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# NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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### NORTH DAKOTA

**(North Dakota) Drones could be used on North Dakota oil fields.** Drone technologies first used to help troops track and engage enemies in distant battlefields are finding a lucrative market in remote U.S. oil fields, another environment where it can be difficult to put eyes on the ground.

<http://fuelfix.com/blog/2014/10/06/drones-could-be-used-on-north-dakota-oil-fields/>

**(North Dakota) RPT-Maze of federal oversight impedes North Dakota's anti-flaring push.** North Dakota's oil producers will struggle to comply with aggressive rules taking effect on Wednesday designed to curb the wasteful burning of natural gas, hindered by lengthy federal reviews of crucial pipelines.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/10/02/energy-north-dakota-flaring-idUSL2NORW2TV20141002>

**(North Dakota) Federal grant to beef up ND school emergency plans.** As many as 75 North Dakota school districts might benefit from a federal grant intended to help them plan for emergencies. The state Department of Public Instruction has been awarded a \$250,000 federal grant to help rural districts review, revise or develop emergency operations plans. Every school district is eligible except for Bismarck, Mandan, Fargo, West Fargo, Grand Forks and Minot.

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2014/oct/6/federal-grant-to-beef-up-nd-school-emergency-plans/>

### REGIONAL

**(North Dakota, Minnesota) Largest pipeline yet in North Dakota delayed a year, Enbridge cites Minnesota permit issues.** A Canadian company that wants to build the largest oil pipeline yet from western North Dakota's booming oil patch is delaying the project for at least a year due to permitting problems in Minnesota. Calgary, Alberta-based Enbridge Energy Partners LP disclosed the delay of the \$2.6 billion Sandpiper pipeline in a filing Tuesday with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

<http://www.foxbusiness.com/markets/2014/09/30/largest-pipeline-yet-in-north-dakota-delayed-year-enbridge-cites-minnesota/>

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**(International) New data breaches hit Supervalu, Albertson's.** Supervalu officials reported a second incident September 29 where hackers installed a different piece of malware on the company's computer system that potentially captured customers' payment card information from the payment processing systems of four Cub Foods stores in Minnesota and several Albertson's grocery stores across the U.S. between August and September. <http://www.securityweek.com/new-data-breaches-hit-supervalu-albertsons>

**(Montana) Beaverhead County High evacuated after prank calls.** A hoax bomb threat prompted the evacuation of students and the cancellation of classes at Beaverhead County High School in Dillon September 29. Police searched the school and cleared the scene once nothing suspicious was found. [http://mtstandard.com/news/local/beaverhead-county-high-evacuated-after-prank-calls/article\\_59b9d833-0c63-5cd1-8ecb-5630e580b4d9.html](http://mtstandard.com/news/local/beaverhead-county-high-evacuated-after-prank-calls/article_59b9d833-0c63-5cd1-8ecb-5630e580b4d9.html)

## NATIONAL

**(National) FBI director warns of Khorasan attack.** The head of the FBI said in an interview broadcast late Sunday that the U.S. is preparing for an imminent terrorist attack. FBI Director James Comey said the Khorasan Group, an al Qaeda affiliate in Syria, may still be working on a plan to hit the United States. <http://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/fbi-director-warns-of-khorasan-attack/ar-BB7HrLP>

**(National) 76M households hit by JPMorgan data breach.** JPMorgan Chase & Co. stated October 2 that a large cyberattack against the company's systems compromised the customer information of around 76 million households and 7 million small businesses. The attack was discovered in August and began as early as June and compromised customers' names, addresses, email addresses, and phone numbers but the bank stated that there was no evidence that the breach included account information. <https://finance.yahoo.com/news/jpmorgan-says-data-breach-affected-210556038.html>

**(New York) State, fed agencies again find defects on oil trains.** A report issued by the governor of New York September 26 found 72 minor defects and one critical defect from a split rail after an inspection of 766 tanks cars and 167 miles of track in New York. The inspection program began in February after several accidents

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across the U.S. and Canada and defines that non-critical defects must be fixed before the train departs the yard. <http://wivb.com/2014/09/26/state-fed-agencies-again-find-defects-on-oil-trains/>

**(National) Six charged with bribery in grant U.S. National Guard contracts.** Three executives from Arlington, Virginia-based National Guard Bureau, Financial Solutions, Inc. of Fredericksburg, and Mil-Team Consulting of Minnesota pleaded guilty October 1 in a bribery scheme to grant U.S. National Guard contracts incorrectly by bribing National Guard officials with money to award them marketing and advertising contracts worth \$14.6 million. Three others were also charged in the scheme which involved the distribution of federal funds by the National Guard Bureau to the Army National Guard and its State units. <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/10/01/us-usa-crime-nationalguard-idUSKCN0HQ5D020141001>

**(National) U.S. orders airlines to replace cockpit displays on 1,300 Boeing airplanes.** The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration ordered airlines to replace cockpit display units made by Honeywell International Inc. on more than 1,300 Boeing 737 and 777 aircraft due to concerns of interference from Wi-Fi, cellular devices, radar, and satellite communications. The replacement of all Honeywell unit displays within 5 years is estimated to cost nearly \$14 million. <http://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/us-orders-airlines-to-replace-cockpit-displays-on-1300-boeing-airplanes/ar-BB6HacW>

**(National) Live poultry Salmonella outbreak sickens 344 in 42 States.** The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported an additional 44 cases related to an ongoing Salmonella outbreak linked to live poultry from Mt. Healthy Hatcheries in Ohio, bringing the total case count to 344. Sickesses related to the outbreak have onset of illness dates ranging from February 3 to August 23 and span across 42 States and Puerto Rico. <http://foodpoisoningbulletin.com/2014/live-poultry-salmonella-outbreak-sickens-344-in-42-states/>

## INTERNATIONAL

**(International) 'Shellshock' attacks could already top 1 billion: Report.** Incapsula researchers reported that the company's Web application firewall deflected over

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217,000 attempted exploitations of the Shellshock vulnerability in GNU Bash during the 4 days after the vulnerability was disclosed and estimated that the total number of attacks attempting to exploit the flaw could reach 1 billion.

<http://www.securityweek.com/shellshock-attacks-could-already-top-1-billion-report>

### **(Hong Kong) Beijing Warns Hong Kong Protesters, Cracks Down at Home.**

China's central government warned of chaos and severe consequences if the pro-democracy protests continued in Hong Kong, and it is taking measures to prevent news of the protests from spreading to the mainland.

<http://www.voanews.com/content/china-warns-hong-kong-protesters-cracks-down-on-activists-at-home/2469983.html>

## **BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY**

**(Nevada; Florida; South Dakota) Ex-LV chiropractor arrested in \$34M fraud scheme.** A former chiropractor in Las Vegas was arrested by FBI agents for allegedly working with a South Dakota man to funnel money from a Florida-based hedge fund that caused the fund to go bankrupt and led to millions in investor losses. The charges against the two men stem from 2010 U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission charges against the two men and six others, with federal prosecutors seeking to recover \$44.8 million from the Las Vegas and South Dakota defendants. <http://www.reviewjournal.com/news/las-vegas/ex-lv-chiropractor-arrested-34m-fraud-scheme>

## **CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR**

**Nothing Significant to Report**

## **COMMERCIAL FACILITIES**

**(Oklahoma) 2 stabbed, 1 shot at Vaughan Foods in Moore.** Vaughan Foods in Monroe was evacuated while authorities investigated an incident that left two women injured with stab wounds and one person injured with gunshot wounds after a dispute September 25. Police shot and arrested the suspect after discovering the victims in the building. <http://www.koco.com/news/moore-police-respond-to-active-shooter-situation/28250834>

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### COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

### CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

**(National)** Chrysler recalls 350,000 vehicles on ignition switch issues. Chrysler Group LLC announced a recall for about 350,000 model year 2008 Dodge Charger and Magnum, Chrysler 300, and Jeep Grand Cherokee and Commander vehicles, due to an ignition switch issue where the switch can be knocked out of the 'on' position, shutting off the engine and disabling airbag deployment or windshield wipers and defroster. <http://news.msn.com/us/chrysler-recalls-350000-vehicles-on-ignition-switch->

**(International)** Ford recalls 850,000 vehicles for glitch affecting airbags, seat belts. Ford Motor Co., recalled 850,050 model year 2013 and 2014 Ford C-Max, Fusion, Escape, and Lincoln MKZ vehicles due to an electrical problem that could cause the vehicles' restraints-control module to short circuit and cause the airbags and seat belt pretensioners to malfunction in the event of a crash. Ford reported that 746,842 of the vehicles were recalled in the U.S. and territories and 82,962 were recalled in Canada. <http://www.autonews.com/article/20140926/OEM11/140929907/ford-recalls-850000-vehicles-for-glitch-affecting-airbags-seat-belts>

### DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

### EMERGENCY SERVICES

Nothing Significant to Report

### ENERGY

**(Texas)** Exxon Mobil claims responsibility for Marion oil leak. Exxon Mobil is investigating September 29 after an unknown amount of oil leaked from its

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pipeline in Marion, Texas, September 24, forcing the pipeline to shut down indefinitely. Crews installed booms to keep the oil from entering a tributary that feeds into the Santa Clara Creek.

<http://www.ksat.com/content/pns/ksat/news/2014/09/28/exxon-mobil-claims-responsibility-for-marion-oil-leak0.html>

**(Kentucky) EPA reaches Clean Water Act settlement with two coal companies to improve water quality in eastern Kentucky.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reached a settlement with Appollo Fuels, Inc., October 1 to pay \$135,000 in penalties and ordered the company to remediate impacts to waters in the U.S. through on-site restoration and after-the-fact permit authorization for violating the Clean Water Act at its Jellico Surface Mine #1 in Bell County. Coal Operators 1, LLC also reached a settlement with the EPA to pay \$110,000 in penalties after receiving 7 violations of the Clean Water Act at its Coal Essence Preparation Plant in Pikeville.

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/OPA/ADMPRESS.NSF/d0cf6618525a9efb85257359003fb69d/b90b0db29878fb7e85257d64005006f7>

## FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

**(Montana) Trucker abandons load of thawing chicken near Missoula.** Authorities discovered a Dixie River Freight Inc., trailer filled with 35,000 pounds of raw chicken, worth \$80,000, in the parking lot of a Town Pump Flying J travel plaza in Missoula September 23, which is believed to have been left by a former employee who stole a semi-truck then abandoned the load when the company rejected the man's demands for money. Health officials have inspected the trailer and are working to determine how to remove it from the travel plaza's parking lot.

<http://www.nbcmontana.com/news/trucker-abandons-load-of-thawing-chicken-near-missoula/28231748>

**(International) U.S. Marshals seize botanical substance kratom from southern California facility.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration September 25 seized more than 25,000 pounds of raw kratom, a botanical substance also known as *Mitragyna speciosa*, worth over \$5 million that is banned in the U.S., from the Rosefield Management facility in Van Nuys, California. Rosefield imported the material from Indonesia and distributed the product in the U.S. after receiving instruction to do so from Wholesale Shamanic Herbs.

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<http://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm416318.htm>

**(Maryland) Report: Chicken on menu at 2014 Food Safety Summit was contaminated.** The Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene released a report September 25 stating that a chicken dish prepared and served at the 2014 Food Safety Summit by Centerplate, the Baltimore Convention Center's exclusive caterer, was likely contaminated with *Clostridium perfringens* (C. perfringens) and was the likely source of an outbreak that sickened 216 attendees at the April 9 conference. <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2014/09/c-perfringens-in-c>

**(California) Intruder uses golf club to kill 920 Foster Farms chickens.** Fresno County officials reported September 30 that at least one person pulled back a fence to break into a Foster Farms chicken shed in Caruthers September 20 and killed 920 chickens with a golf club. Authorities asked for the public's help in finding the responsible parties. <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-foster-farms-chickens-killed-20140930-story.html>

### **GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)**

**(Florida) Deputies: Bomb threats prompted evacuations at 4 schools in Lake County.** Four Lake County schools were evacuated for more than 3 hours September 29 after South Lake High School in Groveland, Clermont Middle School, and Cecil E. Gray Middle School received bomb threats. Police cleared the scene at all four schools before resuming classes. <http://www.wesh.com/news/bomb-threat-prompts-evacuations-at-south-lake-high-school-school-officials-say/28312328>

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**(International) FBI Director: Chinese Like 'Drunk Burglar'.** FBI director James Comey talked about Chinese hacking -- and how basically every American company has been targeted -- last night on 60 Minutes. Comey said that it's not the Chinese are so good, it's that they're "prolific." He likened their hacking style

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to a "drunk burglar." [http://www.weeklystandard.com/blogs/fbi-director-chinese-drunk-burglar\\_808569.html](http://www.weeklystandard.com/blogs/fbi-director-chinese-drunk-burglar_808569.html)

**(International) Honeypot catches malware exploiting Shellshock Bash bug.** Alien Vault researchers found two pieces of malware through their honeypots, an Internet Relay Chat (IRC) bot and an Executable and Linkable Format (ELF) binary that offers malicious actors the possibility to use the infected machine in distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks in order to exploit the Shellshock Bash vulnerability. Patches are available for several software platforms as attackers are rapidly working to exploit the CVE-2014-6271 vulnerability.

<http://news.softpedia.com/news/Honeypot-Catches-Malware-Exploiting-Shellshock-Bash-Bug-460041.shtml>

**(International) Cisco lists 31 products vulnerable to the Shellshock vulnerability.**

Cisco released a list of 31 products vulnerable to the Shellshock glitch which included connection routing, network management, and media content delivery and encoding, among others. Oracle also released a list of 32 products vulnerable to attack by the Bash bug after the company changed its initial list and appended new products.

<http://news.softpedia.com/news/Cisco-Lists-31-Products-Vulnerable-To-the-Shellshock-Vulnerability-460303.shtml>

**(International) Four hackers accused of \$100m US military software and gaming IP theft.** Four individuals were indicted for allegedly stealing over \$100 million worth of intellectual property from game developers and the U.S. Army including data from yet-to-be-released games and training software used to train helicopter pilots. Two of the accused pleaded guilty and reportedly used a SQL injection attack to steal the usernames and passwords of employees and software developers in order to gain access to the data.

<http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2373278/four-hackers-accused-of-usd100m-us-military-software-and-gaming-ip-theft>

## PUBLIC HEALTH

**(Texas) Five babies test positive for TB in Texas.** Five infants tested positive for tuberculosis (TB) after being exposed to a nurse who reported to work with an active case of TB at Providence Memorial Hospital in El Paso. The hospital reported that over 850 infants and 43 health care workers were potentially

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exposed to the disease after coming into contact with the infected nurse between September 2013 and August 2014.

<http://www.cnn.com/2014/09/29/health/babies-test-positive-tb/index.html>

**(International) FDA publishes cybersecurity guidance for medical device manufacturers.** A set of recommended cybersecurity measures for medical device manufacturers was released October 2 by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration detailing the importance of authentication controls and detection of devices. The report also included guidance on the submission of plans for providing updates to operating systems and software, and the creation of a plan to help mitigate risks, among other recommendations. <http://www.securityweek.com/fda-publishes-cybersecurity-guidance-medical-device-manufacturers>

### TRANSPORTATION

**(Massachusetts) 5 Boston airline workers accused of smuggling cash.** Four JetBlue Airways employees and one Delta Air Lines customer service ramp agent were charged with using their security clearances to sneak more than \$417,000 in cash past Transportation Security Administration checkpoints at Boston Logan International Airport from open areas of the airport, including public bathrooms and passenger drop-off areas. The money is believed to be connected to illegal drug sales. <http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/5-boston-airline-workers-accused-of-smuggling-cash>

### WATER AND DAMS

**(California) EPA announces \$183 million to improve water quality, infrastructure in California.** Officials from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced October 2 that \$183 million from the federal government will go to California to help build water quality projects that will include reducing water pollution, improving municipal drinking water and wastewater infrastructure, making water and energy projects more efficient, and providing assistance to communities. <http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/11F36193E02D355785257D650067F727>

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## **NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS**

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: **North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center: 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: [ndslic@nd.gov](mailto:ndslic@nd.gov); Fax: 701-328-8175 State Radio: 800-472-2121; Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI): 701-328-5500; North Dakota Highway Patrol: 701-328-2455; US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst: 701-297-7400; Bismarck FBI: 701-223-4875; Fargo FBI: 701-232-7241.**

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