# OFFICE OF SECURE TRANSPORTATION

**Agency Integration Briefing** 

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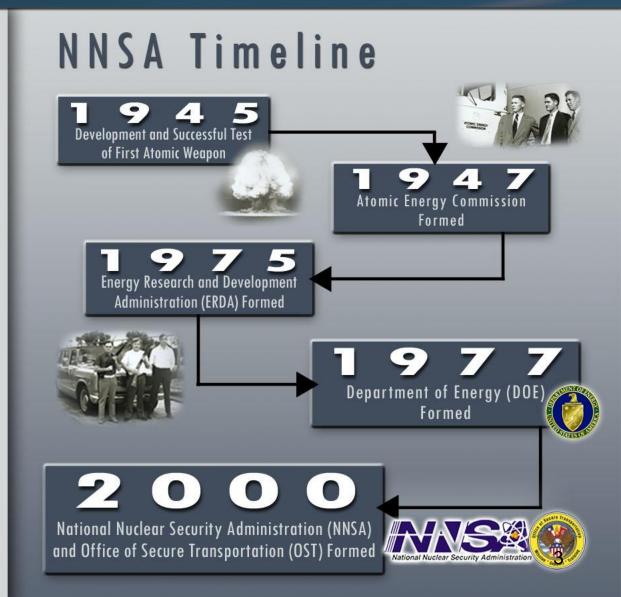


# OFFICE OF SECURE TRANSPORTATION (OST)



#### **Our Mission**

To provide safe and secure ground and air transportation of nuclear weapons, nuclear weapons components, and special nuclear materials and conduct other missions supporting the national security of the United States of America.



# PRIDE IN OUR PERFORMANCE



# OST's Commitment to Transportation Safety and Security

- Over three decades of safe, secure transport of nuclear weapons and special nuclear material to and from military locations and DOE facilities
- More than 140 million miles traveled
- Over three decades and 240,000 flight hours of accident-free flying





#### OST CORE VALUES



#### **Professionalism**

We conduct ourselves and our operations with the highest standards of professionalism and integrity.

### Quality

We are committed to maintaining OST as a transportation and security center of excellence. We employ quality principles in the execution and management of our operations.

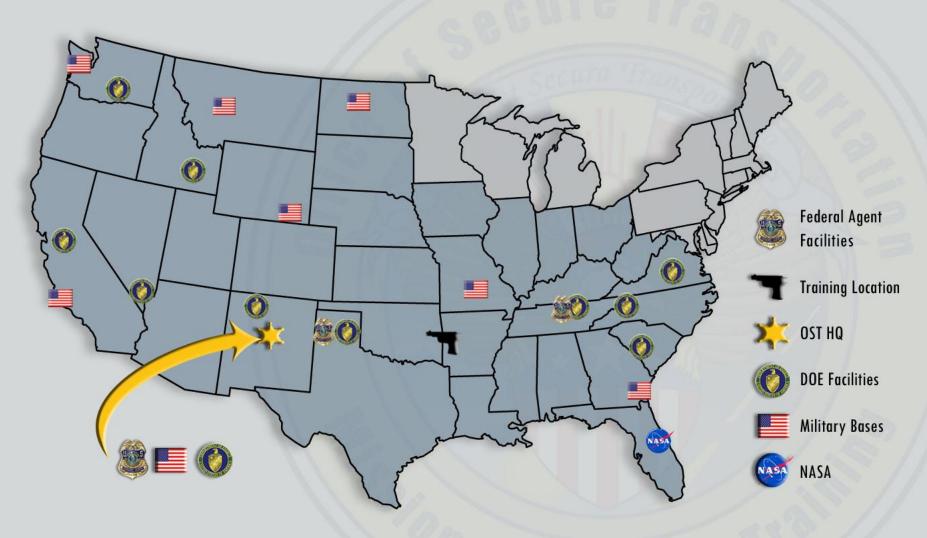
### Stewardship

We strive to effectively utilize the resources of the Department of Energy and thus, the taxpayer, in accomplishing our mission and goals.

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# OST OPERATIONS TODAY





#### OST FEDERAL AGENTS



# **Initial/Annual Requirements**

- Must possess a DOE Q clearance based on Office of Personnel Management full-field investigation
- 18-week Agent Candidate Training
  - Advanced firearms, combat tactics and tractor trailer operations
- Must meet initial/annual Human Reliability Program requirements
- Must qualify semi-annually:
  - Physical requirements
  - Issued sidearm and other armament
- ☐ Willingness to use deadly force to protect shipment
- ☐ Willingness to work with nuclear explosives



#### FLEET





- Government license plates are used
- No DOT identification is visible
- Placards are not used

#### FLEET



#### **Armored Tractors**

- ☐ Highly modified Peterbilts
- Communications and tracking
- Ballistic protection
- Ergonomic features
  - OST Policy: 32-hour rule

# Safeguards Transporter (SGT)

- Crash resistant/vault
- Ballistic protection
- Thermal protection
- Radio frequency attenuation
- Deterrent systems
  - No threat to the general public



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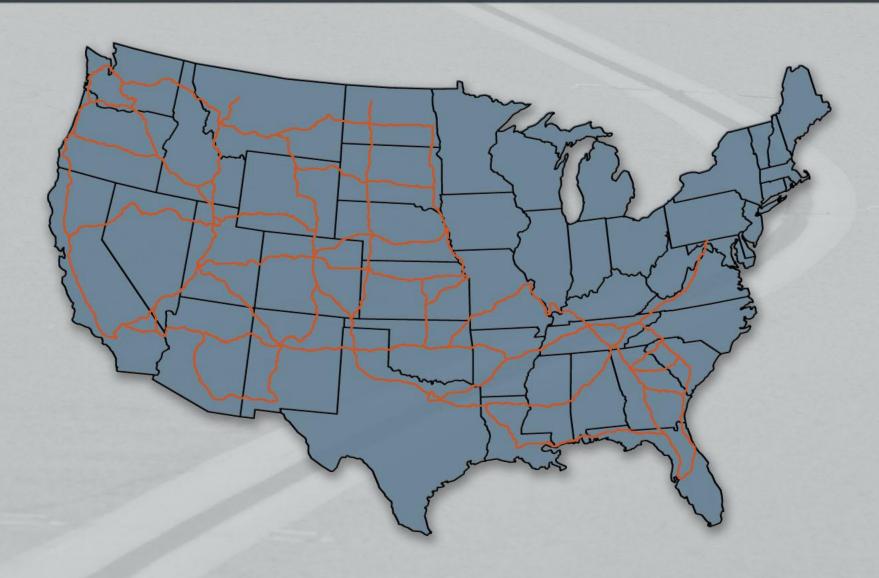
#### **Escort Vehicles**

- Highly modified unmarked emergency response vehicles
- Command and control
- Communication/ tracking systems



# OST PRIMARY ROUTES





#### OPERATIONS CENTER





# Transportation and Emergency Control Center (TECC)

- □ OST All Call Line
  - DOE HQ (Watch Office)
  - National Military Command Center
  - Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA)
  - FBI (Terrorist/Criminal Event)
- DTRA emergency hotline—utilized for coordinating safe haven contingencies

#### FEDERAL SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS





# **Emergency Operations Center** (EOC) Albuquerque, NM

- Transportation and Emergency Control Center (TECC)
  - Initiate emergency response
  - Nuclear weapons emergency hotline
  - Emergency notification recall system (communicator)
    - Makes initial notification to DOE HQ
- ☐ Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
  - Stays activated for duration of incident to provide monitoring and assistance for DOE and OST assets
  - Provides monitoring and technical assistance for responding agencies
  - Coordinates for the response of additional assets (federal, state, tribal and local)

# NATIONAL SECURITY AREA (NSA)

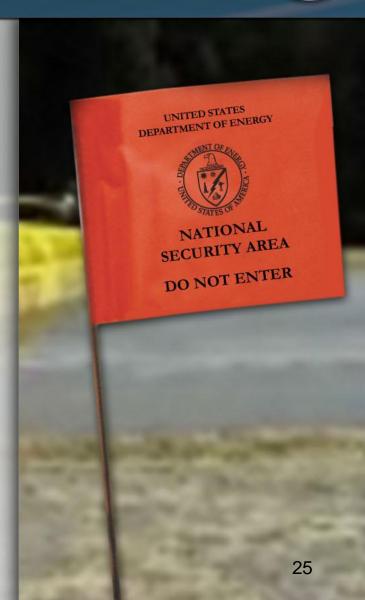


#### **Declaration of an NSA:**

- A declaration that temporarily places non-federal land under effective control of DOE and results only from an emergency event
- A citation is authorized by §161(i) of the Atomic Energy Act

#### **Definition:**

An area established within the United States and used for safeguarding classified, sensitive, and/or restricted data to protect DOE equipment and/or material



### NATIONAL SECURITY AREA (NSA)





#### **Criteria for an NSA:**

- Terrorist attack
- Theft or integrity of cargo is suspect

#### Goals:

- Promote the common defense and national security of the United States
- Emphasize the protection of health
- Minimize the danger to life, property, and the environment

#### OST LIAISON PROGRAM



- ☐ Briefings for federal, DOD, state, tribal, county, and city officials, as requested
- Annual contact letters to governors explaining OST's operation and assuring assistance in the event of an emergency
  - Governors provide a 24-hour contact number for their states' Law Enforcement and Emergency Management Agencies
- Produce and distribute a Law
  Enforcement and Emergency
  Management Agency video (and other materials) explaining OST's operation



#### OST LIAISON PROGRAM



