

Society of American Military Engineers Resilience Community of Interest Charter

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Strategic Line of Effort: GOAL 2: Build and Sustain Resilient Communities – Lead efforts to prepare communities to absorb, recover, and adapt from natural and man-made threats; fortify our nation’s resolve directly where people work and live.

Purpose or Context or Mission

The Resilience COI is one of the Communities of Interest (COI) within SAME. The Resilience COI directly supports the second SAME Strategic Plan goal to “Build and Sustain Resilient Communities”. This effort is conducted through support to Posts and as National initiatives that contribute to government and private sector collaboration to minimize the impacts of and enhance effective response and recovery to natural and man-made threats.

Reference

- Operations Manual for Community of Interest (COI) & Task Force Leadership, dated Nov 2019

Membership

Membership in the SAME Resilience Community of Interest is open to all SAME members in good standing. Leadership for the COI shall be composed of the Leadership Team, as defined below. Positions may be added or removed from the Leadership Team at the discretion of the COI Chair.

Organization

The COI will function operationally with a Leadership Team. The Chair will serve a two-year term beginning at the Spring Resilience COI Board Meeting. The recommended Leadership Team is composed of the positions described below.

Objectives or Operating Guidelines

1. Leverage local, regional, national, and international partnerships to educate and train members and stakeholders on infrastructure risks, mitigation efforts, and joint response strategies to natural and man-made events.
2. Utilize SAME’s multidisciplinary network to connect and educate stakeholders on new and existing technologies and to develop solutions to problems across critical infrastructure sectors.
3. Promote partnerships and collaboration supporting the needs of military installations in pursuit of mission assurance and readiness (such as energy, water, and industrial control system cyber security).

4. Utilize SAME's national relationships and local Posts to furnish vertical collaboration between all levels of government and private business.

5. Lead collaboration to advocate for streamlined acquisition and implementation of resilience solutions.

Deliverables

1. Submit an Annual Work Plan to SAME National.

2. Measure and report progress semi-annually regarding achievement of the annual Work Plan Goals.

3. Assist SAME National with the annual screening of resilience-related JETC track submissions.

4. Review Post Resilience Streamer submissions.

5. Maintain Resilience COI web site information with assistance from SAME National.

6. Maintain liaison between the COI and the Posts to assist with local Resilience Programs.

7. Plan for COI BOD succession.

Key Dates

- Submit Annual Work Plan: 1 May (prior to SAME Board Meeting)
- Report Status of Work Plan Attainment: 1 Nov (prior to SBC) and 1 May (prior to SAME Board Meeting)
- Screen JETC submissions: 15 Jan
- Review Post Streamer Submissions: 1 Mar

Appointment of Chair

The Committee Chair will serve a two-year term with the option of a third-year contingent on the Society Vice-President for Committees and Councils' (VP for C&C) approval. The Chair may only serve one term. Six months prior to the end of the Chair's two-year term, a new Chair-Elect will be appointed by the President of the Society upon the recommendation of the current Chair of the COI, after consultation with the Leadership Team and the SAME Executive Director. At the time of appointment, the nominee will become the Chair-Elect and work with the Chair to ensure a smooth transition.

Leadership Team Responsibilities. The following are the responsibilities of the Leadership Team members.

1. **Chair.** Provide overall direction and management of the COI by establishing

goals and objectives annually that align with the Society's goals, objectives, and focus areas. The Chair is responsible for the following:

- Serve on the Board of Direction as a voting member and represent the COI
- Recruit COI members as active participants and lead the COI Steering Committee
- Maintain a current COI charter (Appendix A)
- Responsible for developing the COI workplan and for COI Steering Committee accountability
- Serve as a Resilience subject-matter expert within the COI and the Society
- Represent the COI as a voting member on the National Board of Direction
- Fill Leadership Team positions as needed to accomplish the mission of the Resilience COI.

2. Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

- The Technical Advisory Group are Subject Matter Experts in the various components of Resilience.
- The TAG members will attend the COI Steering Committee Meetings and will lead actions within their area of expertise.

3. Regional Outreach Co-Chair

- The Regional Outreach Chair will focus on communication with RVPs, SAME National, and other COIs on resilience COI initiatives and information exchange in coordination with the Post Outreach Co-Chair

4. Post Outreach Co-Chair

- The Post Outreach Chair will focus on communication and information exchange with individual Posts in coordination with the Regional Outreach Co-Chair

5. Cybersecurity

- The Cybersecurity member will lead the COI's cybersecurity initiatives.

6. Web Co-Chair

- The web co-chair will work with SAME National to maintain and update the COI web site information.

7. Membership Co-Chair

- The Membership Co-Chair will undertake activities to promote the COI and grow the COI membership.

8. IGE Co-Chair

- The IGE Co-Chair will lead COI activities to promote IGE in Resilience

Liaisons

In addition to the Leadership Team, liaisons will be appointed, as needed, to facilitate communication and information flow between the COI and the other standing SAME Committees and COIs. Liaisons are expected to be active with their respective Committee or COI and proactively distribute information between that Committee or COI and the Resilience COI. Liaisons should provide updates during monthly COI meetings, or as needed, to ensure robust communication across the Society.

Meeting Frequency

- The Resilience COI BOD will meet monthly.

Communication

- Communications via telephone and email will be the primary mode for sharing information, issuing guidance, and obtaining updates on status.
- Face-to-face meetings occur in conjunction with SAME National Events – JETC, and the SBC.
- The BOD members will participate in regularly scheduled meetings.

Appendix – Resilience COI Leadership Team (13 Oct 20)

- Chair: COL Joe D Manous, Jr, P.E., Ph.D., USA (Ret)
- Technical Advisory Group: Mr Albert Romano
- Regional Outreach Co-Chair: LTC Brec Wilshusen, P.E., USA (Ret)
- Post Outreach Co-Chair: Mr Mike Pampalone
- Cybersecurity Co-Chair: Lt Col John T. Enyeart, P.E., PMP, F.SAME, USAF (Ret.)
- Web Co-Chair: Ms Caroline Manik
- Membership Co-Chair:
- IGE Co-Chair: Mr Albert Romano