National Infrastructure Protection Plan

NIPP 2013: Partnering for Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience

Our Nation’s well-being relies upon secure and resilient critical infrastructure—the assets, systems, and networks that underpin American society. The National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP) – NIPP 2013: Partnering for Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience – outlines how government and private sector participants in the critical infrastructure community work together to manage risks and achieve security and resilience outcomes.

NIPP 2013 represents an evolution from concepts introduced in the initial version of the NIPP released in 2006. The updated National Plan is streamlined and adaptable to the current risk, policy, and strategic environments. It provides the foundation for an integrated and collaborative approach to achieve a vision of: A Nation in which physical and cyber critical infrastructure remain secure and resilient, with vulnerabilities reduced, consequences minimized, threats identified and disrupted, and response and recovery hastened.

NIPP 2013 is being issued in response to Presidential Policy Directive-21 on Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience and was developed through a collaborative process involving stakeholders from all 16 critical infrastructure sectors, all 50 states, and from all levels of government and industry. It provides a clear call to action to leverage partnerships, innovate for risk management, and focus on outcomes.

NIPP 2013 Key Concepts

- Provides an updated approach to critical infrastructure security and resilience
- Greater focus on integration of cyber and physical security efforts
- Closer alignment to national preparedness efforts
- Increased focus on cross sector and cross jurisdictional coordination to achieve results
- Integration of information-sharing as an essential component of the risk management framework
- Recognizes the key role and knowledge of critical infrastructure owners and operators
- Integrates efforts by all levels of government, private, and nonprofit sectors by providing an inclusive partnership framework and recognizing unique expertise and capabilities each participant brings to the national effort
- Reflects today’s integrated all-hazards environment
- Grounded in business principles and existing policy
- Drives action toward long-term improvement

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