

THIRA Overview



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National Preparedness System

- A system that leverages what was already going on in the whole community
- A common system of processes and tools that allows the whole community to move in the same direction, speaking the same language
- All of the components seek to answer the question: How do we achieve the National Preparedness Goal?



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THIRA and SPR as Part of the NPS

- The foundation of the NPS is identifying and assessing risks
- To know what we are accomplishing, we need to set baselines and end-states
- Setting baselines allows for capability assessment and identification of gaps and shortfalls in capability



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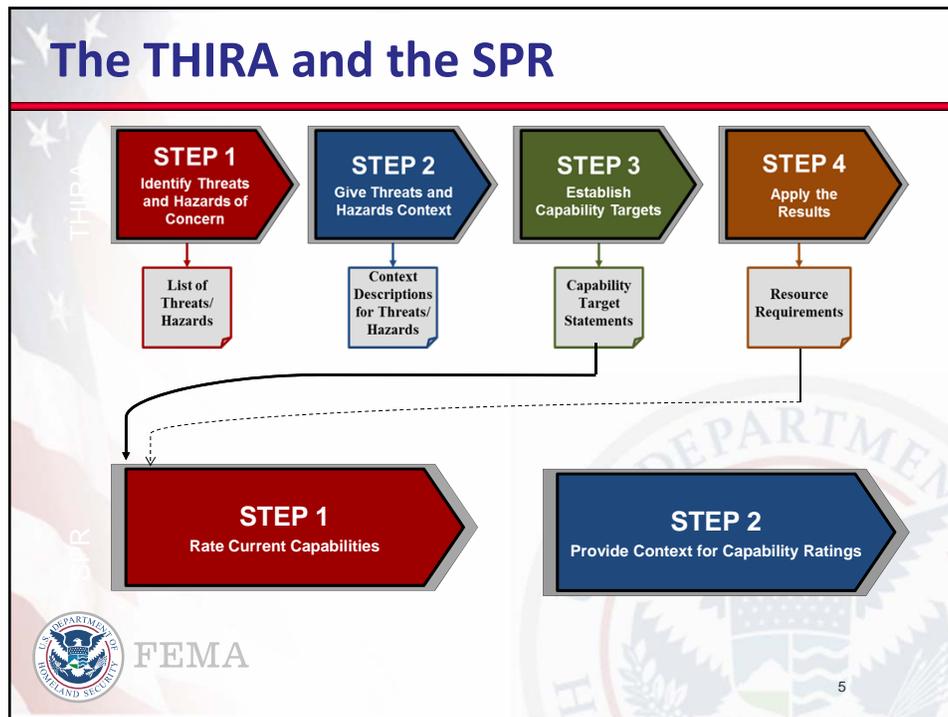
Informs Other System Components

- Capability targets from the THIRA process are applied to the SPR to document current capability levels and gaps
- The SPR measures the difference between the capability you need and the capability you currently have



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How do we use THIRA and SPR?

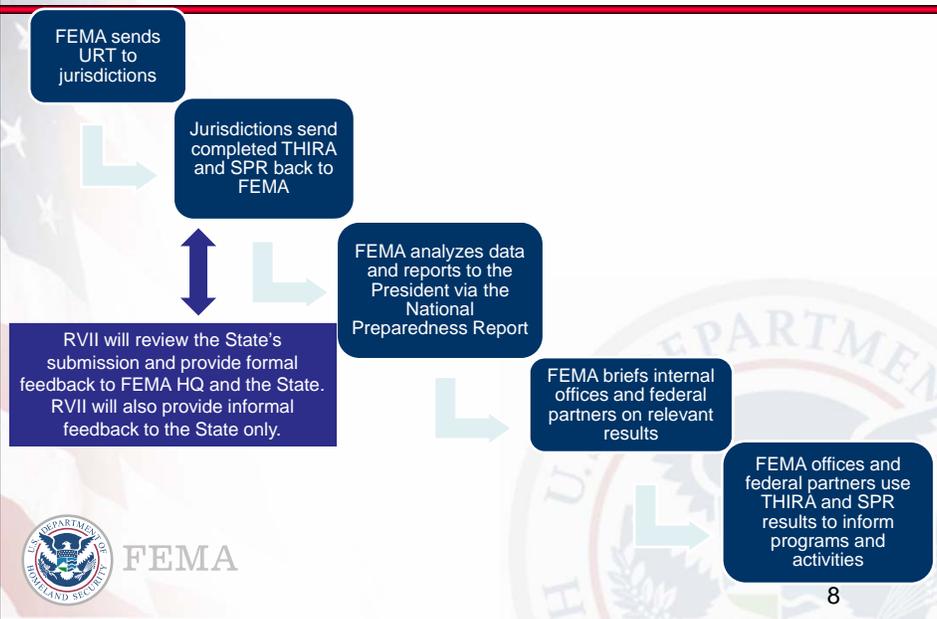
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 - Informs program activities and programs, such as training and exercises
 - Helps answer preparedness questions from the White House and Congress
 - Informs the National Preparedness Report
- Other Federal Agencies
 - Informs strategic-level planning, training, and other resource delivery
- Congress
 - Demonstrates the value of grant and other investments in improving national preparedness capability



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Flow of THIRA/SPR Data



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What Is Required of You in 2014?

1. Update or develop a THIRA
 - a) Provide at least one estimated impact, one desired outcome, and one capability target for each core capability
 - b) Complete Step 4: Capability Estimation for the same sub-set of 13 core capabilities as last year
2. For states and territories only: Complete the SPR using the same methodology as last year



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Submitting a THIRA and/or SPR

- Fill out the FY 2014 Unified THIRA/SPR Reporting Tool
- States and Tribes: Submit completed tools to your respective Regional Federal Preparedness Coordinators (FPC) or their designee and to the SPR inbox at FEMA-SPR@fema.dhs.gov
- Phil Kirk is the FPC for Region VII
 - Rodney Butts & Rodney Odom are his designees



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What is a Complete THIRA?

- A complete THIRA contains the outcomes of the 4 steps:
 - Step 1: A list of threats and hazards of concern to the jurisdiction
 - Step 2: Context descriptions for threats and hazards
 - Step 3: At least one estimated impact, desired outcome, and capability target for each of the 31 core capabilities
 - Step 4: Resource requirements – 13 of the 31 core capabilities
 - Post-Assessment Questions



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What is a Complete SPR?

- A complete SPR contains the following for all core capabilities:
 - Internal Ratings for each POETE element
 - Where a shortfall is indicated, into which major areas these gaps fall
 - The free-text gap descriptions are encouraged but optional
 - Also, recent advances are encouraged but optional
 - The current priority for this core capability to building and sustaining preparedness activities
 - Whether or not the ratings reflect experience from a real-world incident or event, and the names of those events
 - An indication of perceived reliance on federal resources to make up a shortfall
 - SPR Post-Assessment



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Additional Support and Resources

- For assistance on preparing and submitting the THIRA and/or SPR, contact your FEMA Regional Office
 - Rodney Butts, rodney.butts2@fema.dhs.gov, 816.283.7026
 - Rodney Odom, rodney.odom@fema.dhs.gov, 816.283.7965
- Visit the National Preparedness website for updates about the implementation of the directive and to download information regarding THIRA
 - <http://www.fema.gov/national-preparedness>
- Request additional technical assistance provided through FEMA's Technical Assistance Program
 - <http://www.fema.gov/technical-assistance>
- For questions regarding FY 2014 Unified THIRA/SPR Reporting Tool functionality and use, please send an email to FEMA-SPR@fema.dhs.gov or call 202-786-9576



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