

SLTTGCC FACTSHEET

OVERVIEW

State, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) governments are vital to protecting critical infrastructure and ensuring the resilience of the communities they serve. Formed in April 2007, the State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Government Coordinating Council (SLTTGCC) is a flagship council leveraging the expertise of these officials to bring the SLTT governments' perspective into the national critical infrastructure planning process through the Council's reaffirmation of the National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP) 2013: Partnering for Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience. Its members represent 25 jurisdictions across all 10 Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security (CISA) regions. Full Council members include representatives of 13 States, 6 counties, 9 cities, 1 tribe, and 1 territory. As a national representative of SLTT governments, the Council is a valuable forum for coordinating across geographic boundaries and all levels of government.

Primary Activities of the SLTTGCC Include:

- Advancing critical infrastructure issues, approaches, and best practices at the SLTT level
- Sharing information on critical infrastructure issues among and between SLTT colleagues
- Submitting policy recommendations to the Federal Government on national plans, policies, and programs
- Collaborating with other members of the NIPP Sector Partnerships to share common ideas and concerns and work together on solutions

COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS

The SLTTGCC establishes working groups organized by topic or issue area that focus on critical infrastructure security and resilience issues important to SLTT governments. These working groups convene regularly during council plenary sessions to discuss and address a variety of topics, including:

- Developing consensus recommendations on new and evolving Federal policies and programs.
- Engaging subject matter experts (SMEs) and Federal representatives.
- Compiling and disseminating best practices, white papers, and studies

SLTTGCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- Mark Ray, SLTTGCC Chair, (Director of Public Works/City Engineer, City of Crystal (MN))
- Mark Dubina, SLTTGCC Vice-Chair, (Vice President, Security, Port of Tampa)
- Jim Battese, Chair, SLTTGCC Administrative Working Group, (Director of Homeland Security and Counterterrorism, Miami Nation)
- Peter Hoffman, Chair, CISA Critical Infrastructure Working Group, (Critical Infrastructure Protection Specialist, State of Michigan)
- Erik Avakian, Chair, CISA Cybersecurity Working Group, (Chief Information Security Officer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania)
- Paul Dean, Chair, DHS Internal Stakeholder Working Group, (Chief of Police; Assistant Vice President for Student and Academic Services, University of New Hampshire)
- Mike George, Chair, DHS External Stakeholder Working Group (Senior Strategic Planner, State of Texas)

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REGIONAL EFFORTS

In August 2020, the SLTTGCC kicked off a refresh of the Regional Overview of Critical Infrastructure Programs. The Regional Overview project will document the current state of critical infrastructure programs and activities and the progress of activities based on the needs identified through previous studies. It will directly engage critical infrastructure professionals from all 10 CISA regions to understand their perspectives on the critical infrastructure mission. Participant input will be captured in Regional Snapshots published after the completion of each regional engagement. Data from the snapshots will be synthesized into a final summary report that highlights the project's metrics, successes, and findings on the implementation of the critical infrastructure mission by SLTT programs

COLLABORATING WITH THE CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE SECTORS

The SLTTGCC collaborates with other critical infrastructure councils to ensure mutual understanding of each other's roles and responsibilities within the national critical infrastructure security and resilience mission. The Council's Sector Liaison program promotes collaboration with Government Coordinating Councils (GCCs) and joint sector activities with industry members of Sector Coordinating Councils (SCCs) to help identify and address cross-sector issues and interdependencies.

SHARING BEST PRACTICES

To foster information sharing best practices, the SLTTGCC connects with peers in SLTT governments by linking SLTTGCC's efforts with mission-area public sector officials nationwide, such as those working with Protective Security Advisors, SMEs, urban-area security directors, and emergency management personnel.

For more information or to seek additional help, contact us at <u>SLTTGCC@hq.dhs.gov</u> or cisa.gov/sltt-gcc.

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