

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, MILITARY AND HOMELAND
SECURITY

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Myers at 1:30 P.M. on January 11, 2007 in Room 241-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Bob Bethell- excused
Representative Dan Johnson- excused
Representative Kenny Wilk- excused

Committee staff present:

Art Griggs, Revisor of Statutes Office
Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research
Heather O'Hara, Kansas Legislative Research
Betty Caruthers, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Colonel Eric Peck, Chief of Joint Staff of the Kansas National Guard
Captain Mark Bruce, Kansas Highway Patrol

Others attending:

See attached list.

Moved by Representative Ruff, seconded by Representative Colloton for approval of Minutes of the House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security held on January 10, 2007 be approved.

Motion carried.

Chairman Myers asked for any bill introductions by Committee members. There were none at this time. Chairman Myers mentioned **HB 2050** as well as a bill he was getting signatures on regarding English as the official language for the State. It is uncertain at this time whether these bills will be assigned to this Committee.

Chairman Myers recognized Colonel Eric Peck who presented an overview of Homeland Security. (Attachment 1) This included such information as: Phases of homeland security, strategy, regions, authority during disasters, day to day operations, the Kansas threat integration center, various Kansas hazards, homeland security exercises, events, response, State and National priorities, vulnerability assessment team, communications assessment team, and the emergency communication van.

Chairman Myers recognized Captain Mark Bruce with the Highway Patrol who presented an overview of the Homeland Security Grant program. (Attachment 2) This included what funds are utilized for, National and Kansas funding received each year, the funding allocation process, the distribution of funds, and regional projects.

Chairman Myers recognized Representative Goico who had two bill introductions for the Committee. The first is regarding emergency planning and communities right to know.

Moved by Representative Goico, seconded by Representative Ruff that this bill be introduced as a Committee bill.

Motion carried.

Representative Goico presented the next bill which is a reintroduction of **HB 2961** which would grant guard and security officers law enforcement authority.

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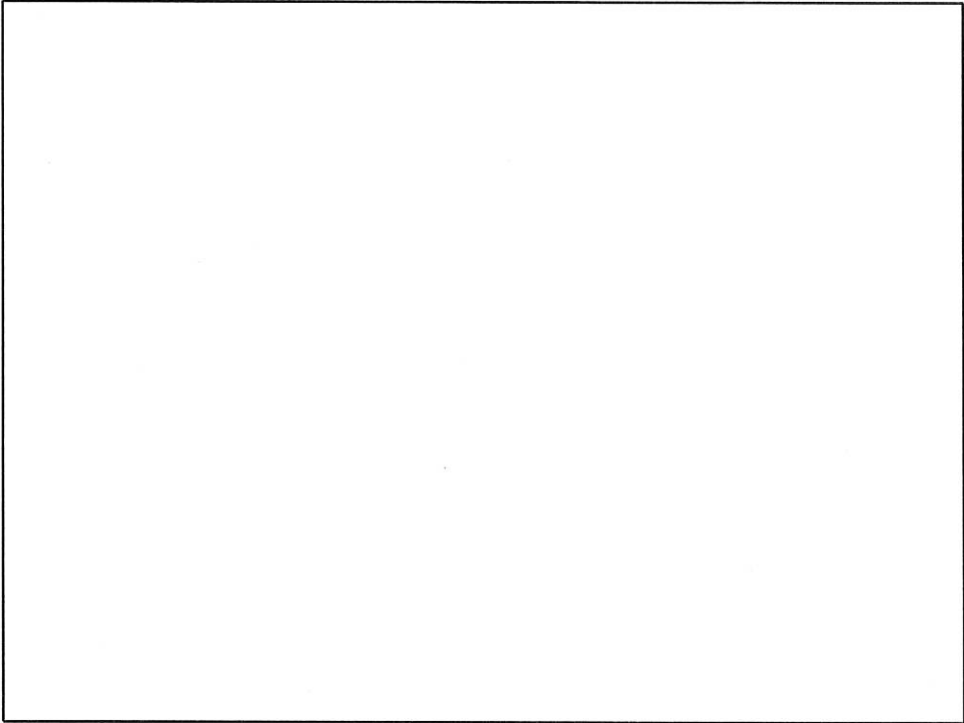
CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security at 1:30 P.M. on January 11, 2007 in Room 241-N of the Capitol.

Motion carried.

Chairman Myers adjourned the meeting at 3:00.

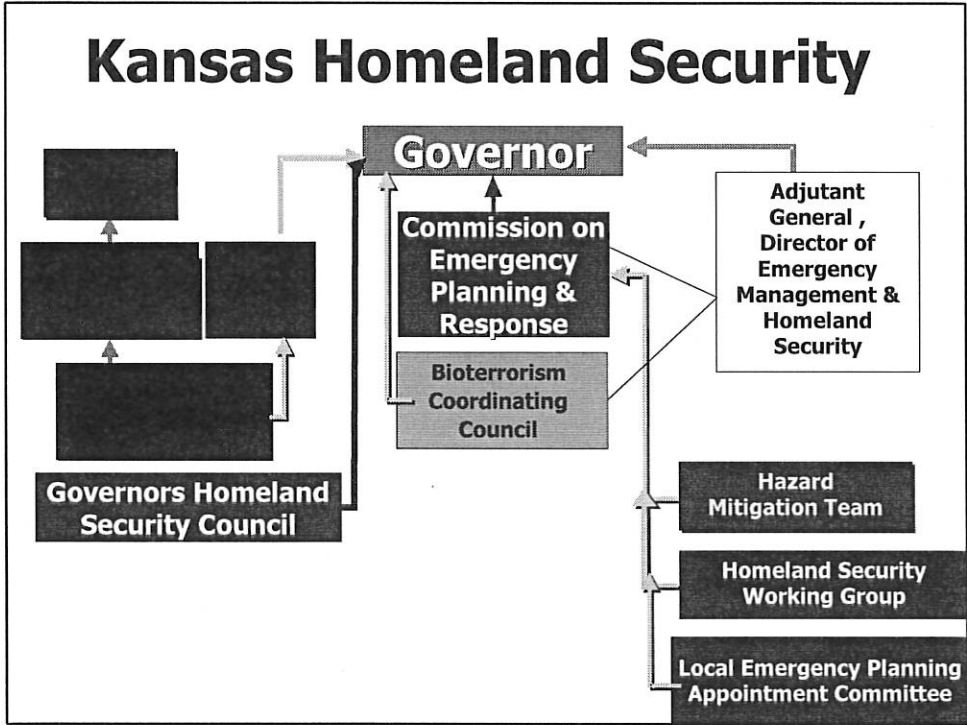
Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 16, 2007.



Veteran's Affairs and
Homeland Security Committee

Homeland Security Overview
11 January 2006

Colonel Eric Peck



- ## Phases of Homeland Security
- **Prevention** – Gathering and analyzing information
 - Identifying critical assets
 - Finding potential hazards & vulnerabilities
 - Maintain awareness of potential or evolving threats
 - Integration and interdiction aimed to prevent or lessen the impact
 - **Preparedness** – Increasing our readiness to manage disasters that can not be prevented
 - Integrated planning efforts to respond in a swift and rapid manner
 - Training to enhance response capability beginning at the most immediate response level
 - Comprehensive exercises to test/verify plans & training efforts
 - **Response** – emergency actions to save lives and prevent property damage * Extraordinary powers only in this phase
 - **Recovery** – All efforts directed to return to normalcy
 - **Mitigation** - Preventing or lessening the effects (Contained in all 4 phases)

Strategy

- Risk based funding – state and regional
- Integrate threat information
 - Secure room
 - Joint cell (Kansas Threat Integration Center)
 - Kansas Bureau of Investigation
 - Kansas Highway Patrol
 - Adjutant General's Department
- Interoperability
 - KDOT Tower Teams
 - State tower system for local government
 - Common operating picture & event coordination
 - WebEOC
 - PHIX – KDHE Communicator – Adj Gen

Strategy #2

- Geospatial - Mapping
 - Interactive GIS linked to WebEOC
- Continuity of Government (COG)
 - Alternate EOC = Salina
 - VIGILANT GUARD Exercise in March 2006
- Continuity of Operations (COOP)
 - Bilateral goals - DISC & Adjutant General's Dept
- Critical Infrastructure
 - Identify, vet with local government, & state/federal agencies & negotiate with DHS
 - Buffer Zone Protection workshops & plans
 - Conduct detailed vulnerability assessments in priority order
 - Kansas Vulnerability Assessment Team
 - Kansas Communications Assessment Team

Strategy #3

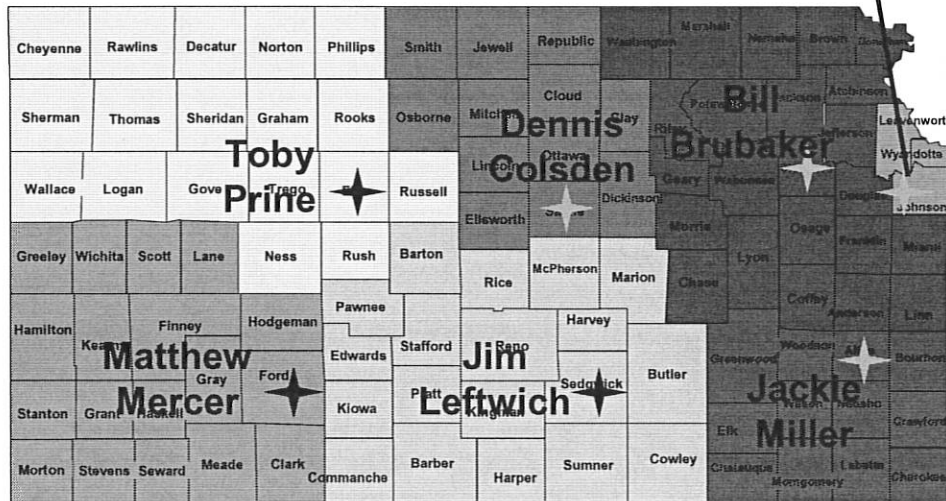
- Regional Homeland Security Coordinators
 - Interagency focused
 - Emergency Management
 - Law Enforcement
 - Fire
 - EMS
 - Public Health
 - Hospitals
 - Public Works
 - Volunteers
 - Preparedness (Exercise) focused
- Exercises/Evaluations
 - Nuclear Powerplant(s) – Graded Exercise in Nov 05 and Nov 07
 - Foreign Animal Disease (FAD) – Each year = VIGILANT GUARD
 - Bioterrorism – Seminar Oct 06
 - Medical Surge – Kansas HEAT Summer 06 AAR Oct 06

Kansas Homeland Security Regions



Regional Coordinators

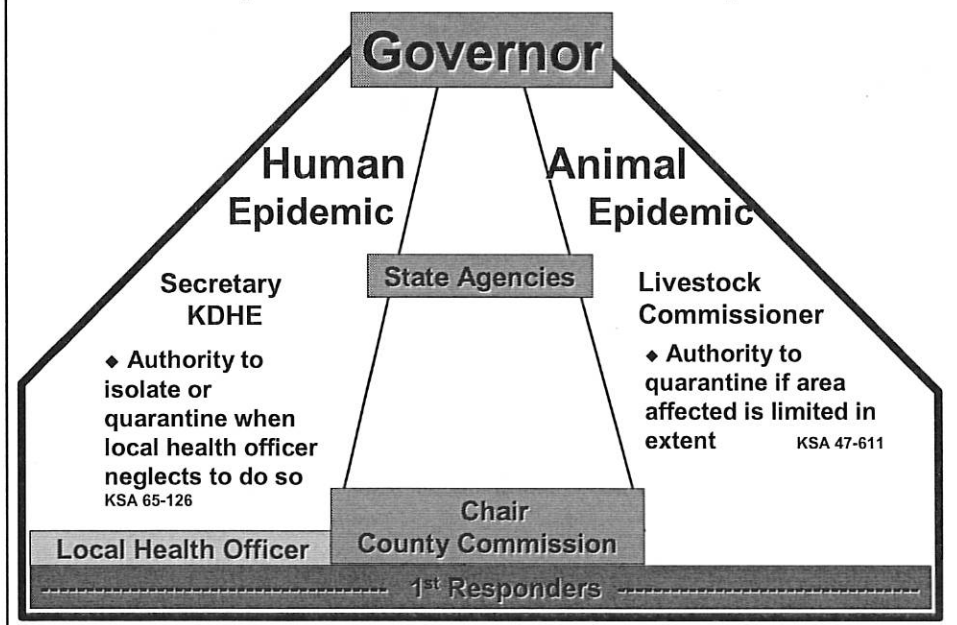
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Authority for extraordinary powers during disasters in Kansas:

- **State Declared Disasters**
 - Senior elected official at state & county level may exercise extraordinary powers granted by the electorate and codified in laws & statutes (e.g., KSA 48-924) during the emergency response phase
- **Day-to-Day Operations**
 - Decentralized government policy decisions and operations among several agencies, boards and commissions.
 - Includes programs that promote actions in the prevention/mitigation, preparedness and recovery phases

Unique Authorities in Epidemics



Day to Day Operations

- Homeland Security operations and programs are decentralized among several agencies
 - Require interagency cooperation and coordination:
 - Governor's Council on Emergency Preparedness and Response
 - Kansas Hazard Mitigation Team
 - Homeland Security Working Group
 - Communications Interoperability Team
 - Geospatial Steering Group
 - Governor's Homeland Security Council
 - Bioterrorism Council
 - **The Veteran's Affairs & Homeland Security Committee**

Kansas Critical Infrastructure Protection Team

- Coordinated by Kansas Emergency Management, in response to DHS' Critical Infrastructure Assessment Planning Program (CIAPP) initiative
 - Buffer Zone Protection Planning
- Coordinates with the DHS' Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection (IAIP)
 - Protected Critical Infrastructure Information Program
- Supports DHS' Office of Grants and Training
- Coordinates with the Kansas Vulnerability Assessment Team (KVAT) and Kansas Threat Integration Center (KSTIC)

Kansas Threat Integration Center

- Joint effort
 - Adjutant General of Kansas
 - Kansas Bureau of Investigation
 - Kansas Highway Patrol
- Mission
 - Assist Kansas Law Enforcement and related agencies in their mission to protect citizens and critical infrastructure in Kansas through enhanced collection and dissemination of criminal and terrorist intelligence information

Kansas Threat Integration Center

- Information Sharing
 - Increase threat awareness among law enforcement and other governmental agencies and private infrastructure providers in Kansas
 - KSTIC produces Law Enforcement Sensitive / For Official Use Only bulletins for distribution (One each week, well received by all users)
 - Bulletin sent via statewide Teletype, e-mail and posted on Mid State Organized Crime Information Center's electronic bulletin board (available to users nationwide)

Kansas Vulnerability Assessment Team

- Funded by DHS grant
 - Provides vulnerability analysis to selected sites, helping define critical links/processes, dependencies and needs
 - Outcome is a technical assessment based on:
 - Risk
 - Vulnerability
 - Consequences



Kansas Hazards

(listed in order of probability)

- Flood
- Wind Storm
- Tornado
- Winter Storm
- Wildfire
- Hazardous Material Spill
- Transportation Incident
- Drought
- Civil Disorder
- Terrorism



Imagine...



Homeland Security Exercises/Events

- High Plains Guardian – July 2004
 - Tabletop exercise with National Agriculture Biosecurity Center – K-State and Kansas National Guard
 - Foreign Animal Disease Scenario – Objectives developed from ‘Exercise High Stakes’ in June 2003
 - Test capacity of Kansas National Guard to respond, support other state agencies
- Foreign Animal Disease tabletop exercise Nov 06

Homeland Security Exercises/Events

- Wolf Creek Exercises
 - 1st Battalion, 127th Field Artillery - Annual Training – Security Operations June 2004
 - State level exercise August 26/27 2006
 - Next graded exercise Nov 07
- Information Security versus Freedom of Information in Agriculture
 - Symposium at American Phytopathological Society Annual Meeting in Anaheim, CA
 - Dr. Jim Stack – KSU

Homeland Security Programs/Actions taken

- Preparedness
 - 7 Regional Homeland Security Coordinators
 - Fiscal 2002 Annual Report
 - Vulnerability Assessment – Annually updated, Current assessments: Health systems, education institutions
 - Exercises – Foreign Animal Disease and Bio-terrorism
- Prevention
 - Kansas Threat Integration Center
 - Vulnerability Assessment Team

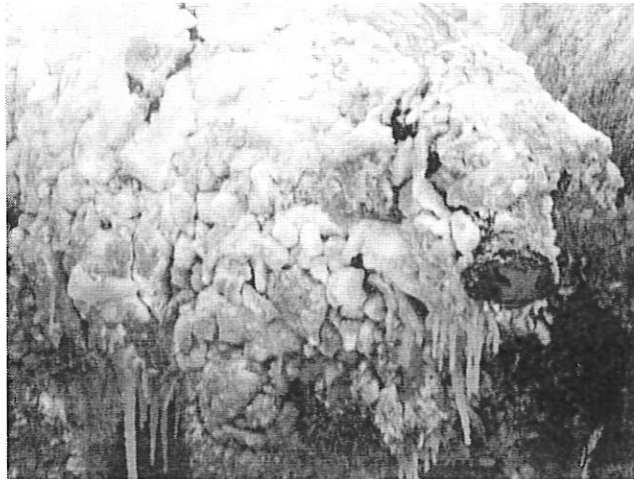
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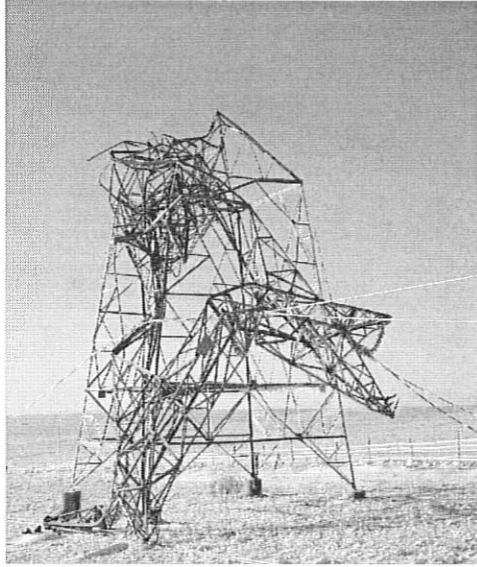
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7 State & National Priorities

3 Overarching Priorities

- Implement the NIMS & NRP
- ~~Expand Regional Collaboration (both intra & inter state)~~
- **Implement the National Infrastructure Protection Plan**

4 Capability-Specific Priorities

- Strengthen Information Sharing and Collaboration Capabilities
- Strengthen Interoperable Communications Capabilities
- Strengthen CBRNE Detection, Response, and Decontamination Capabilities
- Strengthen Medical Surge and Mass Prophylaxis Capabilities

Vulnerability Assessment Team

- **DHS Designated Critical Infrastructure Sites**
 - Completed assessments and buffer zone protection plans
 - Selected military bases by request
- **Hospital Vulnerability Assessments**
 - In support of Division of Health
 - 3 completed & validated by hospitals & KDHE
 - 30 pending
- **State Courts Vulnerability Assessments**
 - Requested to complete all courts in state 105+
 - Beta tests completed & validated
 - Remainder in progress

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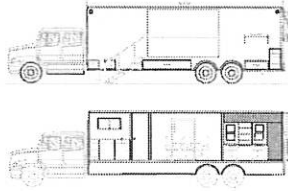
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Communications Assessment Team

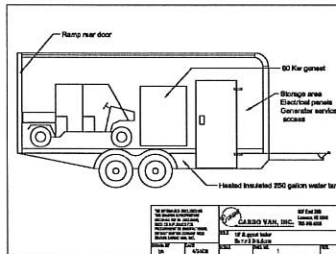
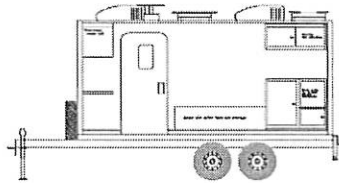
Goal: Assist in development of local government communications strategy

- **Where are we now?**
 - On site assessment of current systems
- **Where do we want go?**
 - Participate in discussions
 - How can current structure be optimized?
 - What is the available technology?
 - What is the state's (KDOT) plan?
- **How do we get there?**

Emergency Communication Van



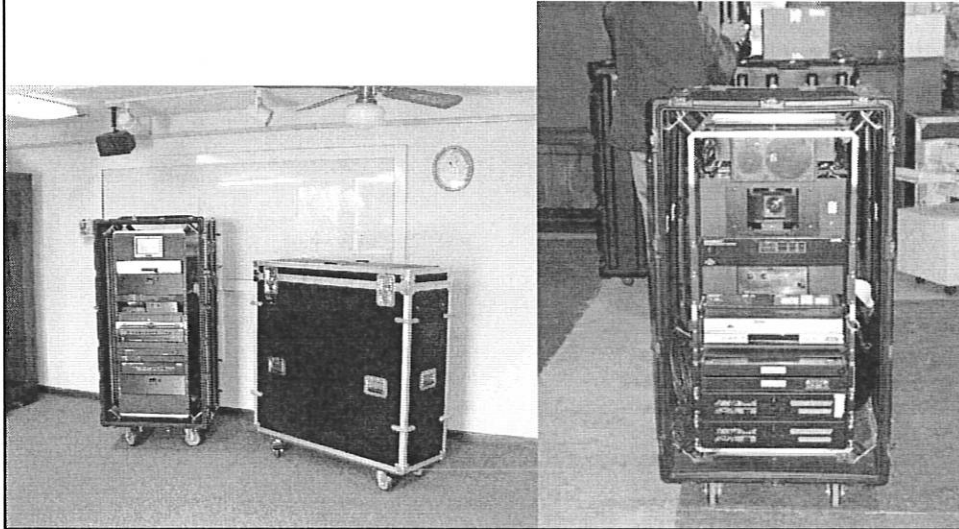
Van is purchased and delivered
 Brown Trailer is building communication box
 Commenco Communications installing electronics
 Estimated completion date is: November 2006



Emergency Communication Van



CALF = Communication Attached to Light Force



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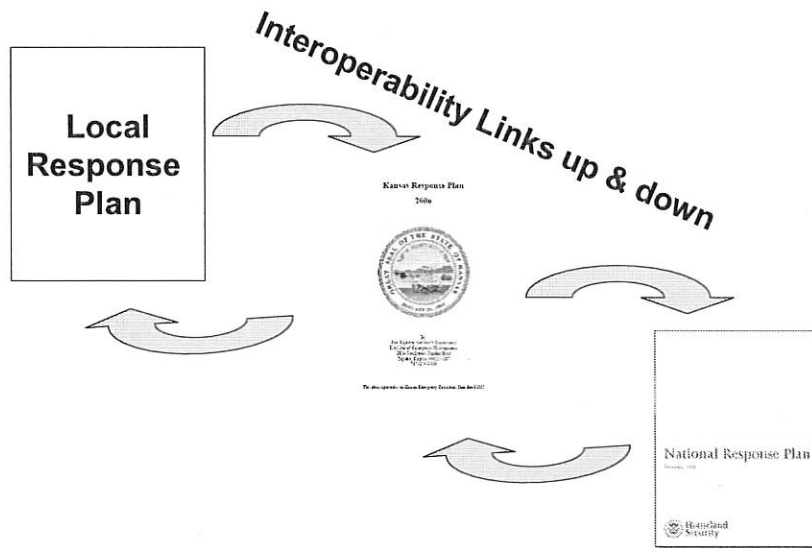
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Adopted National Response Format & Emergency Support Functions (ESF)



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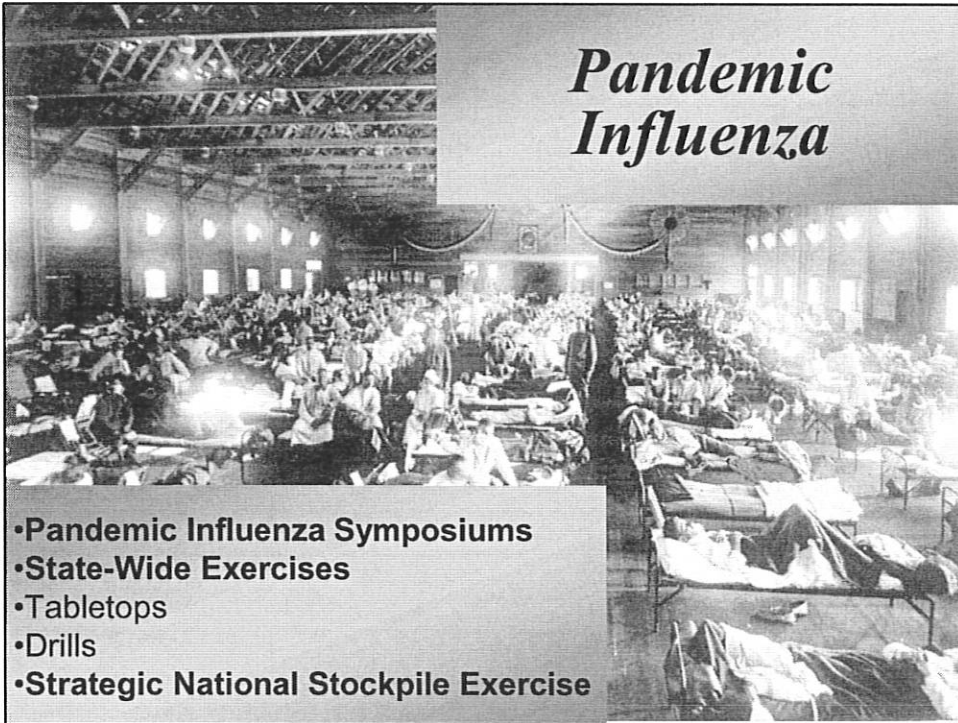
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Pandemic Influenza



- Pandemic Influenza Symposia
- State-Wide Exercises
- Tabletops
- Drills
- Strategic National Stockpile Exercise

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Securing the homeland from the ground up.

Solutions exist...it is up to visionary and courageous leaders to implement them in a collaborative setting.

The screenshot shows the KSReady.GOV website interface. At the top, the address bar displays 'http://www.ksready.gov/'. Below the address bar, the text 'AccessKansas: The Official Website for the State of Kansas' is visible. The main header features the 'KSReady.GOV' logo and the tagline 'A Service of the State of Kansas'. To the right of the logo, there is a search bar and a box for 'Kathleen Sebellus, Kansas Governor'. Further right, a 'Current Threat Level' box shows 'ELEVATED'. Below the header, a section titled 'Breaking News and Important Links' contains a list of links. The link for 'Regional Councils' is circled in black, and an arrow points to it from the left. Other links in this section include 'Governor's Press release on Homeland Security', 'Kansas Homeland Security Notification System', and several category-specific links: 'Businesses', 'Elected Officials', 'Citizens', 'Responders', 'Schools', and 'Kids'. At the bottom of the page, there are four buttons for reporting and logging on: 'Report a Chemical Spill', 'Log on to the PHIX System', 'Log on to the KCJIS System', and 'Log on to the KS Web EOC'. The footer includes an 'Internet' icon.

Regional Councils

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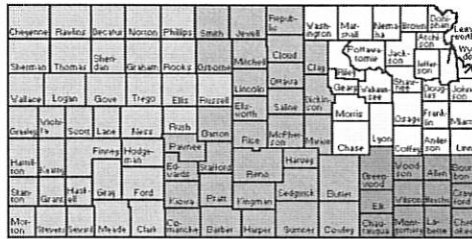
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Northwest Region

Regional Homeland Security Council Chairperson

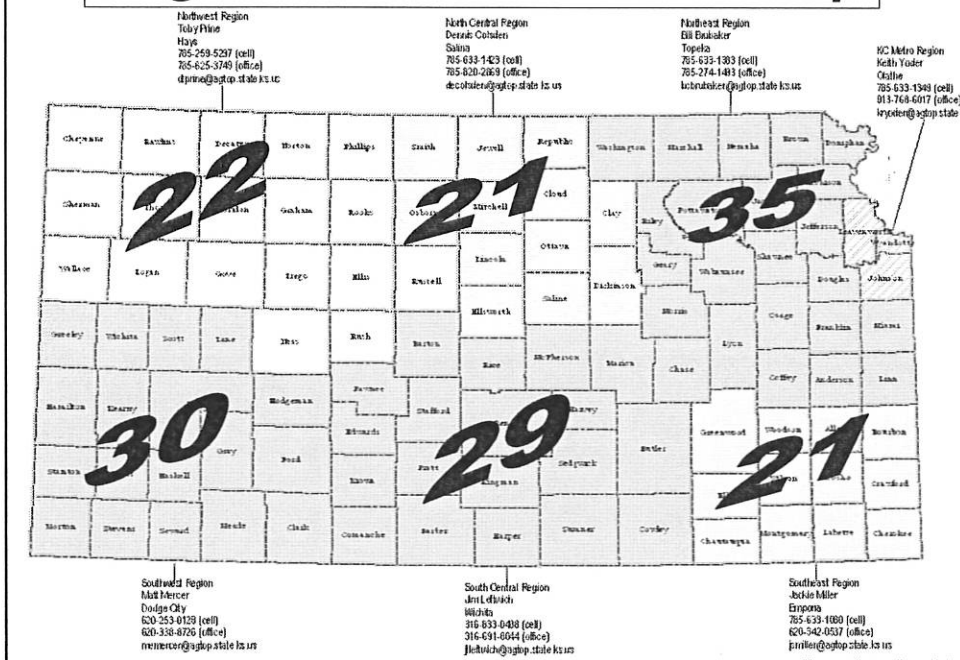
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Regional Council Membership



Regional Council Accomplishments

- Membership formed
- Leadership appointed
- Regional meetings held
- By-laws drafted / adopted
- Sub-committees formed
- Determined FY-06 G&T projects
- Working Regional Incident Management Teams (RIMTs) concept & design

8 Disasters & 1 Emergency

as of January 11 2007

- Hazard Mitigation
 - DR-1254 Flooding - Oct 98
 - DR-1258 Flooding - Oct-Nov 98
 - DR-1273 Tornadoes - May 99
 - DR-1327 Tornadoes – Apr 00
 - DR-1366 Tornadoes – Apr 01
 - DR-1402 Ice Storm – Jan 02
- DR-1462 Tornadoes – May 03
- DR-1535 Severe Storms – Jun 04
- DR-1562 Severe Storms & Flooding – Aug 04
- DR-1579 Ice Storm – Jan 05
- DR 1600 Southeast Storms – Jun 05
- EM 3262 Katrina Evacuations – Sep 05
- DR 1615 Northeast Flooding – Oct 05
- DR 1626 Northwest Winter Storm – Nov 05
- DR 1638 Northeast Wind Storm – Mar 06
- DR 1675 Western Winter Storm – Dec 06

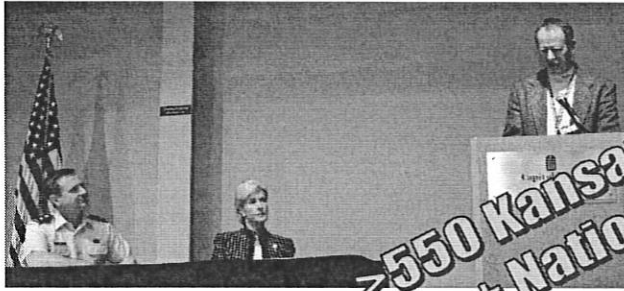
Hurricane Evacuees Sep 05

EM-3262

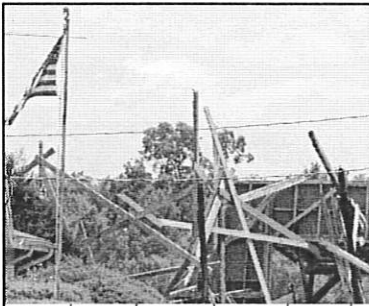
- Planned for receipt of 2,500 evacuees
 - Receiving
 - Screening for medical conditions
 - Showers, clean clothes
 - Feeding
 - Temporary shelters
 - Wichita
 - Topeka
 - Garden City
 - Salina
 - Winfield
 - Overland Park

Katrina - Rita After Action Review

3 Jan 06



**>550 Kansans Deployed
+ National Guard**

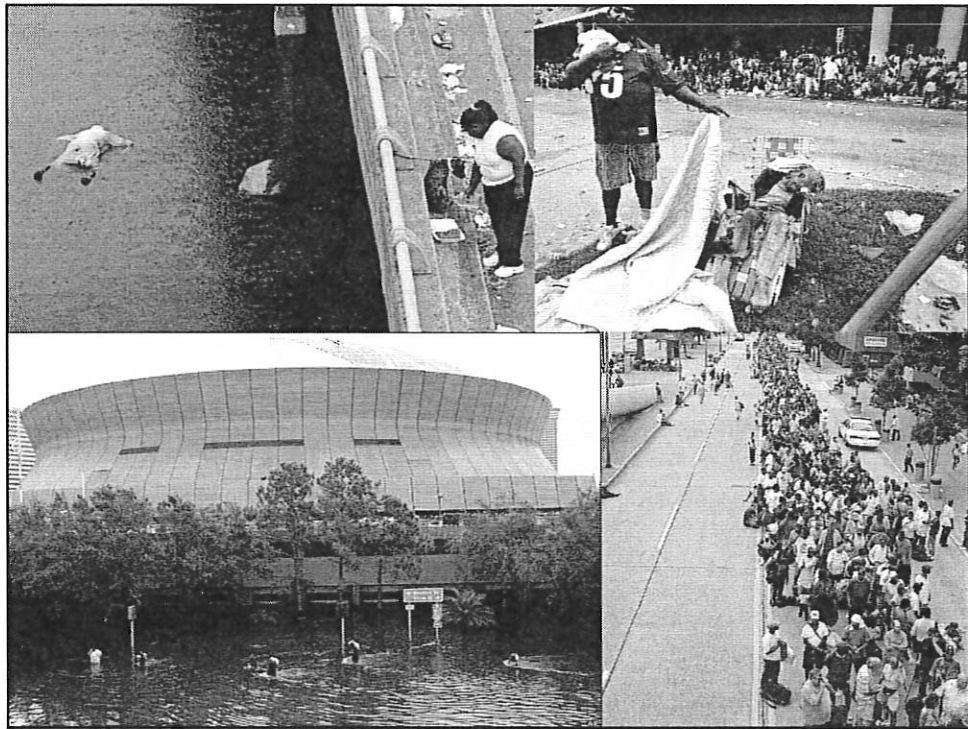


Flooding Oct 05

DR-1615

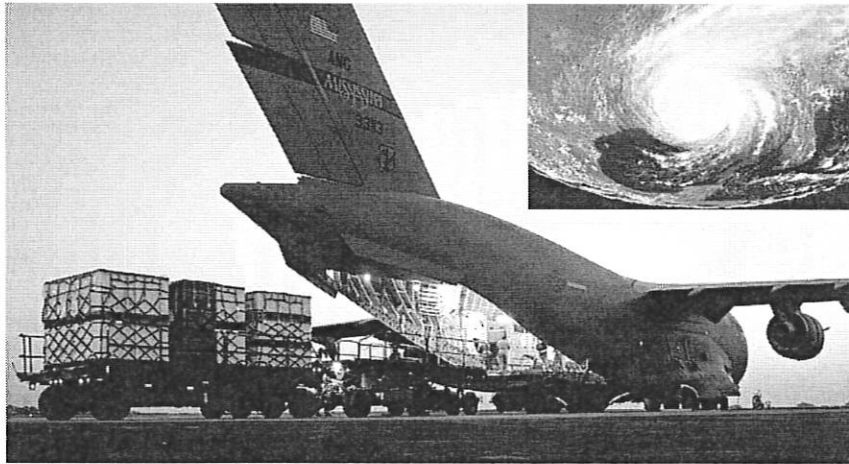


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EMEDS in Action



EMEDS loading - Forbes Field, Kansas



EMEDS in Action





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Bay St. Louis, Mississippi



EMEDS in Action



Bay St. Louis, Mississippi - MSgt Scott Mick



Katrina Lessons Learned

Driving After Action Recommendations:

- Improved Reconnaissance/Scout Teams ◆
- Statewide Database of Deployable Assets ●
- Improved Communications ◆
(Process/Coordination/Equipment)
- Deployment Training for Non-Military Personnel ●
- Improved Understanding of NIMS/ICS ■
- Need to Exercise and Constantly Improve Plans ◆

◆ = TAG Initiatives in Process ● = Needs Developed ■ = Federal Lead January 4, 2006 - Topeka



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Presentation
to
Veterans, Military and Homeland
Security Committee

by
Captain Mark Bruce
January 11, 2007



Brief Program Overview



- Funding for HSGP began in FFY 99: 8th year
- Purpose is to improve the state's ability to prevent, respond to and recover from an act of terrorism
 - Utilization of funds must have a nexus to terrorism
- Funds can generally be used in the following categories:
 1. Planning
 2. Training
 3. Exercising
 4. Equipment



Overview continued...



- Generally, 80% of funds must be allocated to local jurisdictions
- Homeland Security Grant Program Components:
 1. State Homeland Security Program
 2. Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program
 3. Citizen Corps Program
 4. Metropolitan Medical Response System

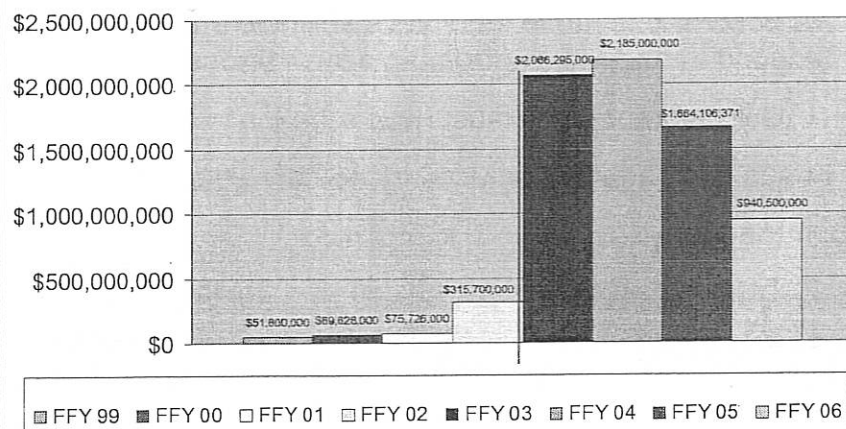


HSGP Funding

FFY 99 - 06



National Funding by Federal Fiscal Year



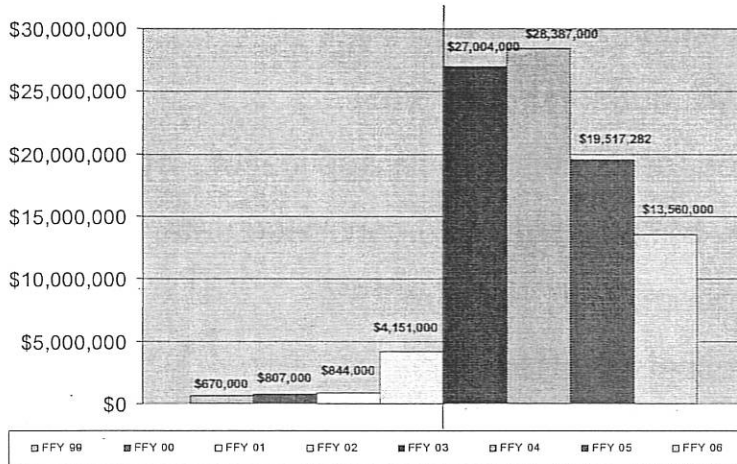


Kansas HSGP Funding

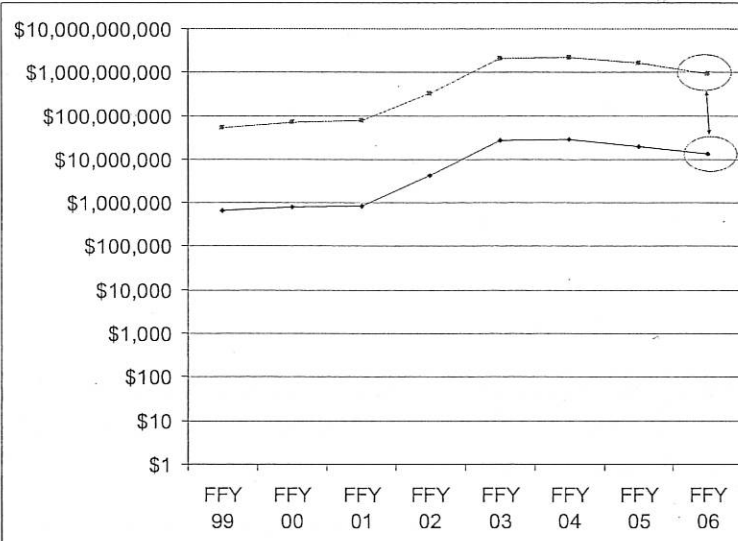
FFY 99 - 06



Kansas Funding by Federal Fiscal Year



Correlation of Kansas Funding to National Allocation





Funding Allocation Process



FFY 99 – 05: percentage share of national allocation and population

FFY 06: quasi-competitive:

1. need, demonstrated via application: **upper 25%**

2. risk, based upon DHS controlled data:

a) geographic: **bottom 25%** 2

b) assets: **bottom 50%** to
 1



FFY 06 State-level Project Synopsis



KHP: salary for admin. assistant, program manager, accountant and WMD Training Coordinator, equipment monitoring program

KDEM: salary for regional coordinators, VAT members, CAT members

KBI: information/intelligence sharing

KSFM: explosives database maintenance

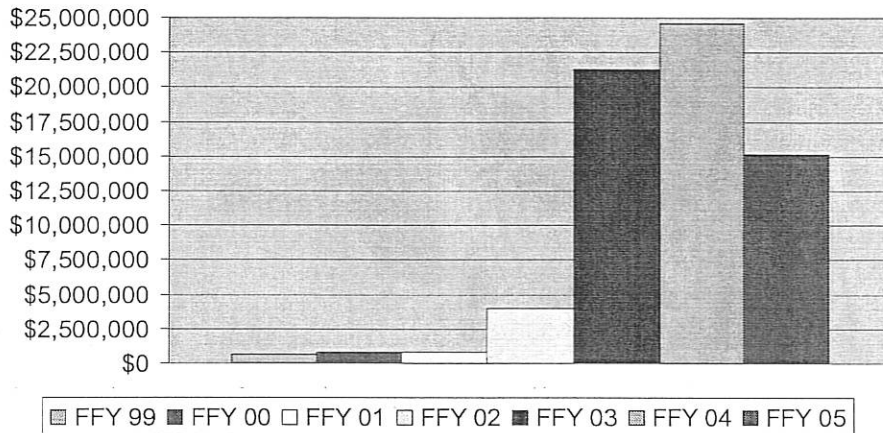
KDA: transportation security assessment



Local Distribution of Funds: FFY 99 - 05



County Pass Through by FFY



Shift in Funding Distribution



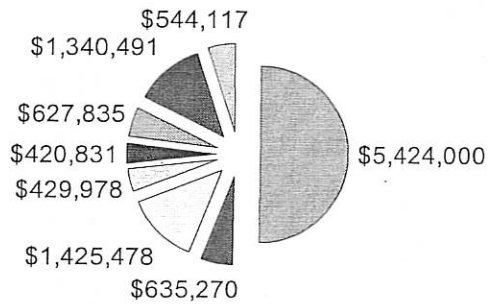
- Significant funding provided to all counties and basic capability developed statewide
- Drop in federal funding from FFY 04 to FFY 05 and larger reduction forecasted for FFY 06
- Federal government stressing the regionalization of homeland security related activities
- Kansas could not afford to develop all necessary capabilities in every county



Distribution of Local Funds for FFY 06



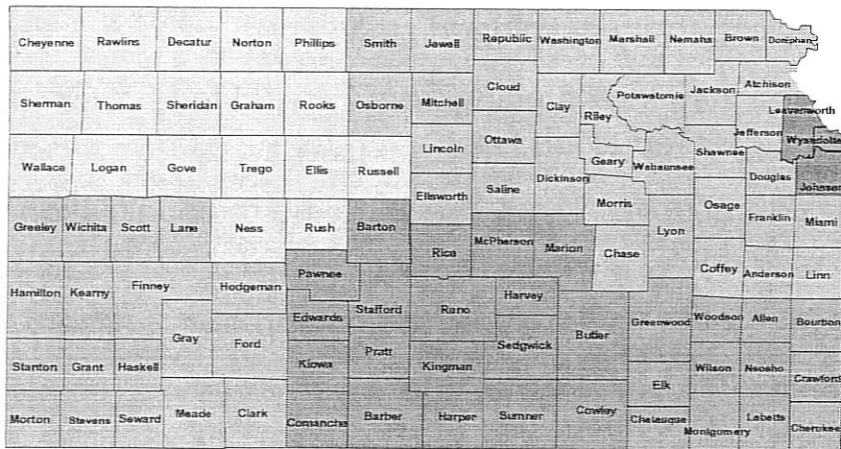
Local Distribution of Funds for FFY 06



Counties
 KC
 NE
 NC
 NW
 SW
 SC
 SE



Kansas Homeland Security Regions





Regional Projects



- CBRNE/WMD HazMat Equipment Training: NE, NC, SC, KC
- Interoperable Communications: NE, NW, NC, SW, SC, KC, SE
- Deployable Response Resources: NE, NW, NC, SE, SW, SC, KC
- Critical Infrastructure Protection: NE
- Regional Collaboration/Exercises: NE, KC, SW
- CBRNE/WMD Training: NE, SC
- All Hazards NIMS Compliant Planning: SE
- Food/Water Safety: SC



Regional Projects continued...



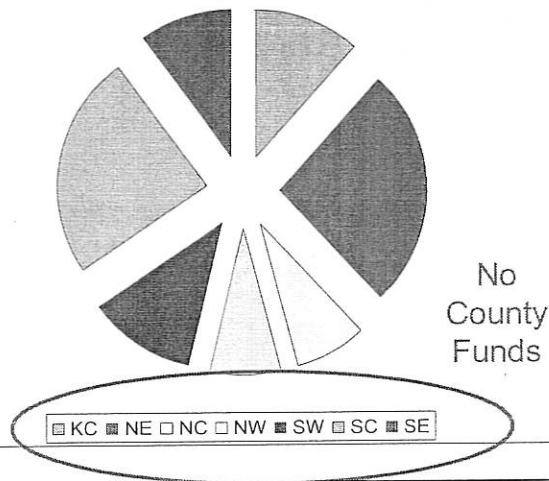
- Animal Emergencies: SE, SW
- Citizen Preparedness and Participation: SW, KC



Distribution of Local Funds for FFY 07



Local Distribution of Funds for FFY 07



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