

# FTA Emergency Preparedness Resources for Transit Agencies

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# Agenda

- Recent emergency preparedness and management resources available from FTA Office of Safety and Security
- Update for 2006 protective measures resource document available soon. All-Hazards Protective Measures: Building Capability




# FTA Emergency Preparedness Resources for Transit Agencies

- Connecting Communities (2007 and ongoing)
- Emergency Preparedness Guide for Transit Employees on the Job and at Home (2007)
- Sensitive Security Information (SSI): Designation, Markings, and Control (2009)



# FTA Emergency Preparedness Resources for Transit Agencies

- An Introduction to All-Hazards Preparedness for Transit Agencies (2010)
  - Immediate Actions for Transit Employees: Protecting Against Life-Threatening Emergencies (2011)
  - Response and Recovery for Declared Emergencies and Disasters (2012)
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# Response and Recovery for Declared Emergencies and Disasters


- Update for 2006 disaster response and recovery document
- Defines “declared” emergencies and disasters under the Stafford Act
- Applies to all modes of transit
- Written for transit agencies that experience a “declared” emergency or disaster, either directly or through providing services to affected communities or regions

# Response and Recovery for Declared Emergencies and Disasters

- Explains the roles of federal, state, regional, and local authorities
- Discusses waivers of federal policy
- Addresses resources and funding, including reimbursements, for transit agency response and recovery actions, both FEMA and FTA

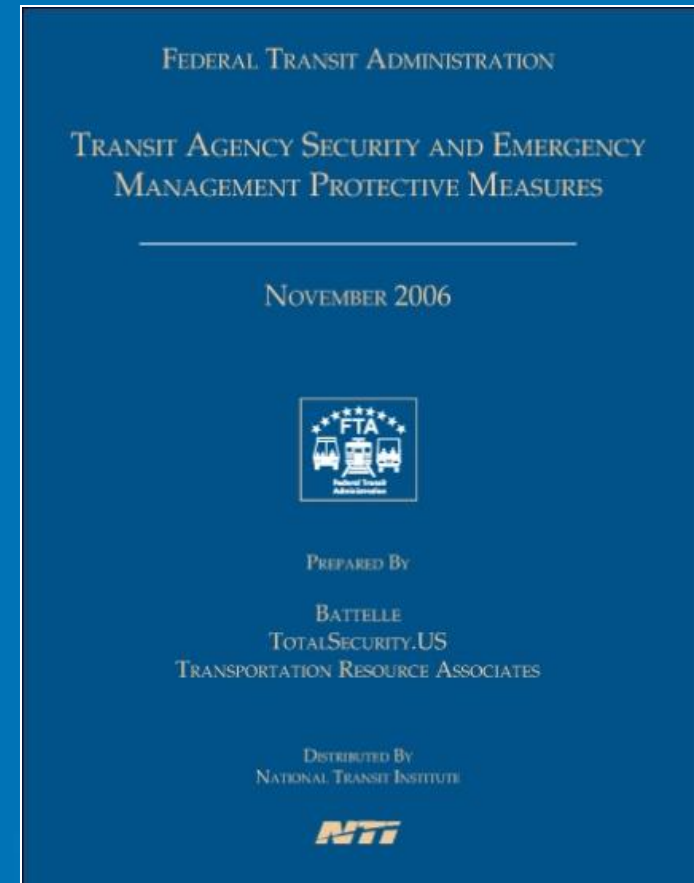


# Response and Recovery for Declared Emergencies and Disasters

- Appendices contain
    - Excerpts from FEMA's guide to the declaration process and federal disaster assistance
    - 49 CFR Part 601, Subpart D – Emergency Procedures for Public Transportation Systems
    - FEMA, FTA, and state emergency contact links
    - FAQs
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# FTA's Protective Measures

- First developed in 2002
- Designed using DHS Homeland Security Advisory System (HSAS) color codes
- Includes PMs for security and emergency management only
- Published in 2006






# 2006 Protective Measures Document

- Contains a comprehensive list of PMs for transit planning and operations, including incremental threat, response, and recovery (253 PMs)
- Includes PMs for information technology and communications equipment based on NIST documents



# 2012 Revision of PM Document

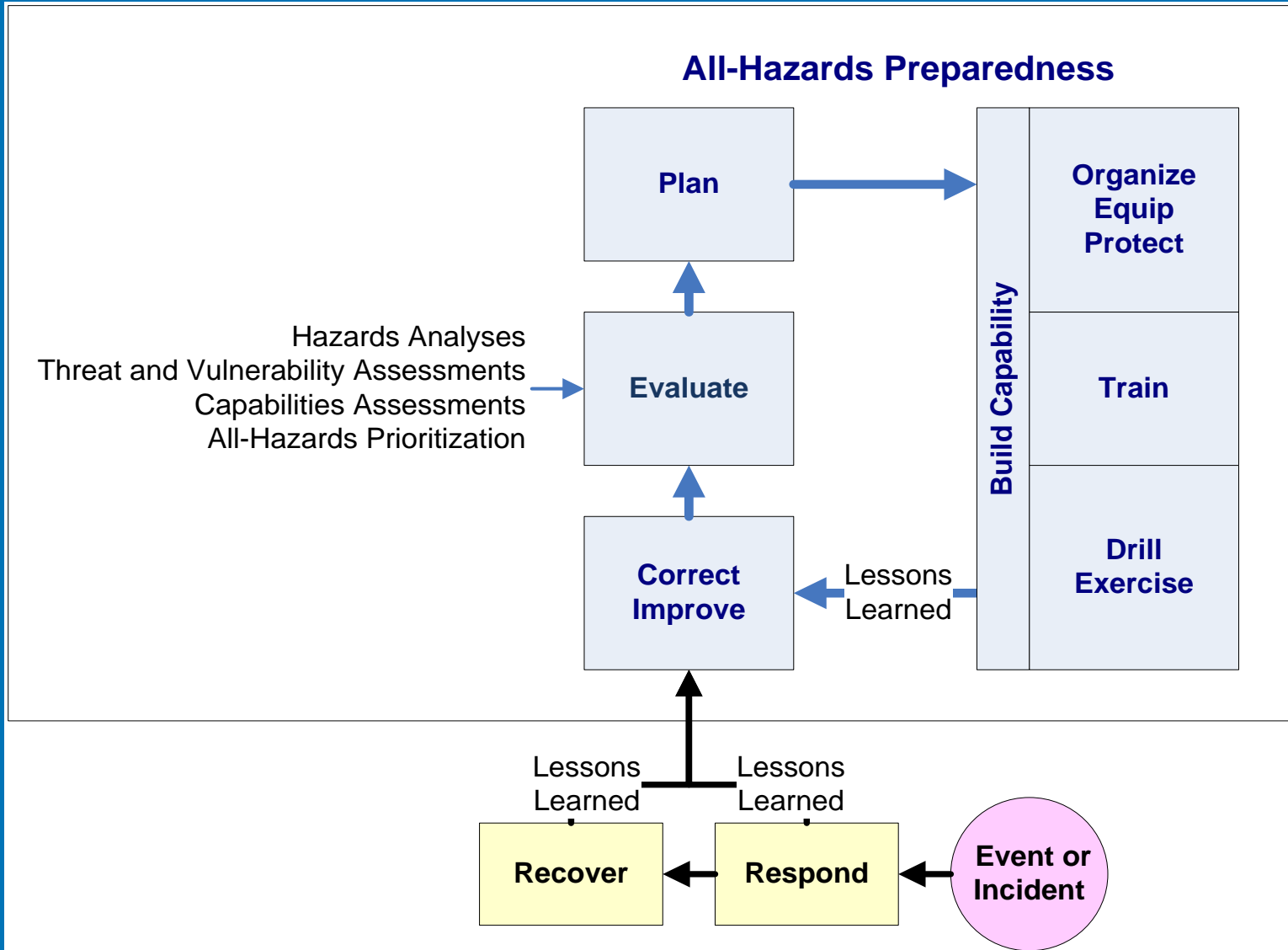
- Redesign from HSPD-8 to PPD-8, all-hazards preparedness
  - Redesign from HSAS to National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS)
  - Incorporate
    - National Preparedness Goal National
    - National Preparedness System
    - Strategic National Risk Assessment
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# All-Hazards Preparedness for Transit Agencies

“Integrated planning and capability building for safety, security, and emergency management to optimize and continuously improve the use of resources and the management of risks from hazards, threats, vulnerabilities, and adverse events or incidents” (FTA, May 2010)



# All Hazards Preparedness



# Revised PM Mission Areas

- Prevent, protect, and mitigate become, respectively:
  - Baseline (HSAS green, blue, yellow)
  - Heightened alert (HSAS orange), based on NTAS non-specific threat/target
  - Maximum alert (HSAS red), based on NTAS specific threat/target
- Respond and recover do not change

# Integration of NTAS and TSA PMs

- NTAS elevated and imminent alerts integrated into incremental threat mission areas
- TSA Mass Transit PMs also integrated into incremental threat mission areas



# Revised PM Capability Areas for Transit Agencies

- Risk assessment (internal to agency)
- All hazards preparedness planning
- Risk management
- Regional coordination (external to agency)
- Public and employee awareness and communications



# Status of 2012 All-Hazards Protective Measures: Building Capability

- Reviewed recent documents and collected 1,000+ candidate PMs in safety, security, and emergency management
- Mapped candidate PMs to transit capability areas
- Grouped candidate PMs under topics within each capability area





# Path Forward for 2012 All-Hazards Protective Measures: Building Capability

- Combine PMs that describe the same task. Target 200 PMs or fewer
- Solicit comments on mission and capability areas, including from rural and small transit agencies
- Map the 2006 PMs (253) to the new/final 2012 PMs (~200) for those transit agencies that already used them



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