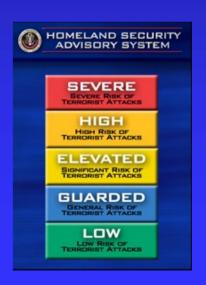
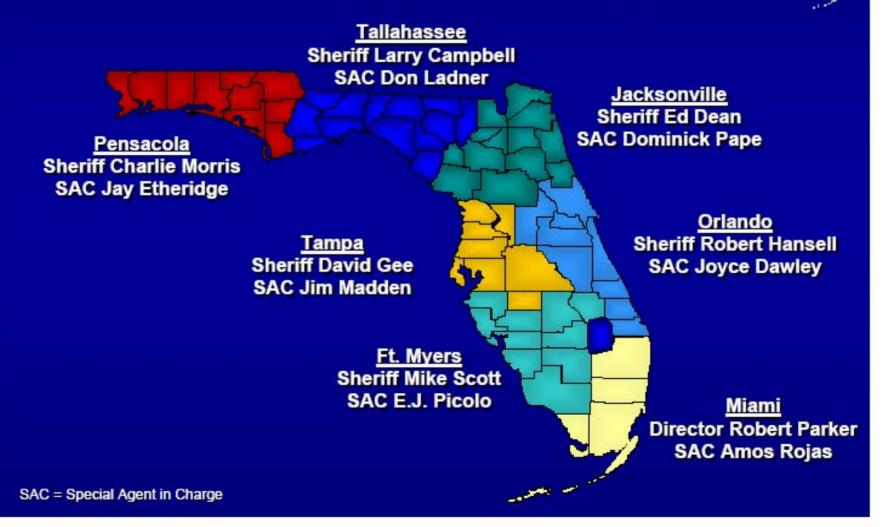
# STRENGTHENING DOMESTIC SECURITY IN FLORIDA





## Regional Domestic Security Task Forces

#### Foundation of Florida's Domestic Security Model



Florida's structure has three primary and equally vital components:

#### 1. Regional Domestic Security Task Forces (RDSTF)

- comprised of law enforcement, fire/rescue, emergency medical services, emergency management, hospitals, public health, schools and businesses
- RDSTFs work together with the Chief of Domestic Security, to prepare for, prevent and respond to terrorist events.

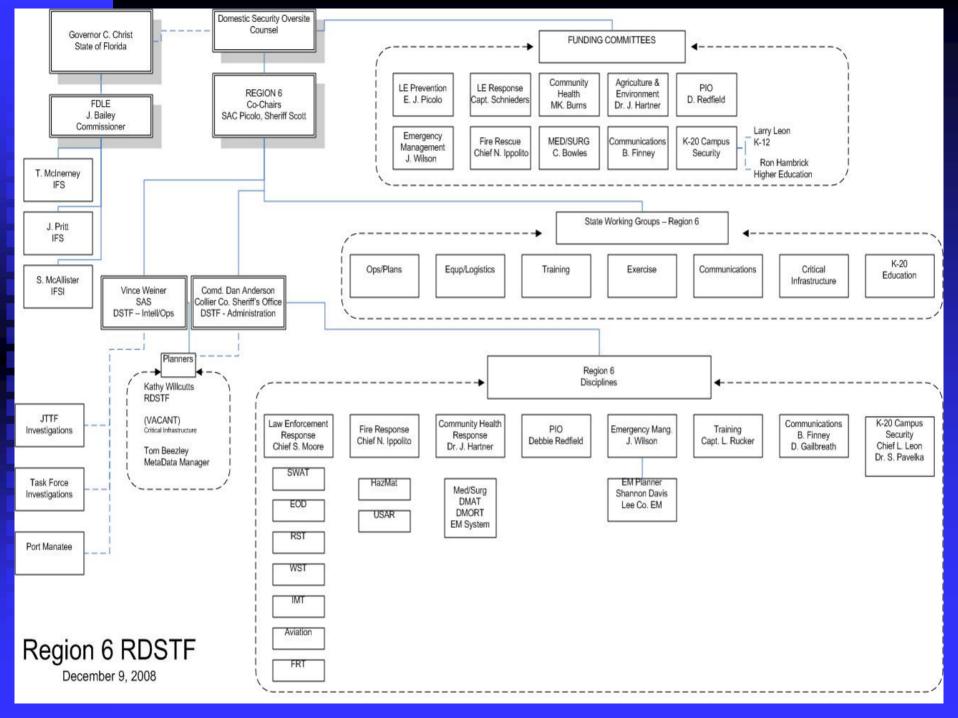
#### 2. Domestic Security Oversight Council (DSOC)

- review and provide guidance to the state's and RDSTF domestic security prevention, preparedness and response activities
- the Governor and Legislature regarding expenditure and allocation of resources related to the state's counter terrorism/domestic security efforts.
- DSOC formally approves and directs state adoption of the Homeland Security
- 3. State Working Group for Domestic Preparedness Representatives and subject matter experts from the Regional Task Forces, UASIs and other key agency liaisons come together by function to address domestic security issues surfaced by the RDSTFs, or the DSOC.

Florida's components continued...

#### 3. State Working Group for Domestic Preparedness

- -Comprised of subject matter experts from the RDSTFs, UASIs and other key agency liaisons
- -Address domestic security issues by discipline identified regionally



# Florida's Domestic Security Strategy Goals

- 1. Prepare for terrorism response missions
- 2. Prevent, preempt and deter acts of terrorism
- 3. Protect Florida's citizens, visitors, and critical infrastructure
- 4. Respond in an immediate, effective, and coordinated manner, focused on the victims of the attack.
- 5. Recover quickly and restore our way of life following a terrorist act

How is Florida doing in furtherance of these goals?

Measuring Florida against the "National Priorities"...



#### National Priority 1: Implement the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the national Response Framework (NRF)

Florida has successfully fulfilled the NIMS compliance requirements:

- Adopted NIMS
- Established a planning process to ensure the communication and implementation of NIMS requirements across the state, including Tribal entities and local governments
- Incident Command System (ICS): Managed all emergency incidents and preplanned (recurring/special) events in accordance with ICS organizational structures, doctrine and procedures, as defined in NIMS
- Incorporated NIMS into Agency and Facility Plans and Procedures
- Incorporated NIMS/ICS into all state and regional training and exercises.

# National Priority 2: Enhanced Regional Collaboration

Florida's domestic security structure and organization is based on regional collaboration.

■ This regional structure supports both interand intra- State collaboration.



# National Priority 3: Implement the NIPP

- Infrastructure Protection Committee State Working Group for Domestic Preparedness
- **■** Florida Critical Infrastructure Protection Strategy
  - identify, prioritize, and assess the vulnerabilities of thousands of critical infrastructure and key resources in this State, and develop effective strategies for strengthening their security and protection
- Critical infrastructure identified as potential targets
  - schools, hospitals, utilities, city/county government facilities, stadiums and seaports
- Target hardening efforts at critical infrastructures was a priority across all regions in 2006 and 2007
- Improvements to physical barriers ie. gates, fences, locks, intrusion detection systems, surveillance cameras and recorders, and access control systems

# National Priority 4: Strengthen Information Sharing and Collaboration

■ Florida Fusion Center (FFC)

"protect the citizens, visitors, resources and critical infrastructure of Florida by enhancing information sharing, intelligence capabilities and preparedness operations for all local, state and federal agencies in accordance with Florida's domestic security strategy"

- Regional Fusion Center
  - in support of the FFC,
  - broad all crimes/all hazards approach to information and intelligence sharing the key component
- Florida Law Enforcement eXchange system
  - expand intelligence and information sharing and dissemination

# National Priority 5: Strengthen Interoperable Communications Capabilities:



- Statewide Interoperability
  - Florida Interoperability Network (FIN)
  - Emergency Deployable, Interoperable Communications System (EDICS)
  - Emergency Deployable, Wide Area Remote Data System (EDWARDS)
  - Mutual Aid Radio Caches (MARC) VHF, UHF and 800MHz

## National Priority 6: Strengthen CBRNE Detection, Response, and Decontamination capabilities

Florida's cadre of regional special operations teams and other assets that can be utilized during response operations include

the following:





- •Hazardous materials teams
- •Urban area search and rescue teams
- •Technical rescue teams
- •Mass-casualty teams
- •Decontamination teams
- •Law enforcement perimeter teams
- •SWAT teams
- •EOD teams
- •Forensics teams
- •Waterborne response teams
- •Border protection teams
- •Florida Department of Environmental

#### Protection

- •Emergency Response Team
- •Florida National Guard 44th Civil Support Team
- •Strategically positioned enhanced CBRNE detection equipment caches
- •Mutual Aid Radio Caches (MARC).



# National Priority 7: Strengthen Medical Surge and Mass Prophylaxis Capabilities:



- Catastrophic Health Incident Response Plan (CHIRP)
  - integrates all components of the healthcare system and their strategies for establishing surge capacity
  - surge for pre-hospital, hospital, healthcare workforce, laboratory capacities and disaster behavioral health
  - working groups established



# National Priority 8: Strengthen Planning and Citizen Preparedness Capabilities

- FEMA driven 1980's
- Part of the NRP 2001
- Integration of affiliated and unaffiliated trained, emergency volunteers
- A specific focus of the State's Catastrophic Planning as well as revisions to existing plans, procedures or protocols.



## Where are we headed?

Since 2001, Florida has coordinated the distribution of more than \$1.69 billion to state and local agencies to build an all hazards, scalable system of readiness that, through regional collaboration and mutual aid, ensures all local governments have the resources they need to protect our citizens and visitors regardless of the type or magnitude of disaster.



The future depends on you. Those of us in this room ARE the RDSTF. Our collective commitments to the safety of the citizens of all of Florida is as important today, and in the future, as it has been in the past!



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