



## Minutes Nevada Homeland Security Commission Finance Committee Meeting

### ATTENDANCE

<b>DATE</b>	18 May 2011
<b>TIME</b>	3:00 PM
<b>LOCATION</b>	500 S Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas NV 2478 Fairview Drive, Carson City NV
<b>METHOD</b>	Videoconference
<b>RECORDER</b>	Larry Casey

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Staff &amp; Others in Attendance</b>	<b>Present</b>
Doug Gillespie, Chairman	<b>X</b>	James Wright, Director DEM	
Dr. Dale Carrison		Irene Navis, Clark County Emergency Manager	<b>X</b>
Bill Welch			
Stacey Giomi	<b>X</b>		
Doug Stevens	<b>X</b>		
Carolyn Levering	<b>X</b>		
Kyle Devine	<b>X</b>		
Angela Krutsinger	<b>X</b>		
Stan Smith	<b>X</b>		
Adam Sandler	<b>X</b>	Larry Casey, Homeland Security Commission Staff	<b>X</b>
Terry Bohl	<b>X</b>	Samantha Ladich, AG representative to the Commission	<b>X</b>

### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

At 1:00 PM Chairman Gillespie called the meeting to order. A roll call was held and it was determined that there was a quorum present.

### COMMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN

Chairman Gillespie moved directly to the agenda items.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Gillespie asked if there were any comments on the minutes of the 2 May 2011 meeting. Ms. Angela Krutsinger pointed out an error on page 3 (\$700 should read \$700,000). The Chairman hearing no other comments he entertained a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Krutsinger made a motion to approve subject to the changes noted. Mr. Stan Smith seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously and the minutes, with noted changes, were approved.

**REVIEW AND PRIORITIZATION OF 2010 HSGP PRIORITIES WITH THE INTENT TO FORMULATE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON HOMELAND SECURITY** – Chairman Doug Gillespie opened this item with information from a significant discussion on FFY 2011 and 2012 funding that came from a phonecon with DHS. The conversation covered the funding levels and guidance for 2011.

- DHS is advising grant guidance will not be out for at least another week or two. Once the guidance is out there will be a 30 day turn around to submit the applications.

- Amounts allocated nationally for the SHSGP (new title for old SHSP) program come to \$725 million (down from \$950 million).
- Many will be merged in 2011. Metropolitan Medical Reserve System (MMRS) and Citizen Corps Program (CCP) will be combined into the SHSGP.
- The drop in funding for the SHSGP (after carve-outs only \$580 million available) amounts to a 35% cut from 2010.
- The UASI funding will be reduced from \$887 million to around \$725 million. The Tier 1 cities will remain the same as in 2010. Some of the Tier 2 cities will be eliminated. Right now that number will not go below 25 so Las Vegas should be OK.
- As for future funding we won't know much until the funding bill in the House of Representatives moves to the floor.
- There will be a 25% carve-out for Law Enforcement. It is not known at this time how the language for that carve-out will read. It is likely to follow the language of the old Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP).

Chairman Gillespie directed the committee to focus on 2011 and not take the 2012 proposals into account. He went on to state that in the past we have funded projects until we ran out of money. This year we will have less funding so we will have to be more selective. The intent for this meeting is to go through the projects on the agenda on what the projects involve. We will not vote on allocations at this meeting as we will have to hold another meeting as soon as DHS releases their guidance.

Ms. Irene Navis stated that because of the threat to Urban Area funding the County Commission is signing a letter to Congress stating their concerns on the 2012 allocations. She will keep the Committee informed as information comes in.

Chairman Gillespie stated we need to be out front for 2012 funding. This information needs to be discussed at a future meeting of the full Commission on Homeland Security. The proposals being discussed in the House of Representatives will have a significant impact on funding sources. We need to be able to stress how critical the prevention aspects that these funds are used for is to Nevada.

Ms. Carolyn Levering stated as a follow on comment the Mayor of Las Vegas, along with a number of other major urban area mayors, is sending a similar letter to congress.

Chairman Gillespie polled the committee if they were OK with conducting a review of the projects and not work on funding allocations. The committee indicated by voice that they were in line with the Chairman's concept of operations. The Chairman asked the project managers to identify any areas in their programs that they would be willing to voluntarily reduce the funding. He then started the review of the projects .

#### BLOCK 1 PROGRAMS:

##### CITIZEN CORPS PROGRAMS:

The first project was the Las Vegas Citizen Corps Program. The committee quickly determined the best way to proceed was to talk about all the Citizen Corps programs at one time rather than jump back and forth as they are printed on the Agenda.

Chairman Gillespie noted from the conversation with DHS CCP funding will be rolled into the SHSGP funds and drop nationwide from \$13 million to \$10 million.

Mr. Terry Bohl indicated he would work with Kelli Anderson at DEM to reduce funding for the Tribal Emergency Response Commission. He estimated he could cut by 50%.

Mr. Rick Diebold indicated he would also work to reduced the SHSP request for the Las Vegas Citizen Corps program.

Mr. Stan Smith asked Washoe County how many Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) members they have on board. (Answer – 800 certified of which 400 are active).

Ms. Krutsinger asked what the sustainment plans were for CitizenCorps. Ms. Valerie Sumner indicated the individual programs are working on outreach programs locally to keep funding coming in. Mr. Staci Gimoi observed that all local Citizen Corps programs get large amounts of support from their local communities.

#### STATEWIDE INTEROPERABILITY COORDINATOR

Mr. Bob Wideman gave a short overview of his program.

Chairman Gillespie asked if he has been coordinating with Mr. Bohl on the Tribal Interoperability. Mr. Wideman indicated he has and they have a coordinated strategy for the state.

Chairman Gillespie asked if the Tribal Coordinator could be rolled into the same project as the State Coordinator. Mr. Bohl indicated the key to working with the Tribes is to maintain a close personal relationship. By merging the two programs you loose those ties that are making the process work.

Mr. Staci Giomi asked a question on was the the 700MHz plan for rural Nevada.

Mr. Wideman replied noted this is actually covered in project further down the agenda but was glad to reply. The 700MHz plan is designed to set up governance for a public safety broadband plan. It is not related to any current 700 MHz systems currently on hand. He talked how the intended users would be able to move between systems and noted that this system will impact users all over Nevada.

#### INTER-TRIBAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMITTEE (ITERC) TRIBAL NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)

Mr. Bohl provided a brief overview of the project. The ITERC NIMS project is a statewide project which has created a template of actions that the Tribes can use to become fully NIMS compliant. To date we have completed 4 Tribes and are working with the rest of the 27 Nevada Tribes.

#### HOMELAND SECURITY WORKING GROUP PLANNING

Ms. Irene Navis provided a briefing on this project.

Chairman Gillespie asked if the funds requested is consistent with previous years. (Answer, yes.)

#### WASHOE COUNTY SILVER SHIELD

LT Jerry Baldrige stated the program has been doing well since it opened in 2008. We are in a refinement and direction phase of operations. We have been working on assessments and have been working on streamlining our processes and are on par where we should be.

Chairman Gillespie asked what the plan would be for the personnel if funding went away. LT Baldrige indicated that the positions are needed and they would have to take over the personnel costs. He also indicated the personnel on board have been hired from the outside and were not taken from existing positions.

Mr. Bohl asked about reducing the costs associated with the positions. LT Baldrige indicated the costs are tied to employee contracts and would require collective bargaining to reduce. The committee discussed with LT Baldrige the possibility of these contractors taking a pay cut to bring them into line with the pay of other Washoe County employees.

#### NEVADA THREAT ANALYSIS CENTER (NTAC)

SGT Marty Roberto was available to answer questions on this project.

Chairman Gillespie asked how they hourly pay on the budget was calculated. SGT Roberto indicated it was based on a 40 hour work week for 52 weeks a year. He also indicated these were contractors and not state employees.

Mr. Bohl asked if there was a way to reduce the amount of pay for the individuals. SGT Roberto stated they were working on a 5% pay cut to bring them in line with the reductions to state employees. Chairman Gillespie asked him to look at this reduction and come back at the next meeting with the reduction.

SGT Roberto also indicated they were looking to take some existing excess 2009 funds and use them to reduce the 2011 request by around \$299,000.

Mr. Stan Smith asked what the NTAC hours of operation were. (Answer – 7:30 in the morning to 5:00 in the afternoon five days a week. After hours our phones roll over to our dispatch center where is a 24 hour response if needed )

#### NORTHERN NEVADA COUNTER TERRORISM CENTER (NNCTC)

LT Baldrige stated that both the Silver Shield and NNCTC contractors were in the same category and that they would look into reducing the contract amounts.

Chairman Gillespie asked if these were separate positions from the ones identified with the Silver Shield program (Answer, yes) He then asked what the Tech-Developer did for the program. (Answer – the Tech Developer works with the programs that are being used in the center).

Mr. Stan Smith asked what the NNCTC hours of operation were. (Answer – 7:30 in the morning to 5:00 in the afternoon five days a week.)

Mr. Bohl asked if there is any ability to combine the operations of the two centers. (Answer – That has to be discussed by the centers.) Mr. Bohl asked the two centers to come back at the next meeting with the projected reductions to personnel costs that have been talked about today.

Chairman Gillespie stated that we could ask the two centers to see what it would take to combine and make a suggestion to the Commission on Homeland Security. We at the Finance Committee don't have the authority to require the two to merge. On 7 June as part of the feedback from this meeting to the Commission he could report this suggestion.

#### STATEWIDE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Ms. Kelli Baratti provided a briefing on this program. This is a NIMS program that puts equipment that could be deployed in an emergency into a statewide database. This database has been used in local incidents.

Chairman Gillespie wanted to know what the sustainment plan for this project is. (Answer, this program is needed so some sort of way to fund the personnel will be found. The position involves more tasks than simply entering data it also involves operations when an incident occurs as well as other duties involving NIMS processes.)

Chairman Gillespie instructed the program managers to be sure to tell the committee the duties and responsibilities for any personnel that they are requesting funds for.

#### LVMPD SILVER SHIELD

Ms. Michelle Belmont & LT Dennis Domanski provided an overview on the program and its current status. The program manages and catalogs all the Critical Infrastructure (CI) in Clark County and the Southern Nevada Area. To do this they are facilitated by a contract with Urban Environmental Research (UER). She went on to describe parts of the program in place as well as the outreach efforts to both the public and private sector. Included in this is the Critical Infrastructure Protection Program (CIPPs) that provides a catalog of CI and a web-based first

responder tool. Currently there are over 700 users of the CIPPs program and they are constantly training more users. The CIPPs tool is also used by our partners in the other two fusion centers in the state.

Ms. Belmont talked the personnel and sustainment piece for this project. She mentioned she is not a contractor and is an employee of the LVMPD. Our primary focus for sustainment is to fund our positions internally and we are creating a back up system for data and data entry. All three centers are working together to develop sustainment plans for the program statewide.

Chairman Gillespie asked if they had discussed what to do with UER if we can no longer continue to fund their contract.

Ms. Belmont stated that UER was a valued partner and without their assistance they would be difficult to keep up with all the required assessments of CI.

Chairman Gillespie stated that he appreciated the outstanding job UER has done with this project. He continued by posing a question, for not just this project but for all others who use contractors, at which point do we make a determination on if we still need them or if their positions need to be filled internally.

LT Domanski concurred that UER has done an outstanding job with the program since they took it over in 2006. They have been building a redundant system that will eventually lead to a phasing out of UER's involvement.

Mr. Doug Stevens asked about the number of sites that need to be assessed. Ms. Belmont indicated that there were over 700 sites in Southern Nevada with close to 2500 statewide. This started an extensive discussion on the number of sites, how many had been assessed, and how much work statewide remained to be done. The discussion talked to how the information is gathered and how many sites are required by the scope of work for the project. Annually this equates to 130 phase 1 & 2 assessments each year along with work on training, special event support and work on the DHS data call.

Mr. Bohl asked two questions. The first was based on the numbers just briefed it appeared it would take 5 more years to complete this project and he wanted to confirm that timeline. The second question was based on this effort being a public/private effort he wanted to know if the private sector has provided any assistance.

LT Domanski stated based on the concept that we are phasing out UER not every site will be assessed by them. This program will be around for quite some time and will require us to continue the assessment process on our own. Also consider that periodically we will have to re-assess every site to insure the information is up to date. This program will be ongoing over an extended period of time. We do not expect to be asking to fund this program for the long term and local organizations will be asked to fund their parts of the program. The private sector is not funding the program at this time.

Dr. Shelia noted that the 700 sites includes both federal sites and state critical sites that do not fit the federal guidelines (like schools and hospitals) that the Commission has directed be cataloged. Currently the Commission's Critical Infrastructure committee is looking at the overall list to narrow the priorities so a workable number of sites to be assessed can be determined.

CPT Brett Primas (Chairman Critical Infrastructure committee) stated that we as a state have to make a decision on what parts of critical infrastructure need to be protected. Included with this is how to go about providing the resources to continue this program. For example if the UASI goes away then there may not be a need for a data call any longer which would reduce the requirements.

Chairman Gillespie stated that it is important to know about the CI, where it is at and the hazards associated with it. This makes the sustainment of this program is important. He stated there seems to be confusion on what Silver Shield is and what it does and he asked the CI committee to brief the Commission on this during their report at the next Commission meeting.

Ms. Navis felt the like all consultants hired for a particular purpose to put systems in place we need to see the value in the product we are paying for.

Mr. Giomi stated a general comment that CI is important and one of the issues is getting the data in the hands of the end user.

Mr. Stevens stated that as far as the Henderson Fire Department is concerned the product from this program is a command tool and not something that is immediately used at the incident level.

Ms. Navis asked if there is a "Train the Trainer" tool being developed for this program (Answer – Yes, it is being developed as part of the web-based tools with this program.)

#### SOUTHERN NEVADA COUNTER TERRORISM CENTER (SNCTC)

LT Tom Monahan presented a detailed and lengthy brief on the 2011 program plan.

He noted that there are currently two positions in the proposal: The first is for a Privacy Officer at around \$90,000 (who deals with nationally classified information is handled properly) and \$120,000 for an intelligence analyst for North Las Vegas. Note the need for this position may be eliminated from the NLV city budget so this item may go away.

All additional items for operating costs will be covered by carrying forward surplus funds associated with the current center. As part of our sustainment plan we are moving from leased space to the new LVMPD headquarters complex and leverage the funds for leased property to cover operating costs.

LT Monahan then continued with a detailed brief on how funding for the UNLV Institute for Security Studies (ISS) will be doing as their part of this project.

- Community Outreach – the costs of \$24,000 per DVD are determined by historical records on how much is required to produce each product.
- \$162,000 to enhance the current SNCTC website allowing for better use by public and first responders. Costs again are based on historical records.
- Enhance the current Terrorism Liaison Officer (TLO) and Fusion Liaison Officer (FLO) programs. The \$265,000 TLO part includes upgrades to record tracking, additional information, and marketing to a wider group of agencies. The \$332,000 FLO part includes expanding the number of 10 minute training DVDs that can be used by the private sector to train their workforce on the terrorist threat.

LT Monahan explained that they use the UNLV ISS for these programs because internally they do not have the expertise or experience to produce this sort of product. The ISS has a proven track record.

Ms. Krutsinger expressed a concern that exact details on for each of the parts of the program he just described are not in the budget and wanted a better breakdown of costs and milestones. LT Monahan agreed to provide a more detailed budget. She also wanted to know how this particular project improves our Target Capabilities – there is no "Fusion Center" on the current Target Capability List (TCL) and wanted to know how this ties with "information sharing".

LT Monahan stated that part of the challenge is a Fusion Center is only concerned with the "Prevention" part of the mission although it can be expanded into part of the "Prevention" mission. These are the areas where Fusion Centers tie into the TCL.

Mr. Bohl proposed that less money could be spent on the DVDs and website by going out to other sources.

Chairman Gillespie mentioned that we cannot forget that Fusion Centers deal with all crimes and all hazards. He then went on to describe some of the products the centers produce.

Mr. Stevens observed that every incident we can get in front of an incident is worth it. He did challenge the idea that we need to do our own videos.

LT Monahan appreciated the comments and mentioned that in part this is the cost of being on the cutting edge. The difference between the DVDs we produce and some of the others available is the content is specifically aimed at an audience of users in Nevada.

Chairman Gillespie brought up the requirement to discuss NCHS-18 (project to reallocate FFY2009 SNCTC funds that was moved to this meeting from the 2 May meeting). He asked if this reallocation of funds has been taken into account with the 2011 grant request.

LT Monahan stated the request to move the 2009 funds is not meant to be a stand alone project but a building block. The 2011 program builds on the developments that the shift in 2009 funds would produce.

Ms. Anderson cautioned we will need to look at the pass through costs associated with state agencies. This will have an impact on the 2011 request. DEM is looking at the invoices and they do not believe at this time we will have been out of compliance with DHS regulations on how to allocate grant funding. (Ms. Navis indicated they had never had any problems come up during past DHS audits of UASI funds). In the case of NCHS-18 we would need to make sure we followed all the federal guidelines if we made the change.

Mr. Bohl wanted to know why we couldn't reduce the 2011 request by the amount of 2009 funds that are being reallocated. (LT Monahan indicated that they had already reduced their request but saw the need to relook their proposal and make reductions were ever they could).

Hearing now other discussion on NCHS-18 Chairman Gillespie called for a motion. Mr. Stan Smith made a motion to approve the reallocation of funds as prescribed in NCHS-18, contingent on Federal approval. Mr. Adam Sandler seconded the motion. The Chairman called for additional comments.

Ms. Krutsinger asked why DEM did not sign off as recommending this change request. (Answer – DEM has compliance concerns but are prepared to work through those concerns).

Chairman Gillespie asked Ms. Anderson that with the compliance concerns what are the other options? (Answer – we can reprogram the funding directly to the fusion center to keep the project moving ahead.)

Mr. Bohl asked if we could just send the funds back to the UASI so they can recommend where to spend it? (Answer – We could but the first option is to keep the funding with the program and avoid additional delays in shifting funds to other programs).

Hearing no further comments the Chair called for a voice vote and with 6 "Yes" and 2 "No" votes the motion was passed.

#### NDOT CROSSBAND REPEATER GATEWAY

Mr. Bob Wideman provided a brief description of the project and what it is expected to accomplish. He stated that the timeframe from the point where equipment is purchased to when the system is operational is a matter of months with the purchasing process taking the majority of the time.

Mr. Giomi asked if funded this would complete the project? (Answer – within the counties it directly impacts as part of the program yes – but to expand it to other counties would require additional funds.)

Mr. Wideman, after some discussion on the size of the project, was asked to consider scaling it into smaller pieces and extending it over several years.

#### STATEWIDE CREDENTIALING

Ms. Kelli Baratti provided a brief description – there were no questions from the committee.

#### NIMS COMPLIANCE

Mr. Pete Reinschmidt described this as a program required by DHS and covered equipment and personnel typing.

#### STATEWIDE COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM AND CAPABILITY ASSESSMENT

Mr. Bud Marshall stated some of the requirements to the state for this program and how this program would complete those requirements. This will allow us to assess target capabilities and how successfully they have been addressed with the use of grant funds.

#### WASHOE COUNTY EOC

Mr. Aaron Kenneston reviewed this program and when asked if he could scale it over several years he stated he would consider that option.

#### SOUTHERN NEVADA UNIFIED COMMAND INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM.

Mr. Chris Sproule gave a description of the functions of this team and mentioned it is the only one of its kind in the state. Mr. Bohl pointed out the Tribes work closely with this team and they are one of the most valuable resources they use.

#### 700 MHz BROADBAND NETWORK

Mr. Wideman gave a briefing on this project. He stated that Nevada Division of Transportation (NDOT) has already asked him to reduce the request by \$40,000 (\$32,000 in SHSP and \$8,000 in UASI funds).

#### STATEWIDE CYBER ASSESSMENT AND CONTINUOUS MONITORING

Mr. Chris Ipsen provided a description of the program and indicated it ties into current types of national cyber security initiatives.

Ms. Krutsinger asked about who were the participants who Mr. Ipsen had indicated as volunteering in this program. (Mr. Ipsen recalled a number of participants in a seminar that included Washoe and Clark counties, Las Vegas, Reno, Sparks, LVMPD, Henderson, the Clark County School district, State IT, DPS and others).

Mr. Ipsen (when asked by Ms. Krutsinger) indicated how the funding requested would be spent on software licensing and that the intent is that this program would be a one time request.

#### ACCESS CONTROL FOR CYBER INFORMATION

Mr. Ipsen continued his briefing on cyber issues by folding this program into the end of the discussions on the cyber assessment. He addressed the committee's concerns that this program sounded like the description of CREDENTIALING. He indicated that the goals are similar and both end up with a set of credentials issued to individuals. The committee asked Mr. Ipsen to coordinate with Ms. Baratti and see if there was a possibility of merging the two programs.



#### AGRO-TERRORISM – NEVADA ANIMAL DISEASE LABORATORY

Dr. Keith Forbes answered a question on the programs sustainment plan, he stated the intent is to sustain the program by charging lab fees. If those should be insufficient then other means of support will be necessary.

#### STATEWIDE EOC MANAGEMENT

Ms. Kelli Baratti stated this was identified as a new project to fill a critical need to provide common access to EOCs across the state.

NOTE: NDOT Computer aided dispatch and COOP/COG Phase 2, and Washoe County CBRNE programs were withdrawn.

#### LVMPD ADVANCED CBRNE DETECTION AND DECONTAMINATION

Mr. Kevin Bowers went over the program and answered questions on the program.

Ms. Krutsinger pointed out a number of math errors on the budget and requested they take a second look at their estimates.

NOTE: At 5:00 PM Ms. Samantha Ladich noted the meeting was scheduled to end at 5:00 PM and asked the Chairman to poll the committee and determine if there were any members who could not attend an extended meeting past the closing time.

Chairman Gillespie polled the Committee and all members stated they would stay past the posted end time for the meeting. He then noted he had been told that the committee had to vacate the room by 5:30 PM so one way or another everything had to be complete by that time.

#### EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SURVEILLANCE AND INVESTIGATION

Dr. John Middaugh provided a brief description of the status of this program. He was asked questions on this program's exercise funding. He stated that the Southern Nevada Health District does not have any capability to conduct an exercise and would need to hire external experts.

#### ADVANCED IED/WMD DEFEAT

CPT Neal Carter indicated that Washoe County has pulled the equipment part of this request leaving only a request for training funds.

#### FATALITY MANAGEMENT

Karen Browning gave a brief statement on the program. She asked DEM to remove line items 2 & 3 from the budget (\$255,000 SHSP). The program will be working on training and exercises.

Several committee members asked if state or other sources of training funds could be used for this program.

#### SOUTHERN NEVADA HAZMAT TEAM

Ms. Maureen Higgins-Teague standing in for Randy Grey – stated she has not been involved in this process before and was ready to answer questions.

Mr Staci Giomi stated that in the description that the Las Vegas Fire and Rescue has assumed the duties of the Clark County Fire Department (CCFD) HAZMAT team due to the disbandment of that team. To him it sounded like a possible supplanting issue and asked Ms. Kelli Anderson if this was a problem.

Ms. Anderson stated they had looked into the issue but without looking it up she recalled they had determined it is not a supplanting issue.

Ms. Carolyn Levering stated that the deactivation of the CCFD team is a recent issue and they are still adjusting to that. The Las Vegas Fire and Rescue teams are still in the learning phase

and what is involved in the expanded mission to an 8000 square mile area as opposed to a 100 square mile area. This has been a significant pressure point for our Fire Department. We are looking to fill the gaps in the needed equipment. There is still quite a bit of research on the existing equipment that is currently mothballed at the county. In the meantime we are looking for equipment that is necessary to maintain any relevance and credible response to a HAZMAT incident.

Chairman Gillespie asked that if the City of Las Vegas would have to do this function if the county has stepped down their team.

Ms. Levering stated this project request would not exist if the county still had their team and this is a consequence of them shutting down their team.

Mr. Giomi restated his concern on the supplanting issue and Ms. Anderson stated she would look into it and confirm if this was a problem.

Chairman Gillespie noted that in a situation like this we have to push back. With fewer DHS dollars so when you see items in here like computers and some detection equipment that once the analysis is done on what the county has mothballed that we can still use we would have a better idea as a public safety community what we need to come up with for this project. We may need to use something other than DHS dollars.

Ms. Levering stated that she understood there were issues that were being worked out at the county level and that some folks might not be prepared to let go of the HAZMAT team. In the meantime Las Vegas Fire and Rescue has to respond to some really bad stuff.

Ms. Irene Navis one of the reasons this ranked in the Urban Area Working Group was how important it is but also to put pressure and elevate the conversation at the county level and move the conversation along. She stated she would be happy to take these concerns forward and shake loose this discussion.

Mr. Terry Bohl agreed with Mr. Giomi's concerns on supplanting and suggested we contact the AGs office for a determination.

Ms. Anderson stated there are two schools of thought on supplanting. The first is if you take funding away from a project that is normally funded by some other means like general funds or other means and then use federal funds for this project this is clearly supplanting. The other is if you shut down a program because there are no funds and then start it up elsewhere with federal funds it is not supplanting. DEM will look into the issue.

The Chairman asked Ms. Higgins-Teague to look at the proposal and determine if there are any parts that can be reduced and do not duplicate the material that the ARMOR team has on hand.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT ENHANCEMENT – HENDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
CPT Thompson – talked briefly on the Henderson PD request for a CBRNE vehicle. He indicated that he would drop the other equipment requests from the budget.

**SOUTHERN NEVADA TECHNICAL RESCUE TEAM**  
(The committee noted this item fell into the same situation as the Southern Nevada HAZMAT Team and would require input from Clark County to resolve what equipment would need to be acquired).

NOTE: Radiological detection and adjudication was pulled.

#### RAPID DOSIMETRY OF FIRST RESPONDERS

Mr. Eric Matus stated that this project was being reduced by a drop of \$103,000 (leaving the SHSP request at \$126,000 and the UASI request at \$276,000)

#### STATEWIDE DATA DISASTER RECOVERY PLANNING

Mr. Mike Smith provided a brief overview of the program and stated this has been reduced to a UASI funded program and is now only requesting \$180,000 in UASI funds.

#### NORTH LAS VEGAS POLICE DEPARTMENT ROBOT

Mr. Kurt Adair stated a brief overview of why NLV needs a robot.

NOTE: The LVMPD Tactical Robot was pulled as a requested project.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT AND ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Gillespie asked whether or not there was any public comment. Hearing no other Public Comment Chairman Gillespie entertained a motion for adjournment. Mr. Adam Sandler made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Stan Smith, the motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting notes completed by Larry Casey, for questions call (702) 486-0797 or email [LFCasey@dhs.nv.gov](mailto:LFCasey@dhs.nv.gov)