This Grant Management Memo is in follow-up to GMM 2016-11 regarding the FY 2017 HSGP application process. As previously stated, all Cal OES subrecipients will be required to submit HSGP grant award applications in advance of the release of the FY 2017 HSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). This requirement is necessary in order to meet the new federal application guidelines which require the State to include all proposed projects in its initial application for the award.

As Congress has now passed a Continuing Resolution through April 28, 2017, and because we now anticipate a release of the NOFO in the Spring, Cal OES has extended the FY 2017 HSGP application submission deadline to February 17, 2017.

The FY 2017 Investment Justifications have been updated and are attached. California subrecipients are to develop their FY 2017 application using their FY 2016 allocations as estimates for project funding. Please note that until the release of the NOFO, there is no guarantee on the funding level for the FY 2017 award.

Each subrecipient must include one or two scalable projects in their advance application that can later be adjusted to accommodate the final FY 2017 allocations, which will be determined upon release of the NOFO. For planning purposes, it is anticipated that there will be a short State application period due to the anticipated late release of the NOFO. This means that subrecipients will have a short turnaround time (likely 10 days) for submission of scalable project adjustments once the final allocations are released.

The Project Ledger in the FY 2017 Financial Management Forms Workbook (FMFW) has been revised to include information needed during the State’s application process. The FMFW is posted on the Cal OES website at http://www.caloes.ca.gov/cal-oes-divisions/grants-management/grants-processing-programs/homeland-security-grants-processing. Changes to the FMFW will be discussed during the BSIR webinars beginning next week.
Finally, if your FY 2017 application includes a construction or renovation project, you must identify the project(s) at the time of application by completing and submitting the attached Cal OES Proposed Construction and Renovation Project form with your application.

General questions regarding the FY 2017 application process should be directed to your Cal OES Program Representative.
The State has prioritized the following investment strategies for the FY 2017 award. Please note that Investment Justification #1 (IJ #1) is to be used to report on Regional Threat Assessment Center activities only.

IJ #1: Information Sharing and Analysis, Collaboration Capabilities, and Public Safety Response

IJ #2: Protect Critical Infrastructure and Key Resources

IJ #3: Enhance Cybersecurity

IJ #4: Strengthen Communications Capabilities Through Planning, Governance, Technology and Equipment

IJ #5: Enhance Medical and Public Health Preparedness

IJ #6: Preventing Violent Extremism Through Multi-Jurisdictional/Inter-Jurisdictional Collaboration and Coordination

IJ #7: Enhance Community Resilience, Including Partnerships With Volunteers and Community Based Organizations and Programs

IJ #8: Strengthen Food and Agriculture Security

IJ #9: Enhance Multi-Jurisdictional/Inter-Jurisdictional All Hazards Incident Planning, Response & Recovery Capabilities

IJ #10: Homeland Security Exercise, Evaluation and Training Programs