshops and deliverables of a statewide and UASI THIRA/SPR on the scheduled years,

the Contract is currently at \$55,000 per year. THIRA is now every 3-year event, but the SPR is an annual requirement. DEM does have a multi-year contract in place for the service. DEM is requesting additional training money to support the SB15 creation of the AHIMTs in Nevada, a north and south team and one Nevada Team. There will be mandatory training requirements to develop and maintain the team for statewide, regional and national support. The project is scalable due to the reduced contract rate the was awarded during the RFP process; Able to reduce by \$22,000 by finding a low bid for the THIRA project at \$28,000 per grant (UASI and SHSP).The majority of this project was funded last year for NIMS – Statewide. However, due to the previous testimony and scaling back, we are prepared to scale back this request. DEM will remove all travel of \$50,500.00, most of the planning reduce down to \$33,000 and keep the \$28,000.00 THIRA and \$5,000.00 Tribal Emergency Operation Plan, reduce Resource Management/Credentialing by \$1,500.00 and keep the RM/C hardware at \$17,655, reduce training by \$9,000.00 to maintain \$20,000.00 for AHIMT and position specific training. This takes the request to \$69,655.00 and a total reduction of \$110,500.00. Dr. Jeanne Freeman asked what the implications are of such a drastic reduction to the requested funding. Mr. Bakkedahl advised the biggest impact is to the training program specifically for the newly created SB 29 Incident Management Teams (IMT). There will be no additional training money allotted to the creation and management of these teams. Ms. Freeman asked for clarification on what this does to the position specific trainings that were requested previously. Mr. Bakkedahl noted this is correct, this will impact other jurisdictions. Kelly Echeverria asked if this funding could be found elsewhere to support this training. Mr. Bakkedahl spoke to some of the trainings being built in to the NIMS maintained. This would be for additional training. Jeremy Hynds inquired how these reductions impact the development of the IMT in the north and the south. Mr. Bakkedahl noted this reduction will decrease the availability of training courses for those whom are not fully task book qualified. In the state, people can be utilized as trainees but this limits the availability to respond on federally reimbursed missions.

Project #160439: Washoe County Sheriff's Office

Project Description: SOD (Robot)

Presenter: Lieutenant Corey Solferino

Funding Request: \$97,584.00

Discussion: Lieutenant Solferino began this presentation by stating the WCSO would be willing to take a reduction of 2/3 to this project. This would be a total of \$32,528.00 removing \$65,056.00 from the total funding request. This project is for robots that can be deployed out into the field to test for CBRNE environment before exposing operators to the hazards. These robots allow for operators to remain mission effective and not be deployed down range too long. The initial request was for three robots, this has been reduced to one robot for on call situations to sustain this program. The WCSO assists the FBI and Tribal partners in de-escalating situations and respond all over eastern and northern Nevada. Kelli Anderson asked about the capabilities of the robot, who the robot responds to, and how hazmat coordinates with the sheriff's office. Mr. Solferino advised if a scene is not rendered safe, fire department personnel are not allowed to respond. In a hot zone, the law enforcement officer would have to go in with the hazmat team to render that environment safe. This allows for the robot to go down range and reduce the risk of exposing personnel to those elements. The robot is being requested for the SWAT team. This robot could be utilized to send equipment into situations, but would serve as eyes and ears and could take samples. Ms. Anderson advised typically general law enforcement activities are not usually funded; this is generally the counties purview to fund these items. There have been challenges in the past with hazmat and CBRNE and the different teams in doubling up on capabilities. Mr. Solferino advised this would not be an asset to be deployed in routine law enforcement activities. Kelly Echeverria question if the TRIAD or clear team have this asset. Mr. Solferino advised they do not have this asset. Chief Luna asked if this is a replacement to current equipment and if so how it was procured previously. Mr. Solferino advised this is enhancing capabilities. There are older robots that were purchased at least ten years ago with Washoe County budgetary funding. This would allow for one robot to deploy in the field to keep these capacities open.

Project # 160478: Humboldt General Hospital District

Project Description: HGH EMS Rescue Radio Project

Presenter: Tiffany Love, Jonathen Bidlake-Prichard, Jordan Kohler

Funding Request: \$132,271.00

Discussion: Jonathen Bidlake Prichard spoke to this being the first time Humboldt General Hospital District has come to this body to request funding. Humboldt General Hospital Emergency Medical Services (EMS) currently has 25 paramedics and 25 volunteer members. The Humboldt General Hospital services Humboldt County, Pershing County, parts of Oregon, parts of Idaho, and parts of Lander County for a total of over 10,000 square miles. The Humboldt General Hospital EMS currently works off of two different radio systems; 800 megahertz and very high frequency (VHF). This equipment is over seven years old and coming to an end of life. The equipment is no longer repairable and it is time to begin looking at upgrades. Over the last four months, the equipment has begun to rapidly deteriorate. This hospital serves as the critical access hospital within the district. There may be question that this is for a hospital district and an EMS based hospital system, the operation funds for this system stay within the community. This request is a onetime purchase and will be self-sustaining for the next seven to ten years. This project is scalable. There can be a reduction of 10% or \$13,227.10 to bring the total requested funding to \$119,043.90. Chief Bob Leighton inquired on the current model of the radios being used. Mr. Prichard advised the 800 megahertz radios are Macoms, Gold Piece 7100 are used to communicate with the hospital, a Motorola system is being used for the VHF, and a Bendix King (BK) is being used for handheld. Mr. Leighton clarified that this funding would go towards replacement of the 800 megahertz radios. Mr. Prichard advised that was correct, however, the system being considered is a multi-band. Chief Luna asked for the clarification on the importance of that conversation regarding what is being used currently. Mr. Leighton noted the radios that are being considered are multi-band that allows one radio head to easily switch between radio frequencies. Jordan Kohler advised this upgrade will help with operations currently underway in the area. Chief Luna inquired how these radios were originally procured. Mr. Kohler advised it was unknown how or when the 800 megahertz radios were purchased but the hand held radios were purchased in 2013. Mr. Prichard advised the 800 megahertz radios came from State EMS. The VHF system was purchased through hospital funds. Kelli Anderson noted that funds have never been granted to a hospital directly, the request would usually come through the emergency manager to this body. Ms. Anderson inquired if this hospital was a nonprofit. Tiffany Love noted this was a nonprofit. Ms. Anderson asked if the Humboldt General Hospital District receives or manages grants funding. Mr. Kohler advised grants are usually submitted through the Emergency Management Planning Committee through the Humboldt County Sherriff's Office. Kelli Anderson inquired if this project would be replacing radios that were purchased with hospital funds. Mr. Kohler advised that is correct. Ms. Anderson inquired if funds for this project have been sought elsewhere before coming to this body to request funds. Mr. Kohler advised that had not been done as of yet. This falls under the operation budget and not the capital budget and we're trying to secure grant funds before approaching the county. Ms. Anderson advised this funding was a last resort opportunity. Ms. Anderson advised the challenge is that the radios have already been purchased and this is not a new project. Rachel Skidmore inquired on the thirty handheld radios and who are they used to communicate with. Mr. Prichard advised this would enhance the capability to communicate with anyone across the state along with communication with surrounding agencies. Ms. Skidmore inquired as to who would be receiving these radios. Mr. Prichard noted the radios would be assigned to all first responders and front line personnel. Jeremy Hynds inquired if there was an annual fee for the radios and if Humboldt General Hospital District would be to sustain that cost. Mr. Prichard advised there is no annual fee. Ms. Anderson noted that this grant is primarily for terrorism and there needs to be a terrorism nexus. Mr. Kohler noted this agency provides hazmat technical services as well and not just EMS. This agency handles everything out in the 10,000 square miles. Ms. Anderson inquired as to how training was completed. Mr. Kohler advised they are certified hazmat operators and complete training through a LEPC grant. The closest hazmat resource at this time is from Washoe County and this leads to a delayed response.

Project #160182: Southern Nevada Area Communications Council (SNACC)

Project Description: Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program

Project Contact: David Goss

Funding Request: \$471,525.00

Discussion: No presenter was available to speak to this program; therefore, this project was removed from the ranking process.

Project #160027: City of Elko Fire Department

Project Description: City of Elko Fire Department Hazmat Team

Project Contact: Jack Snyder, City of Elko Fire Department

Funding Request: \$196,200.00

Discussion: Jack Snyder began his presentation by speaking of the increased activities in Elko County. The City of Elko Fire Department is the only hazmat team for all of Elko County as well as the surrounding counties. There has been an increase in hazardous materials traveling through the area due to the mines. This also creates numerous impacts in the region with the main thoroughfare. The City of Elko Fire Department has reached out to LEPCs to form a regional hazmat team with the five surrounding counties. This team has identified a shortfall in detection devices. This funding request is for two detectors that can identify unknown substances. While both detectors are similar one detector is more advanced than the other. These detectors were chosen based on a document published by the Surgeon General on purchasing hand held detector devices. The detectors that were chosen are also highly compatible with the devices used in the surrounding areas primarily with the civil support team that is used most frequently. When the civil support team is requested this usually takes in excess of six hours to receive the assistance which delays the ability to mitigate the response. Mr. Snyder advised this project is scalable. One option is to reduce the total requested funding to \$167,100.00. The other option is to fund one detector at \$62,000.00. Rachel Skidmore noted that Elko Fire has not historically come to this body requesting funds and expressed her full support of this project. Chief Luna inquired if this would be a new capability that will be available if funding is secured. Mr. Snyder advised this would be a new capability that would assist with the CBRNE environment but with the detection of drugs and explosives as well. This will aid in the response to the I-80 corridor through the railway due to the mines. This is a way to combat some of the risks. Administrator Shaun Rahmeyer advised there are no training dollars associated with this request. Mr. Snyder advised the training is included in the total cost of the device. Chief Luna inquired what the impact would be if one device was to be purchased. Mr. Snyder advised either way this would be a win and an increase in capabilities. Kelli Anderson advised with the purchase of equipment, the grant should be responsible for the maintenance. The challenge is if there is a need for additional maintenance and this is funded by Elko County even one time, funding cannot be requested from this body again. Ms. Anderson wants to make sure that Elko County can support the life of this equipment. The warranty needs to be in the equipment. Mr. Snyder advised this was understood and Elko County would be willing and able to support this service. Ms. Anderson also noted that Elko County is resilient and does not ask for funding even in disasters. Ms. Anderson also advised this project would fall under investment justification for emerging threats.

Project #160242: Douglas County

Project Description: Douglas County Sheriff's Office High Risk Public Incident Protection

Presenter: Jim Halsey, Douglas County Sheriff's Office

Funding Request: \$35,200.00

Discussion: Jim Halsey requested funding in the amount of \$35,200.00 to fund vests for the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team. The current SWAT team is composed of 19 members. Last year all 19 of the SWAT vests expired. These vests are different than the regular patrol vests. These vests are Level 3A ballistic vests. These have level three trauma plates with additional cover for key body areas. All 19 vests expired at the same time after a five year warranty. The SWAT teams conduct training of 12 hours per month, this does not include time the vests are in use for call outs or emergency situations. SWAT does also provide security at events that occur in Douglas County, specifically in Lake Tahoe, such as the outdoor concerts, sporting events,

4th of July events, and New Year's Eve events. Douglas County has secured funding for eight vests this year. This funding request is for the additional 11 vests. Dr. Jeanne Freeman inquired if all of the vests expired at the same time, what is being done to prevent this from occurring again in the future. This funding is not meant to anticipate being sustained on a yearly basis. Mr. Halsey advised there are still vests out in the field from 2010. All the vests are expired past a five year time frame that is suggested from the manufacturer. Funding for the SWAT vests needs to be done through grant funding unlike regular patrol vests that are built into the uniform allowance. Funding was provided through fundraiser events and portions of grant funding. Mr. Halsey has requested four vests be replaced each year on a cycle through county funding rather than trying to replace the whole lot at one time. The county budget has not been approved as of yet, so this is an unknown situation regarding funding. Chief Luna inquired as to how the vests were originally procured. Mr. Halsey advised the vests were originally procured through grant funding and private funds. Administrator Shaun Rahmeyer inquired as to what funding stream was secured for the eight vests. Deputy Chief Fogerson advised the funding stream is United We Stand funds. Kelli Anderson advised the United We Stand funds are state funds and not federal dollars. The United We Stand funds loosely compare to the terrorism grants that use the THIRA, SPR, and other processes that are in place. Kelli Anderson advised this project could potentially be funded with deobligated funds, and this needs to be strategically worked through if these need to be replaced again.

Project #159824: Nye County

Project Description: Permanent Emergency Operation Center (EOC)

Presenter: Scott Lewis, Nye County Emergency Management and Patrick Lazerby, Nye County

Funding Request: \$42,576.00

Discussion: Patrick Lazerby spoke to Nye County requesting funds in the amount of \$42,576.00 to establish a permanent emergency operations center. A major goal of the Nye County Emergency Management is to modernize the existing location. This need was also addressed in the after action report from the Area 51 event. The current location is basically a room that is designed and equipped as a volunteer fire station. This funding request would provide for permanent tables and television monitors to display WebEOC, Spillman, and monitor news/weather as emergency situations arise. The goal is to also eventually provide for VTC capabilities. The project is scalable by removing the amount of \$1,269.00 for the conference table as well as removing the mounting hardware and cables in the amount of \$1,196.00. Scott Lewis advised during the recent events there is an inability to fully maximize our ability to support emergency operations. The state also identified these as immediate areas of opportunities. Rachel Skidmore questioned the 40 hours that are designated to personnel and inquired if this would be for employees to build the equipment. Mr. Lazerby advised that was correct, however this amount could be reduced as well. The employee in the center would be setting this up. Kelli Anderson asked for clarification on the reductions. The total reduction amount is \$4,705.00 for a new funding request total of \$37,871.00. Ms. Anderson wanted to make sure this project was not for replacing existing equipment and this cannot be paid out of EMPG funds. Mr. Lewis advised this is all new equipment.

Project #160669: Washoe County Emergency Management & Homeland Security Program

Project Description: Homeland Security Program Assistant

Presenter: Dr. Aaron Kenneston, Washoe County

Funding Request: \$92,000.00

Discussion: Aaron Kenneston spoke to the history of this project. A couple of years ago, Washoe County approached the state with many deferred Homeland Security projects. The county is quickly approaching the 500,000 population mark. Washoe approached the state seeking help in minimizing the backlog of projects. The plan was to approach this body for funding for a three year period. The idea being that once the three year period began, Washoe County would receive Homeland Security funds. When the end of the three years was reached, sustainment would be done on the county level. The first year \$10,000.00 was requested and the second year \$30,000.00 was requested. With the county budget increasing reliance on HSGP funds

decreased. Progress has been made through meeting with NTAC and NRICC in increasing the Homeland Security presence. There have been challenges however. The first challenge was last year's grant funding was not a three year grant. It was only a two year performance period. The second challenge was in getting the grants approved. Tradeoffs were made and ended up with a grand total of \$92,000.00 which was not enough funding for three years. Dr. Kenneston is back for the second time asking for additional funds. These funds would get Washoe County through the three year period to become self-sufficient. Chief Luna inquired about the scalability of this project and the timeframe that this request covers for the position. Dr. Kenneston advised this position was hired within the last few months. The performance period would be two years. Dr. Kenneston advised this project is scalable and the amount is negotiable.

Project #159865: Nevada Division of Emergency Management

Project Description: Statewide CERT/Citizen Corps

Presenter: Stephanie Parker, DEM/HS

Funding Request: \$19,598.74

Discussion: Statewide CERT formerly known by Statewide Citizen Corps is an ongoing program that supports the sustainment of CERT programs in local jurisdictions promoting preparedness in a whole community approach. For those not familiar, CERT Programs, Community Emergency Response Team Programs, are volunteers sponsored by public emergency response agencies such as fire, law enforcement and emergency management with a focus on increasing individual preparedness, building individual/small business and community resilience, and to enhance individual response in the continued and growing threats faced across this nation and communities throughout Nevada in places that are considered soft targets and crowded places. These volunteers provide support that is valued at over \$20 per hour that response agencies can use as match for grants for emergency preparedness activities. According to the Independent Sector, the value of volunteer time in Nevada in 2018 was \$22.61 per hour. The updated value is typically released during National Volunteer Week in April, so the 2019 value is not available yet. Local CERT Programs in Nevada are sponsored and managed by the respective local jurisdictions. Some of them include programs you have heard from today like Douglas County, Southern Nevada CERT training program, Northeastern Nevada, Washoe and Tribal CERT. Other teams in Nevada that do not receive any funding and are managed by non-paid volunteers include Carson City and Storey County CERT. Over the past 2 years the Statewide CERT Program in collaboration with north eastern Nevada has set-up the capability to assist in the requests from White Pine County and Mineral County to expand their capability to recruit and train volunteers. The statewide CERT also provides support to local jurisdiction and tribal programs with classroom supplies and trainers for the CERT Basic Academy. The volunteers assist their sponsoring agency in educating the community on how to prepare for all hazards to include promoting the "See Something, Say Something" in partnership with the partners such as Nevada Threat Analysis Center. The CERT programs promote engagement and participation by our communities in building capabilities. They help public emergency response agencies instill a culture of awareness, vigilance and preparedness. Roy Anderson inquired as to why there is a request for 30 training tourniquets and if there will that be many people attending a single training. Ms. Parker advised the 30 tourniquets are sent out across Nevada for the numerous CERT programs to utilize.

Dave Hunkup asked for clarification on the total number of projects to be ranked. Chief Luna advised the ranking will be one through thirteen as two projects have been removed.

8. Recommendations for Communications Projects Submitted for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)

Melissa Friend, DEM/HS, was tasked with reviewing SHSP and UASI communication projects as the Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC). Only the SHSP communication projects were ranked. Ms. Friend advised all of the communication projects that were submitted for this grant cycle are in line with the National Emergency Communications Plan. Ms. Friend ranked the projects for funding as follows:

1. Project ID # 159793 SWIC (DEM)
2. Project ID# 160478 Humboldt General Hospital District EMS Rescue Radio Project
3. Project ID #160182 Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program (SNACC)

Ms. Friend advised that the SWIC project is a strategic capacity to be maintained. The other two projects were considered to be new competitive projects. Project ID #160182 that is ranked as number three has been removed from the HSGP process. Dave Hunkup asked for clarification if the Committee was only ranking two projects. Chief Luna noted that these are the recommendations from the SWIC. The Committee will consider Project ID#160478 for the overall ranking of the competitive projects as Project ID #159793 falls under the maintain capacity projects.

9. Recommendations for Cybersecurity Projects Submitted for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)

Administrator Shaun Rahmeyer, Office of Cyber Defense Coordination (OCDC), serves as a Cyber Security subject matter expert for the Committee. The OCDC was given the task of reviewing and ranking the cyber security projects. As with the previous funding cycle, a scoring matrix was used. Projects aligned with three cyber related focus areas. These areas consist of the following; utilization of the Center for Internet Security (CIS) top twenty controls, industry risk framework and training, and align with the OCDC strategic plan. Additionally projects were ranked based off the demonstrated cyber security need, statewide and regional impact, project proposals, and how well the goals and objectives were identified. Also taken into consideration was if the project proposals included specific measurable tasks to identify the impact of each program. The projects were ranked as follows:

1. Project ID# 160015 Secretary of State, NetFlow and Intrusion Detection System Monitoring
2. Project ID# 159870 Nevada Department of Administration, Cybersecurity and Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GRC) Enhancement Modules
3. Project ID# 159752 Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Cybersecurity

Chief Luna noted all three projects were included as strategic capacities to be maintained.

10. Discussion of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Project Proposal Funding and Modifications

Chief Luna noted this agenda item is for discussion only as a last opportunity for members to ask questions regarding the ranking process or on any of the projects proposals. Mary Ann Laffoon asked for clarification on only ranking projects one through thirteen, as two projects were removed but also if ranking was based on deductions that were taken or on the full amount. Kelli Anderson noted that the projects currently being considered, the starting amounts, and the proposed reduction amounts could be read into the record. Dr. Jeanne Freeman inquired if projects were going to be ranked on how they connected to the capabilities and then there would be a discussion on the dollar amounts later. Chief Luna noted the rankings should be based on capability and capacity. There will be an opportunity once the rankings are compiled to evaluate how the rankings fall within the amount of funding remaining and where those projects fall as far as funding reductions that were considered. Kelli Anderson noted that the projects currently being considered are as follows:

- Project ID#159986 University of Nevada Reno/WNCC
Original amount \$235,456.00
Potential reduction of \$48,582.00
New amount of \$186,674.00

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- Project ID#160256 Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department – Voluntarily removed from consideration
- Project ID#159753 Washoe County Sheriff's Office
Original amount \$40,125.00
Potential reduction – No reduction
New amount \$40,125.00
- Project ID#160645 TRIAD hazmat/ Reno Fire Department
Original amount \$218,565.00
Potential reduction \$72,855.00
New amount \$145,710.00
- Project ID#160504 Washoe County School District
Original amount \$41,240.00
Potential reduction – No reduction
New amount \$41,240.00
- Project ID#160331 Nevada Division of Emergency Management (NIMS Technology)
Original amount \$129,600.00
Potential reduction – No reduction
New amount \$129,600.00
- Project ID#160457 Nevada Division of Emergency Management (Statewide NIMS)
Original amount \$180,155.00
Potential reduction \$110,500.00
New amount \$69,655.00
- Project ID# 160439 Washoe County Sheriff's Office
Original amount \$97,584.00
Potential reduction \$65,056.00
New amount \$32,528.00
- Project ID#160478 Humboldt General Hospital District
Original amount \$132,271.00
Potential reduction \$13,227.10
New amount \$119,043.90
- Project ID#160182 Southern Nevada Area Communications Council (SNACC) – Project was removed due to absence of representation
- Project ID#160027 City of Elko Fire Department
Original amount \$196,200.00
Potential reduction \$29,100.00
New amount \$167,100.00
- Project ID#160242 Douglas County
Original amount \$35,200.00
Potential reduction – No reduction

New amount \$35,200.00

- Project ID#159824 Nye County
Original amount \$42,576.00
Potential reduction \$4,705.00
New amount \$37,871.00
- Project ID#160669 Washoe County Emergency Management & Homeland Security Program
Original amount \$92,000.00
Potential reduction – No reduction
New amount \$92,000.00
- Project ID#159865 Nevada Division of Emergency Management (Statewide Cert/Citizen Corps)
Original amount \$19,598.74
Potential reduction – No Reduction
New amount \$19,598.74

Kelli Anderson advised that currently there is a \$718,352.06 deficit. This means that the \$718,352.06 will eventually need to be cut out of the budget to go in as a balance budget. Chief Luna noted this discussion could continue once the projects were ranked to see where the projects fall. Kelly Echeverria inquired if with the DEM Technology request, can this be funded through Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) funds. Kelli Anderson advised the remaining EMPG balance is usually \$20,000.00 to \$30,000.00 for equipment once salaries and operating costs are taken out. That left over pot of money is generally used for training for the National Incident Management System (NIMS) compliance part of the emergency management projects. The remaining funding is flexible and is used to host travel or training for the local jurisdictions or internally to assist with the yearly Nevada Preparedness Summit (NPS) conference. If any amount of money is pushed towards equipment, it would be a stretch to support the ongoing NPS conference. Carolyn Levering, City of Las Vegas, noted for the record that once the ranking has been completed, it has not been discussed for the projects above the line to take voluntary cuts as well.

11. Review and Ranking of State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Project and Budget Proposals for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)

Chief Luna advised that this agenda item was for discussion and possible action. The first set of recommendations that need to be considered are the projects included in the maintain capacities category. The total amount being considered is \$3,642,403.42. Rachel Skidmore spoke to taking a voluntary reduction for Project ID # 159745 for a total amount of \$21,000.00 for a new project total amount of \$566,450.00. Ms. Skidmore encouraged other projects above the line to take voluntary reductions where possible. Chief Luna advised this discussion can continue once the ranking is completed. The ranking sheet is for the fifteen competitive projects. Chief Luna noted Project ID # 160256 and Project ID #160182 have been removed. The Committee will only be ranking thirteen projects instead of the original fifteen.

****Meeting break at 2:20 p.m.; meeting reconvened at 3:30 p.m. with quorum****

Kelli Anderson spoke to the final ranking results. Currently, there is a specific amount of funding available to be allocated to the projects listed below the maintain capacities. Ms. Anderson advised that if projects one through six were funded, that would be a total of \$501,701.00. To get to this point, a couple projects from above would need to take a reduction. Other projects will not be funded unless there are substantial reductions. Chief Luna asked about the additional 15% and if there are any projects below the project that is ranked 6th that would fall into the four national priorities that could potentially be funded. Ms. Anderson

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spoke to Project ID# 160439 Washoe County Sheriff's Office robot that may fall in line with the plus 15%. If starting at the bottom Project ID# 160242 could be a possibility although not probable. It is possible to ask Project ID# 160027, City of Elko, for additional funds, also putting the three Washoe County Sheriff's robots into emerging threats. This is where we would fall and wouldn't be able to fund. Project ID# 159986, University of Nevada Reno/WNCC, was ranked thirteenth; this project could be added with the total amount of \$235,456.00. This would go under the national priority number two of enhancing soft targets. Ms. Anderson noted it would be possible to bolster a few projects to add. The minimum amount to submit for the plus 15% is \$643,125.00. Rachel Skidmore asked for clarification on the fact that even to fund Project ID# 159824, Nye County, the ranking total is at \$501,000.00 which is still over the \$430,721.58 so does this mean there need to be more cuts before Nye County gets all their funding. Kelli Anderson advised that was correct and suggested opening the floor to the maintained projects to see which projects would be able and willing to take a voluntary reduction. Project updates were as follows:

- Project ID#159870 Department of Administration
Original amount \$215,800.00
Potential reduction \$52,000.00
New amount \$163,800.00
- Project ID#160015 Nevada Secretary of State
Original amount \$134,390.00
Potential reduction - None
New amount \$134,390.00
- Project ID#159752 Washoe County Sheriff's Office
Original amount \$90,072.00
Potential reduction \$10,000.00
New amount \$80,072.00
- Project ID#159745 Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department
Original amount \$587,450.00
Potential reduction \$21,000.00
New amount \$566,450.00
- Project ID#159949 Nevada Threat Analysis Center
Original amount \$696,427.85
Potential reduction \$30,000.00
New amount \$666,427.85
- Project ID#160116 Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department ARMOR Section
Original amount \$100,000.00
Potential reduction \$5,000.00
New amount \$95,000.00
- Project ID#160486 Tahoe Douglas Bomb Squad
Original amount \$69,600.00
Potential reduction \$7,250.00
New amount \$62,350.00
- Project ID#159746 Washoe County Sheriff's Office – Consolidated Bomb Squad
Original amount \$205,000.00

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Potential reduction \$5,000.00

New amount \$200,000.00

- Project ID#160328 Nevada Division of Emergency Management – NIMS Technology
Original amount \$41,300.00
Potential reduction - None
New amount \$41,300.00
- Project ID#160622 Nevada Division of Emergency Management- Tribal NIMS
Original amount \$92,700.00
Potential reduction - None
New amount \$92,700.00
- Project ID#160465 Nevada Division of Emergency Management – Statewide NIMS
Original amount \$ 460,128.00
Potential reduction - None
New amount \$460,128.00
- Project ID#159793 Nevada Division of Emergency Management - SWIC
Original amount \$35,871.55
Potential reduction \$10,000.00
New amount \$25,871.55
- Project ID#160245 Douglas County Emergency CERT
Original amount \$21,200.00
Potential reduction \$2,000.00
New amount \$19,200.00

Rachel Skidmore advised she is not in favor of this reduction and would like to reject this reduction. This reduction of \$2,000.00 is 10% of the total funding requested. If a reduction can be made elsewhere that would be favorable. Kelly Echeverria agreed with that statement and noted the CERT volunteers are integral in every aspect across the state.

- Project ID#159829 Elko County Sheriff's Office
Original amount \$65,181.00
Potential reduction \$1,000.00
New amount \$64,181.00

Chief Luna rejected this offer of reduction on the same basis that CERT programs are essential. Carolyn Levering agreed with Chief Luna and rejecting this reduction. This reduction will not be included moving forward.

- Project ID#160458 Nevada Division of Emergency Management-Statewide Tribal Citizen Corp Prog. Maintenance
Original amount \$10,579.02
Potential reduction – No reduction
New amount \$10,579.02
- Project ID#159751 Washoe County Sheriff's Office
Original amount \$105,479.00

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Potential reduction \$25,126.00

New amount \$80,353.00

- Project ID#160511 Nevada Division of Emergency Management – Resilience Strategy
Original amount \$39,100.00
Potential reduction \$7,000.00
New amount \$32,100.00
- Project ID#160263 Washoe County Emergency Management & Homeland Security Program
Original amount \$200,000.00
Potential reduction \$5,000.00
New amount \$195,000.00
- Project ID#160473 Nevada Division of Emergency Management – Public Alerts and Warning
Original amount \$210,500.00
Potential reduction \$20,000.00
New amount \$190,500.00
- Project ID#159810 Nevada Division of Emergency Management – Statewide Recovery Plan Implementation
Original amount \$47,250.00
Potential reduction – No reduction
New amount \$47,250.00

Kelli Anderson advised that once a contract is locked down, funding for the past two years will be reconciled. Depending on that process, money could be de-obligated. DEM/ HS will come back in July after knowing where FFY2020 HGSP funds stand and provide the Committee with a presentation on this project.

- Project ID#162699 Nevada Division of Emergency Management – Soft Target Enhancement (County Election Security)
Original amount \$214,375.00
Potential reduction – No reduction
New amount \$214,375.00

Chief Luna asked Kelli Anderson to provide the Committee with an update regarding the total project reductions. Ms. Anderson advised the total that can be allocated is \$496,448.00. Looking at the current ranking of projects, City of Elko Fire Department is still ranked as the number one. The original amount of this project was \$196,000.00, the proposed reduction amount is \$29,100.00, and this leaves the new project total as \$167,100.00. Projects one through six can be funded. The total is \$501,701.00. A few thousand dollars still need to be reduced in order to make this work. Rachel Skidmore spoke to the \$501,000.00 being the same amount before all the reductions were taken. Ms. Anderson advised that is correct. Kelly Echeverria advised the total reductions were \$189,376.00 for the competitive projects. Ms. Anderson noted with the cuts, the total of funding to allocate is \$620,097.58. Projects one through eight can be funded in full and project nine would be partially funded. The project total of \$648,499 is left. If there is an additional reduction of \$19,598.74, project nine could be funded in full. Lieutenant Corey Solferino advised that project ID #159753 could take an additional reduction of \$2,625.00 leaving the new total of \$37,500.00. Jon Bakkedahl, DEM/HS, regarding project ID# 160465 proposed taking a reduction of \$20,000.00 to cover the \$19,000.00 deficit. Ms. Anderson suggested project ID# 160511 can take a reduction of \$19,598.74 and balance the budget. Stephanie Parker, DEM/HS, proposed project ID# 159865 take a reduction of \$3,927.00 from the travel for the NPS in 2021 as it will be held in Reno. Kelli Anderson the new project total is \$15,671.74. Roy Anderson

advised as the president of Nevada Emergency Preparedness Association (NEPA), scholarships can be looked at to assist the rural areas in attending the NPS. Rachel Skidmore spoke to projects that are ranked 10th 11th, 12th, and 13th, and if 11 and 13 are eligible for the plus up 15, number 10 and 12 are not eligible. The plus up value this year is \$643,000.00. Assuming both projects are pulled, there still needs to be additional projects to be included in the plus 15. Chief Luna advised this was a potential. If there are projects that fall within those four national priority areas that took cuts, take those cuts and add them back into the plus 15. This is not guaranteed from a national level. This is dependent on other state programs. Kelli Anderson advised there were enough reductions to fund projects ranked one through nine with a balanced budget. Rachel Skidmore asked if there was a current balance of de-obligated funds for SHSP. Ms. Anderson advised that was a potential but would require further research. Deputy Chief Dave Fogerson made a motion to recommend funding of projects one through nine and to look at rankings 11th and 13th to be included in the plus 15. Chief Luna asked to amend this motion to include the additional maintain capacities. Mr. Fogerson's amended motion is to recommend approval for all the projects with the recommend reductions proposed and funding the ranked projects one through nine and a second was provided by Roy Anderson. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) and Investment Justification (IJ) Review

This agenda item was not discussed at the discretion of the chair

13. Next Steps in the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Process

This agenda item was not discussed at the discretion of the chair

14. Discussion on the Statewide Preparedness Efforts for the Coronavirus

This agenda item was not discussed at the discretion of the chair

15. Discussion of Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Allocations

This agenda item was not discussed at the discretion of the chair

16. Public Comment

Chief Luna opened the discussion for public comment in all venues. Scott Lewis, Nye County, thanked everyone for their cooperation throughout this process. No public comment was provided by the Carson City venue or by the phone.

17. Adjourn

Chief Luna called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion to adjourn was presented by Robert Dehnhardt and a second was provided by Deputy Chief Fogerson. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.