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Houston Ship Channel Security District



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Overview



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Why its needed

- Vital supply chain
- Increased layer of security
- Water and landside protection
- Recover & restore operations



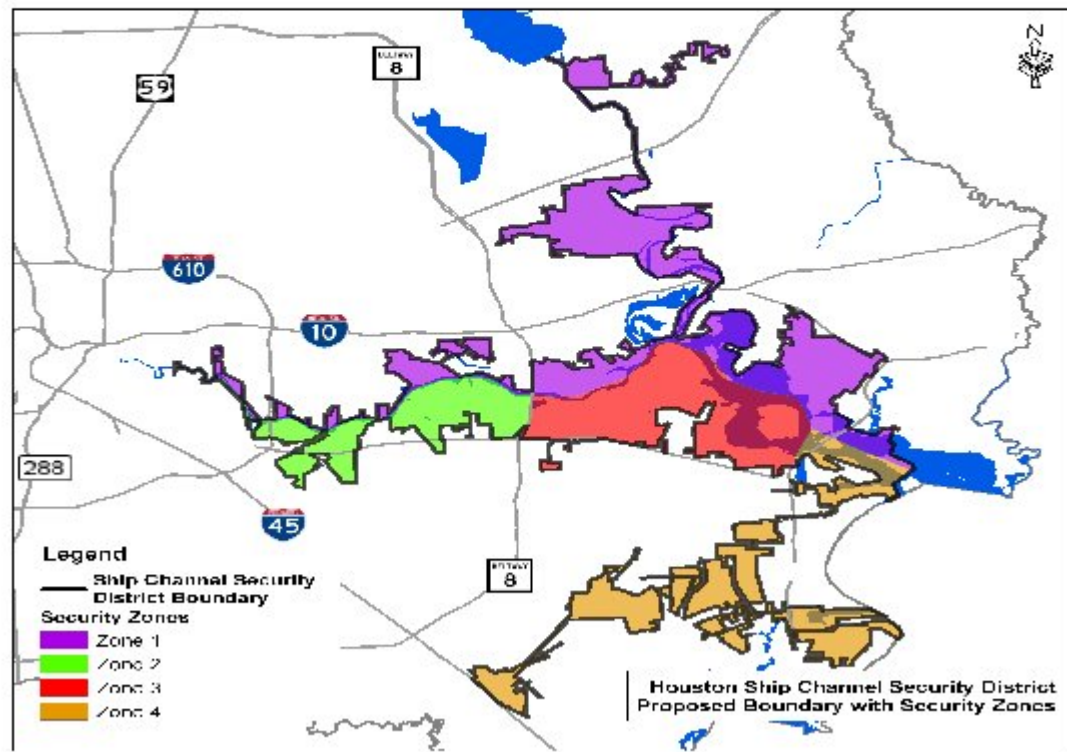
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How its managed

- Eleven member board
- Eight members will come from industry
- One Harris County representative
- One Harris County Mayors and Councils Association
- One Port of Houston Authority

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How it Looks



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Who is in the district

- East Harris County Manufacturers Association facilities
- Facilities subject to maritime transportation security plan
- Facilities excluded by legislation are utilities, residential and most retail and service businesses

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How the district is formed

- District members receive petition
- Petition includes:
 - complete district boundaries & description
 - individual company assessment
 - individual company HCAD properties
 - letter from leaders asking approval of endorsed plan and assessments
 - copy of state legislation
- District members approve petition
- Commissioners Court approves district
- District members elect board

The district's benefits

- Improves security and safety
- Improves preparedness & response
- Adds proven security technology
- Adds dedicated equipment, personnel
- Improves command & control processes
- Deters terrorism, as well as theft, security, and safety threats
- Aides recovery & resumption of trade

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Layered Protection

- Harris County Sheriff's Department
- METRO
- Port of Houston Authority
- TranStar
- TxDOT
- U.S. Coast Guard
- Washburn Tunnel

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Funding: Capital Costs

FY 05 - \$17,016,895 (no match) –

Establishing the Baseline System

- Cameras, Radar, Wireless Network
- Command and Control Center (integrated analytics and intelligent video software)
- Patrol Boats, Underwater Swimmer Detection sets, IED defeat interrogation systems

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Funding: Capital Costs

FY 06 - \$9,145,907 (\$ 2,286,476 local match)

Local Function & Interoperability

- Patrol Vehicles (trucks, SUVs, and automobiles)
- Additional Cameras, Fiber, and Sensor Packages
- Fusion Network Capability
- Enhanced Harris County Radio System

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Funding: Capital Costs

***FY 07 - \$6,749,282 (\$1,687,320 local match) –
Expand to Surrounding EOCs/Ports***

- Video Conferencing & data sharing w/ Regional Partners
- 4-wheeled all-terrain vehicles for pursuit, capture, & mitigation
- Fusion Networking Capability
- License Plate Recognition/Mobile Radiation Detection Capability

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Who is involved

- City of Houston
- Harris County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management
- Houston Ship Channel Security Council
- METRO
- TranStar
- United States Coast Guard
- University of Houston

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