



## Interagency Interoperability Oversight Group



### April 13, 2011 Meeting Summary

This is a quick update and summary from the April 13 IIOG meeting. We had good attendance – not 100%, but most of the members. As you could tell from the agenda, we spent most of the time recalibrating our priorities and discussing future governance.

On the governance matter, we agreed that we are ready for the next level of maturity which is to be formally chartered by the two Secretaries. We also agreed to create an Executive Steering Committee of the two CIOs and the heads of the primary mission areas, fire and law enforcement. The ESC would meet infrequently, setting broad goals and expectations. A Working Group of senior leaders from the ESC organizations – and likely including a broader group of representatives from bureaus and program areas – will be formed to provide communication/coordination and to oversee execution of projects. I will write up and circulate a draft approach. We are looking at meeting on the morning of May 26 to discuss face to face. Future meetings were cancelled pending formation of these new groups.

We also agreed not to take a field trip this year, but to stay focused on priority project work as described below.

We identified three major areas of focus:

- 1) Interconnectivity (access/authentication, recognition of credentials, etc.)
- 2) Radio sharing and improvement
- 3) Dispatch

On the Interconnectivity topic, June Hartley from DOI OCIO along with Kolleen Shelley are revitalizing that effort and are marshalling resources to begin rolling out some capability by later this year. Significant behind the scenes work is still needed, but they will get the right people focused.

On the Radio topic, DOI is beginning a “Radio Transformation” project that will comprehensively address the myriad of issues, and will involve FS in partnership on appropriate portions. Project organization and planning is just getting underway.

On Dispatch, the charter has been signed and pilot work is underway in the Southwest and California. We hope to use the future governance structure emerging from the IIOG to provide future structure.

Please mark your calendars for May 26 and stay tuned for further information.