



Public-Private Partnerships

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Presentation Overview

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SECTOR DELAWARE BAY

Area of Responsibility (AOR)





Sector Delaware Bay – *A Nationally Strategic Port*

- 2,000+ vessel arrivals annually
- 6 refineries
- 1 million bbls of crude arrive each day
- Largest perishable food port
- \$3.5B annual revenue
- \$1B in wages
- 30,000 direct jobs
- 3 major rail lines
- 4th most valuable fisheries landings port in the nation
- 5 Nuclear Power Plants





Sector Commander Authorities

Wears 6 Hats:

- Commanding Officer
- SAR Mission Coordinator
- Captain of the Port
- Federal Maritime Security Coordinator
- Federal On Scene Coordinator
- Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection





Captain of the Port Authority

- 33 CFR 6
 - Gives the COTP authority for the protection of ports, harbors, vessels, and waterfront facilities against accidents, negligence, and sabotage
 - COTP may enlist the aid of other agencies to protect the port and its resources.
- Regulatory Authority
 - Designates USCG Officers and Petty Officers as customs and law enforcement officers with full authority to enforce customs and other Federal laws in areas under Federal jurisdiction





Maritime Transportation Security Act

Some Highlights:

- Area Maritime Security Committees
- Area Maritime Security Plans
- Facility Response Plans
- 96 Hr Advance Notice of Arrivals
- TWIC
- Information Sharing – Homeport
- AMSTEP
- Grants





A Sector Has Many Partners:

- Other CG/Military Units
- Federal/State/Local Agencies
 - LE, Envir. Protection, Emergency Mgt
- Statutory Committees
 - Area Cmtee, AMSC, MTSRU
- “Homegrown” Committees
 - MAC, MOC





A Sector Has Many Partners:

- Port Community
 - Pilots, Seaman's Church Institute
- Vessel Owners/Operators
- Facility Owners/Operators
- NGOs
- Boating Community
- General Public





America's Waterway Watch (AWW) Citizen's Action Network (CAN)

- AWW is a public outreach program encouraging participants to report **suspicious activity** to the Coast Guard and/or other LE agencies.
- CAN is a program that allows civilians to help the U.S. Coast Guard save lives and property, prevent oil spills, and protect wildlife.





Why Partner?





Why Partner?

- It's good government
- It's good for business
- Consensus/cooperation improves buy-in and therefore compliance
- Engagement engenders trust
 - On both sides





Why Partner?

Bottom Line:

If we trust each other, information flows more easily, which improves our understanding of the threats that are out there—hopefully in time to **prevent** incidents.





Hurricane Irene Aug 2011





Before the Storm (24-27 Aug):

- Sent out Marine Safety Information Bulletins
- Broadcast Notice to Mariners
- Conducted facility, marina patrols
- Spoke with agents, pilots
- Changed Port Conditions as the storm approached to limit vessel movements





During the Storm 27-28 Aug:

- Monitored storm's progress
- Port was closed to vessel traffic
- Convened Maritime Transportation System Recovery Unit (MTSRU)





After the Storm (28-30 Aug):

- Conducted port damage assessments
- Convened MTSRU
 - As a result of the close cooperation of the MTSRU members, we were able to re-open the port to traffic the evening of the 28th



Questions?

