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POTENTIALLY-IMPACTED AREAS & SECTORS

Area
Bethel Park (Allegheny County)
Conshohocken Borough (Montgomery County)
Cranberry Township (Butler County)
Dallas Borough (Luzerne County)
Erie (Erie County)
Lake Lehman (Luzerne County)
McCandless Township (Allegheny County)
Mechanicsburg Borough (Cumberland County)
Mogul Minds Studios (Pittsburgh)
Newtown Borough (Bucks County)
Philadelphia
Pittsburgh (Allegheny County)
Plains Township (Luzerne County)
Sun Center Studios (Delaware County)
Susquehanna County
Upper St. Clair Township (Allegheny County)

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Sector
Agriculture and Food Commercial Facilities Emergency Services Energy Government Facilities[1] Transportation Systems

CONTINUING RESEARCH

1. ***Residential Opponents of Drilling Discuss 'Direct Action'***

A communication list dedicated to sharing information among opponents of natural gas drilling in Susquehanna County recently included discussion of the advisability of "civil disobedience" actions to stop the drilling companies. Currently there are no indications that local residents faced with natural gas drilling activities are prepared to take the next step towards direct action attacks; however, there has been a steady increase in the heated rhetoric on both sides of the natural gas drilling issue. Specifically, activists have cited the Bud George Picnic on 19 August 2010 as a "good opportunity" to target public officials with a vocal protest of some nature. (PIB No. 125 and herein)

2. ***New RAN Call for Targeting Banks***

The **RAINFOREST ACTION NETWORK** (**RAN**) is promoting a new campaign to target the Swiss banking corporation UBS for what RAN claims is its part in financing mountaintop coal removal mining methods (MTR). Facilities targeted by RAN in previous campaigns have been the scene of illegal actions including trespassing, lock-downs and vandalism. Protests or other actions may target the following UBS offices: [2]

- Philadelphia
- Pittsburgh
- Bethel Park (Allegheny County)
- Conshohocken (Montgomery County)
- Erie (Erie County)
- Newtown (Bucks County)
- Plains (Luzerne County)

[1] Educational Facilities Sub-Sector: Security directors, students and faculty of all Pennsylvania-based colleges and universities participating in educational exchange programs abroad need to remain cognizant of emerging, country-specific threats, indicators and warnings.

[2] http://ran.org/

3. ***'Jihad' and 'Direct Action' Against Movie Industry***

There is currently increased potential for street activism, including anarchist-style direct action targeting the movie industry and DHS/US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) facilities, as well as cyber-attacks targeting computer systems, websites and databases belonging to ICE or movie industry corporations. Potential targets of opportunity in Pennsylvania include:

- Sun Center Studios (Delaware County)
- Mogul Minds Studios (the Strip District, Pittsburgh)

Note: Pittsburgh typically hosts at least one significant movie production per quarter. (PIB No. 124)

4. ***Update: Would-Be Protesters to Become 'Citizen Journalists'***

Several anti-natural gas drilling groups in the New York and Pennsylvania regions are promoting free "citizen journalism classes" in Binghamton, New York, for people planning to attend an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hearing in September on hydraulic fracturing.[3] Considering the projected limited space of the EPA meeting site, anti-natural gas drilling activists may well intend to use "citizen journalism" press passes to obtain access to the hall for purposes of disruptive protest actions.

The EPA hearing is expected to draw an unusually large turnout - possibly more than 5,000 people. The event has been singled out by anti-natural gas drilling and pro-natural gas drilling activists as a key hearing in determining the fate of natural gas drilling; therefore, activists on both sides are expected to redouble efforts to recruit supporters to attend the hearing.

Targeting guidance focusing on the EPA - by both environmentalists and landowners' advocacy groups - may lead to local activist actions at the offices of the EPA in Philadelphia. In addition, the agency "has field operations and laboratories" in Pittsburgh, according to EPA publications. (PIB Nos. 118, 121 & 125)

5. ***CrimethInc. Targeting Law Enforcement***

CRIMETHINC., a supposedly "leaderless" anarchist movement, is holding what it is calling a "decentralized convergence" throughout August.[4] The group is encouraging anarchists in North America to take any action they feel will be effective in order to make the anarchist presence felt in their respective local areas. Activists have provided supporters with theoretical analysis and practical guidance to, as they put it, "fuck the police."

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[3] http://www.hydraulicfracturing.com/Pages/information.aspx?utm_source=OPM&utm_medium=CPC&utm_campaign=Paid_Search&gclid=CPTw0P6Gw6MCFYp_5QodTFNtZg

[4] http://www.crimethinc.com/

CrimethInc. activists and the **NORTH EAST ANARCHIST NETWORK** (**NEAN**) will likely be stepping up activities (legal and illegal) in the northeastern US throughout August 2010.[5] Analysts urge heightened situational awareness throughout the next two months at those sites that have previously been targeted by anarchist activity (e.g., such as governmental facilities, national/state monuments and icons, law enforcement personnel, banks, energy, and corporate facilities). Researchers are currently monitoring the anarchist networks for additional targeting indicators in Pennsylvania. (PIB Nos. 103 and 121)

6. ***Targeting Notes: Camp for Climate Action***

From 18-25 August 2010, a Climate Action Camp is planned for Glasgow, Scotland.[6] Organizers cited tar sands oil extraction and other mining operations in North America as motivational events, as well as singling out the Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS) and Barclays Bank as key targets. The posted Agenda confirms and reinforces the globalization of "green activism." Potentially vulnerable assets of RBS include:

- the subsidiary Citizens Bank of Pennsylvania branches
- Barclays Bank subsidiary Barclays Wealth (part of Barclays Capital Inc.) at the Mellon Bank Building in Philadelphia

7. ***Update: Anti-Arizona Protests Take a Dangerous Turn***

Protests against Arizona continue by those opposed to the new Arizona immigration law (SB 1070), even after a federal court issued an injunction against implementation of the most controversial clauses of the law.[7] Events have included highway blockades, vigorous protests that led to many arrests and disruption of an Arizona Diamondbacks' baseball game. Anarchists have called for "direct actions in our local communities" in response to the new law.

Opponents of the law in Pennsylvania may target visiting Arizona VIP, delegations or Arizona-related events with protests or "direct action" in the coming weeks and months, including Diamondbacks' baseball games in Pittsburgh in September 2010. Counter-protests by supporters of the Arizona legislation may precipitate violent confrontations between opposing protesters requiring law enforcement intervention. (PIB Nos. 98, 102, 106 & 119)

[5] http://www.neanarchist.net/
[6] http://climatecamp.org.uk/
[7] http://www.azleg.gov/legtext/49leg/2r/bills/sb1070s.pdf

8. ***Germany: 'Chaos Days' in 2010?***
Recent communications among German anarchists and anti-authoritarians would seem to indicate a growing desire and planning urgency for a new set of *Chaostage* ("Chaos Days") over the next three years. Analysts will continue to monitor anarchist communications for indications of Chaos Days and "warm-up" Chaos Days in Europe that pose a potential risk to Pennsylvania-affiliated students and faculty studying abroad, as well as for any planning related to possible American affinity-group Chaos Days. (PIB No. 114)

9. ***Anarchy Summer Camp in August***
The Anarchy Summer Camp, called in order to "prepare for the upcoming International Monetary Fund demonstrations this fall," is currently scheduled for 6-9 August 2010 in Virginia; exact location provided upon receipt/approval of application. Analysts reiterate that there has been an escalation in rhetoric and tactics among anarchist and far-left groups for more than a year, including arson, bombings, vandalism and "direct action."[8]

Further acts of anarchist terrorism and vandalism - inspired by the Toronto G20 "actions," the Trois-Rivières, Quebec, bombing and the previously-mentioned camp - can be expected throughout North America in the near term. Analysts urge increased situational awareness and vigilance at military recruitment centers, police facilities, banks and multi-national companies in Pennsylvania - specifically in areas of significant anarchist activity. (PIB Nos. 94, 107 & 108)

SECTOR-SPECIFIC THREATS, INDICATORS AND/OR WARNINGS

Energy
Government Facilities

10. ***Anti-Drilling Activists Take Note of Additional PA Meetings***
New communications among anti-natural gas drilling activists have included notification of several, additional public meetings to discuss energy projects in Pennsylvania. These include:

- 23 August 2010: a public hearing at the Town Hall of McCandless (Allegheny County) to discuss a local ordinance providing for oil and natural gas drilling operations. A final vote on the legislation is to be held on 27 September 2010.

[8] http://anarchistnews.org/?q=node/11457

- 27 August 2010: a Marcellus Shale Formation Panel Discussion in the Oakland section of Pittsburgh (G23 Parran Hall, 130 DeSoto St.)
- 2 September 2010: a hearing on a proposed Marcellus Shale Formation natural gas drilling ordinance in Cranberry Township (Butler County)

- 13 September 2010: a hearing on Marcellus Shale Formation natural gas drilling in the Pittsburgh City Council chambers (414 Grant St.)

- 4 October 2010: a hearing on a proposed amendment to the township zoning ordinance to regulate oil and natural gas drilling operations in Upper St. Clair Township (Allegheny County)

******** ANALYSIS ****** T/I/W Rating: LOW-to-MODERATE**

Regarding the potential for confrontation between anti- and pro-natural gas drilling activists, landowners and anti-natural gas drilling protesters have already confronted each other in heated arguments outside a hearing of the Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) in Trenton, New Jersey (PIB No. 113). Confrontations between the two groups, such as the one in Trenton, may be triggered at any of the Pennsylvania local government meetings as well, depending on intervening events and activist publicity.

As previously noted in PIB No. 118, other upcoming events or meetings cited by anti-drilling activists include:

- 21 August 2010: Gas Stock 2010, an environmentalist rally focused on drilling in the Marcellus Shale Formation, at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds in Dallas; scheduled from 11:00-19:00. (Luzerne County)

- 28 August 2010: An environmentalist rally in Chenango Valley State Park, near Binghamton in New York

- 11 September 2010: Pennsylvania Forestry Association meeting to discuss drilling in the Marcellus Shale Formation; location is not known but research indicates Mechanicsburg. (Cumberland County)

Communities with small police departments are advised to review contingency plans in the event that such meetings or confrontations escalate significantly. It is unknown whether the protesting groups have obtained the necessary police permits for these events.

Agriculture and Food
Commercial Real Estate

11. ***Direct Action and Civil Disobedience Training in New York***

Several anti-authoritarian, anti-globalization and environmental groups are joining together for a day of "direct action and civil disobedience training." The event is scheduled for 21 August 2010 in Brooklyn, New York.

This training appears to focus on "industrial agriculture" and "multi-national agribusiness," according to promotional material:

> "People around the world are responding to the ag. giants with direct action, and have proven it can change the political landscape for farmers, the hungry, and underserved communities. *La Via Campesina*,[9] the *Confédération Paysanne*,[10] *Movimento Sem Terra*,[11] and the *Zapatistas*[12] are all examples of groups that use direct action in the forefront or as a compliment in their strategies. And sometimes they win. We can broaden our tactics in the US movement against industrial ag tyranny and help create some space for food sovereignty, locally and globally."

Those taking part in the event include "activists from the Food Justice & Food Sovereignty movements ... community garden defenders ... people from the campaign to stop hydro-fracking in New York State ... and other people who are thinking outside the box in their efforts to change some things."

Attendees will "learn about and practice lockdowns, occupations, blockades, banner-hangs, etc.," according to communications promoting the training seminar. "We won't get too specific about all the individual tactics at this training - a little in roleplays and other exercises."

The activists running the training are identified as "Usnea Longissima and Henry Harris," who "have been organizing direct actions in the Anti-Globalization, Ecological Defense, and other movements for about twelve years." They noted that their "first co-training resulted in a temporary blockade of construction for the largest fossil-fuel burning power plant in the US."

******** ANALYSIS ****** T/I/W Rating: LOW-to-MODERATE**

Attendees at the above training session are likely to include anti-authoritarians and eco-terror supporters from outside the state of New York, with lessons learned applied throughout the East Coast (and beyond), including Pennsylvania activist groups. In addition, lessons learned at such training events are often shared

[9] http://viacampesina.org/en/
[10] http://www.confederationpaysanne.fr/
[11] http://www.mstbrazil.org/
[12] http://lanic.utexas.edu/project/Zapatistas/

electronically; activists in Pennsylvania would not necessarily have even been in Brooklyn in order to have picked up the relevant tactics and strategies.

Considering the increasing overlap between anarchists and environmental extremists - with anarchist communications often praising acts of overt eco-terrorism - and in light of the training cited above, analysts believe that protest events or direct action may soon begin to focus on factory farming. Pennsylvania is home to many "factory farms," according to the Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future organization. Counties with a high concentration of such farms include:

- Lancaster
- Chester
- Lebanon
- Blair
- Mifflin
- Juniata
- Perry
- Franklin
- Berks

A 2003 synopsis of such farms can be obtained at http://www.pennfuture.org/UserFiles/PDFs/factoryfarmreport_101003.pdf).

Commercial Facilities

12. ***Call to Protest on a Roberto Clemente Bridge, Pittsburgh***

The National Labor Committee, Pittsburgh Anti-Sweatshop Community Alliance and SweatFree Communities are calling for action to prevent Pittsburgh from trading with firms alleged to be operating sweatshops in Bangladesh. They are also calling for the release of Kalpona Akter, a citizen of Bangladesh arrested on 13 August 2010 in her home country after testifying before a Pittsburgh City Council meeting.

In addition to promoting several petitions on the issue and follow-up letters to city council members, activists are calling for a rally against trade with overseas sweatshops. The rally will be held at 5:00 pm, 21 August 2010, at the Roberto Clemente Bridge (Sixth Street Bridge) in Pittsburgh.

******** ANALYSIS ****** T/I/W Rating: LOW**

Analysts see no indications of expected unruly or illegal behavior at the above-mentioned protest. Law enforcement responsibilities at the event will likely be limited to crowd/traffic control. It is unknown whether the protesting/sponsoring groups have obtained the necessary police permits for the event.

Commercial Facilities
Transportation Systems

13. ***Debating Parent-Led Roadblocks in Luzerne County***

In recent discussions among supporters of the Gas Drilling Awareness Coalition (GDAC), an anti-natural gas drilling group, several participants cited the implicit dangers of gas tankers traveling the same roads as school buses in Lake Lehman (Luzerne County).[13]

As one comment expressed it (*spelling and grammar as in the original - ITRR*): "I have the deepest gut feeling of impending disaster for Lake Lehman children riding the school buses and at bus stops when the tankers start rolling."

Contemplating a suitable response to the perceived threat, the individual continued, "Wonder what would happen if a 100 demonstrators were across the roads on these routes at every major bus stop during the hours children were being transported to and from school when the tankers are rolling. Its a message-and it's children who are utterly defenseless and it's do-able."

When informed that the "Lake Lehman school board was already told that the natural gas trucks would run without regard to the school bus schedule," the original commenter responded, "Exactly my point-there is nothing being done .... can we demonstrte? can we stop the trucks from rolling??????"

Another individual agreed: "Now there's an idea .... a thousand people standing on the road blocking a gas truck ... not bad. Some of us will have to be arrested of course ... are the moms and dads, grandmothers and grandfathers of the children who will be riding those buses willing to put their liberty at risk that way? Personally, I am willing ... A point has to be made to this industry that we will not be pushed around."

A similar comment cited some specific dangers: "Truely this is way beyond getting pushed around … they flat out refused to stop trucking when children would be on the roads to and from school. RTe.29 and 118 in any kind of incliment weather? or just a bus and tanker going around the same curve from the opposite directions? This is so arrogant and such a complete disregard for the safety of these children. Our children."

Several of the comments encouraged informing the parents of Lake Lehman schoolchildren. One GDAC supporter mused, "Who in their right mind would put their child on a bus under these circumstances? Hmmmmmm-empty classrooms??"

[13] http://gasdrillingawarenesscoalition.wordpress.com/

******** ANALYSIS ****** T/I/W Rating: LOW**

Analysts do not see indications that parents of schoolchildren in Lake Lehman are planning protest actions over the natural gas trucks using their roads. However, that may well change if GDAC activists are successful in raising awareness of the situation, especially if the risk becomes obvious with the impending start of the 2010-2011 school year.

Government Facilities

14. ***More Al Qa'ida Threats Against France***

In a statement intercepted by researchers, Abd Al-Rahman Abu Inas Al-Shankiti, a member in the guiding council of ***AL-QA'IDA IN THE LANDS OF THE ISLAMIC MAGHREB*** (**AQIM**), makes explicit threats against France and Mauritania.[14]

In the wake of a successful joint counter-terror operation last month involving Mauritanian and French military forces, the senior AQIM leader calls for revenge for the deaths of his organization's men. Specifically, he mentions targeting "the traitors who worked together with Christian France. Go out and fight them. The Crusaders declared war on the Muslims inside your countries, so get ahead of them."

Addressing "the collaborators, the Jew-lovers and the Christians, the enemy of Mohammad, the Mauritanian army," Al-Shankiti says: "Do you know what you brought upon yourselves? You agreed to be slaves of the cross, against the religion of Allah. You are going to regret that. You will eat your fingers from regret, for your betrayal. Even if it will take some time. We have patience."

Addressing French President Nicolas Sarkozy, AQIM declares, "You missed your chance. You have brought destruction on your people. I am not telling you it is today or tomorrow or later... but it will come."

In response to the above communication, as well as previous risk indicators, French security forces have reportedly increased their protective measures and alert levels.

******** ANALYSIS ****** T/I/W Rating: MODERATE-to-SEVERE**

As previously noted in PIB No. 118, jihadist communications threatening French interests are steeply increasing in frequency and intensity. Analysts reiterate (PIB Nos. 114 & 115) that the near-term remains the most likely time to see an increase in violent agitation and attacks.

An increase in the risk of lone-wolf or self-starting cells targeting both French cities and French assets worldwide can be expected. In addition, France's majority-

[14] http://www.nctc.gov/site/groups/aqim.html

Muslim neighborhoods may see increasing unrest that draws its inspiration from the French legislation proposing a sweeping ban on the Muslim veil and from recent events in Africa.

Pennsylvania-affiliated students and researchers participating in overseas exchange programs in France (e.g., University of Pennsylvania, the University of Pittsburgh, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Clarion University of Pennsylvania, East Stroudsburg University, Mansfield University and Westminster College) should be made aware of the increased risk factors at the current time. In this regard, the French government has produced a list of 750 "no-go zones" (officially known as *Zones urbaines sensible (*Sensitive Urban Zones), considered as high-risk (http://sig.ville.gouv.fr/Atlas/ZUS).

In Pennsylvania, high-visibility French assets that may draw the attention of jihadist adversaries include:

- the offices of France's Consulate General in Center City Philadelphia
- the *Alliance Française de Philadelphie* (Philadelphia)
- the *Alliance Française de Pittsburgh* (which meets in the University of Pittsburgh's Cathedral of Learning)

Facilities in close proximity to French-identified assets should remain aware of and be prepared for incidental damage as a result of disorders, arson or other terrorist activity.

Emergency Services
Government Facilities

15. ***Militias Discuss OPSEC and Tactics: Trigger Event 'Soon'***

Recent communications among militant militia members indicate a new level of preparation for what many militia supporters seem to see as an imminent confrontation with the US government.

> "That hard to come by thing is what will push people to react and it will be soon," one militia member said (*spelling and grammar as in the original*). "I believe several cascading things are going to happen. One leading into the next. ...We have and continue to stock up including medical supplies etc. Believe me brother when the crap starts we will meet up and all militia people will pull together for the preservation of everything we hold dear."

He was joined by another individual, who commented, "I am with you on that. I am stocking up on everything I can get my hands on as fast as I can now. Guns, ammo, gear, food and water."

"We have our first plan worked out for the beginning," another communication said. "God we hope nothing will happen but if it does we are in constant ready. We will secure one county at a time starting with our own."

Other entries talked about OPSEC [operational security], defense forces structure, as well as tactics of engagement that worked for the Viet Cong during the Viet Nam War.

Regarding organizational integrity, there seems to be a debate raging regarding what extent of collaboration among the various militias is advisable. "You have to have massive strength, but it doesn't have to be all in one place," one individual explains, "Two or three guys hiding in the bushes with AK-47's will not stay off a platoon of trained soldiers. Snipers can't accomplish a great deal toward repelling an asault."

In response, another would-be tactician noted, "The Vietnamese used this tactic of hide and strike quite well, I am not saying every man for himself that is where the communications must come into play. I mean more or less smaller militias all pulling together and communicating to accomplish one goal."

******** ANALYSIS ****** T/I/W Rating: MODERATE**

As noted previously (PIB Nos. 63, 65, 68, 73, 88, 102 & 121), the latest communications from extremist militia fora indicate a growing restlessness and self-reinforcing feeling of impending confrontation with the USG. These have been increasing in frequency and severity in the past several months, with new communications opening the door for a discussion of what the actual "tipping point" might be that justifies armed Americans attacking their government.

While most such groups insist that violence is their very last option, many of them are promoting the idea that other options have nearly run their course without positive results. The USG is in the process of exercising force against the American people, many militias claim, which would in turn legitimize the use of violence by civilian-led militias.

In Pennsylvania, there are both ideologically moderate militias and virulently anti-government militias. The latter may include the **91ST WARRIOR MILITIA** and the **BROOKVILLE TIGER MILITIA**, which had members jailed in 2008 for illegal sale of explosives. Others include the **SONS OF LIBERTY MILITIA**, the broad-based **PENNSYLVANIA CITIZENS MILITIA** and the **PENNSYLVANIA CONSTITUTIONAL MILITIA**, as well as regional members of the **ROGUE NATION ETERNAL MILITIA** (**RNEM**) movement. (For more on the RNEM specifically and the trend towards apocalyptic thinking among militias generally, see PAIB Nos. 73 & 121.)

RNEM and others have been promoting armed, dispersed and "leaderless resistance" against what they define as the "New World Order." Such a "resistance" is, by its nature, prone to such independent actions based on narrowly defined

"tipping points." Indicated according to continuing rhetoric, targets for militia extremists include:

- FEMA
- the United Nations
- banks
- police
- the military
- and other federal agencies

There are no emerging Indicators, Threats and/or Warnings at this time for the following sectors:

BANKING AND FINANCE
CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES
COMMERCIAL NUCLEAR REACTORS, MATERIALS & WASTE
CRITICAL MANUFACTURING
DAMS
DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE
EMERGENCY SERVICES
GOVERNMENT FACILITIES[15]
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
NATIONAL MONUMENTS AND ICONS
POSTAL AND SHIPPING
PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTHCARE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS
WATER

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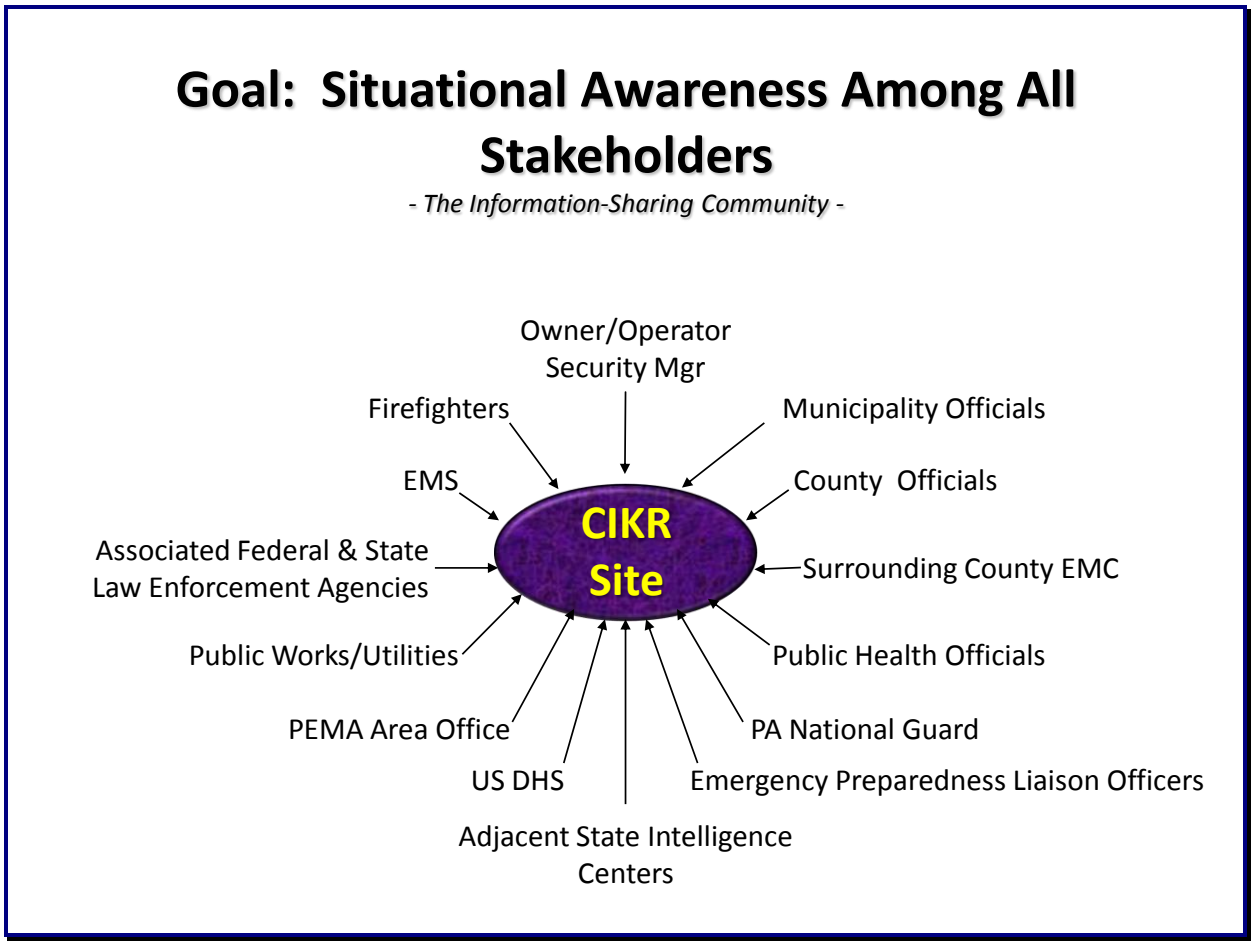
Goal: Situational Awareness Among All Stakeholders
- The Information-Sharing Community -
Owner/Operator Security Mgr
Firefighters
Municipality Officials
EMS
County Officials
CIKR Site
Associated Federal & State Law Enforcement Agencies
Surrounding County EMC
Public Works/Utilities
Public Health Officials
PEMA Area Office
PA National Guard
US DHS
Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officers
Adjacent State Intelligence Centers

THREAT / INDICATOR / WARNING RATING	*DESCRIPTION*
LOW (Level 4)	Available intelligence and recent events indicate that hostile elements currently have little intent or capability to take action against the target. Although it cannot be ruled out, an attack is unlikely based on currently available intelligence.
MODERATE (Level 3)	Available intelligence and recent events indicate that hostile elements currently have the intent and capability to take action against the target. An attack is likely to be a priority and might well be executed.
SEVERE (Level 2)	Available intelligence and recent events indicate that hostile elements currently have the intent and capability to take action against the target. Additional information is also available on the nature of the threat. An attack on the target is a priority and is likely.
CRITICAL (Level 1)	Available intelligence and recent events indicate that hostile elements not only have the intent and capability, but also are actively planning to take action against the target within a matter of days (up to two weeks). An attack or action is imminent.

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