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Emergency Manager's Weekly Report

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"We have learned that we cannot live alone, at peace; that our own well-being is dependent on the well-being of other nations, far away. We have learned that we must live as men, and not as ostriches, nor as dogs in the manger. We have learned to be citizens of the world, members of the human community."

President Franklin Roosevelt



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Introduction and Contributions

Introduction

The Emergency Manager's Weekly Report started back in 2000 as a simple e-mail message to share news and resources with a select group of colleagues. Since then it has grown significantly and shares news and resources with emergency management professionals from around the world.

The Weekly Reports social media presence includes the following:

- Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Emergency-Managers-Weekly-Report/110533579036082>
- LinkedIn: http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Emergency-Managers-Weekly-Report-3833131?mostPopular=&gid=3833131&goback=%2Egmp_3833131%2Egde_3833131_member_47547619
- Twitter: [@steveorange2003](https://twitter.com/steveorange2003)

Feel free to like, join and follow these pages because I regularly share news and information through them daily.

Steve Detwiler
EM Weekly Report Creator

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News and Information Contributions

The following individuals or groups contribute to the Emergency Manager's Weekly Report.

- International Association of Emergency Managers
- National Emergency Management Association
- Florida Emergency Preparedness Association
- Emergency Management Institute, Higher Education Program
- Montgomery County, PA Department of Public Safety
- Natural Hazards Center
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Interagency Coordinating Council on Emergency Preparedness and Individuals with Disabilities
- EAD & Associates, LLC
- Emergency Information Infrastructure Project
- U.S. Access Board
- Florida Division of Emergency Management
- Dave Freeman
- Gregory Banner
- Arthur Rabjohn
- Martha Braddock
- Ed Kostiuik
- Kenny Shaw
- Dean Larson
- Chris Floyd
- CNN
- MSNBC
- Associated Press
- Reuters
- USAToday
- Time
- Drudge Report
- Central Florida News 13
- Orlando Sentinel
- LA Times
- Government Executive
- BBC
- Homeland 1
- Federal Computer Weekly
- Firehouse Magazine
- Emergency Management Magazine
- Homeland Security Today
- ReliefWeb
- Big Medicine
- IRIN
- Homeland Security Today
- Washington Post
- NY Times
- Yahoo News
- Big Medicine
- Emergency Management Daily
- PreventionWeb

Distribution Contributions

The EM Weekly Report is also distributed through numerous social media platforms. Below is a comprehensive list and I would like to thank the page/group administrators for allowing me to post the link to the weekly report. These sites are:

Facebook Groups/Pages

- Emergency Managers
- National Tribal Emergency Management Council
- Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council
- NEMRC- National Emergency Management Resource Center
- Pearce Global Partners
- Emergency Management issues

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- FEMA Only
- EMPOWER
- Emergency Management Higher Education Community
- California Disasters
- EM Professionals concerned with PTSD impact
- Ready, set...

Linkedin Groups

- All Hands Community Network
- California Emergency Services Association
- Emergency Management and Homeland Security Professionals
- Emergency Management Professionals
- FEMA Only
- International Association of Emergency Managers
- Journal of Business Continuity and Emergency Planning
- National Emergency Management Resource Center [NEMRC]
- Natural Hazard Mitigation Association
- Social Media Crisis Communications
- SMEM Social Media Emergency Management
- Comprehensive Emergency Management Research Network
- Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) - US Membership
- Disaster & Emergency Management
- Emergency Management Professionals Workgroup
- Recovery Co-Op
- Emergency Management in Florida
- IAEM-MA
- Pandemics, Bioterrorism and International Security
- Emergency Managers Global Forum
- Hardened Structures of America, LLC

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Executive Summary

This section of the EM Weekly Report will contain news articles, reports and resources that are of particular interest to emergency management professionals:

New FEMA Region 6 administrator is sworn in

<http://www.news9.com/story/21829460/new-fema-region-6-administrator-is-sworn-in>

Emergency services coordinator thrives on job (Montana)

http://www.dailyinterlake.com/news/local_montana/article_6c45f236-9a6a-11e2-ba4a-001a4bcf887a.html

Hundreds of Families Still Stuck In Hotels after Sandy (New York)

<http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2013/03/30/hundreds-of-families-still-stuck-in-hotels-after-sandy/>

Hurricane emergency managers struggle to get public to listen to warnings

http://www.nola.com/environment/index.ssf/2013/03/hurricane_emergency_managers_s.html

Senate debates creating new state department for emergency management (Iowa)

<http://www.radioiowa.com/2013/03/27/debate-over-creating-new-state-department-for-emergency-management/>

No TV? 5 million U.S. households bid boob tube goodbye

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/money/business/2013/04/07/zero-tv-homes/2061127/>

Flood-Prone Cities Take Disaster Planning into Their Own Hands

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Flood-Prone-Cities-Disaster-Planning.html>

The Great DHS Ammunition Stockpile Myth

<http://www.breitbart.com/Big-Government/2013/04/04/The-Great-DHS-Ammunition-Stockpile-Myth>

'There's No Turning Back': My Interview with a Hunted American Jihadist

<http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2013/04/omar-hammami/>

Duplicative Efforts among Fusion Centers Redundant, GAO Says

<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/duplicative-efforts-among-fusion-centers-redundant-gao-says/10afada2facc1028bbc3a6be3609f703.html>

A Secret Deal on Drones, Sealed in Blood

http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/07/world/asia/origins-of-cias-not-so-secret-drone-war-in-pakistan.html?hp&_r=1&

Charges Dropped Against Most Defendants in American Front Case (Florida)

<http://www.splcenter.org/blog/2013/04/04/charges-dropped-against-most-defendants-in-american-front-case/>

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White Supremacists React with Glee to Texas Prosecutor Murders

<http://www.splcenter.org/blog/2013/04/03/white-supremacists-react-with-glee-to-texas-prosecutor-murders/>

Cyber education key to security

<http://www.politico.com/story/2013/04/cyber-education-key-to-security-89715.html>

Navy's New Laser Weapon Blasts Bad Guys from Air, Sea

<http://news.yahoo.com/navys-laser-weapon-blasts-bad-215808231.html>

Exclusive: Homeland Security deputy to quit; defended civilian Internet role

<http://news.yahoo.com/exclusive-homeland-security-deputy-quit-defended-civilian-internet-110406584--sector.html>

Six U.S. Air Force cyber tools designated as 'weapons'

<http://www.nbcnews.com/technology/technolog/six-u-s-air-force-cyber-tools-designated-weapons-1C9277187>

Defense Secretary Hagel demands rape reform in military

http://usnews.nbcnews.com/news/2013/04/08/17658388-defense-secretary-hagel-demands-rape-reform-in-military?lite&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Navy, Marine Corps Officials Concerned about Civilian Cyber Security

http://www.usnews.com/news/articles/2013/04/08/navy-marine-corps-officials-concerned-about-civilian-cyber-security?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Most Schools Are Ill-Prepared for an Active Shooter Scenario

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/safety/Schools-Ill-Prepared-Active-Shooter.html>

NRA Task Force Apologizes for School Security Report Error

<http://www.campussafetymagazine.com/Channel/Public-Safety/News/2013/04/09/NRA-Task-Force-Apologizes-for-School-Security-Report-Error.aspx>

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACCREDITATION PROGRAM FINALIZED

http://www.nacubo.org/Business_and_Policy_Areas/Risk_Management/Risk_Management_News/Emergency_Management_Accreditation_Program_Finalized.html#.UWQf0N1Lh30.facebook

Newtown sends out the last post-shooting donations

http://www.pulse.me/ap/76f4296d1eb144d0a8e493ff9c1ddeeb?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Texas college stabbing: 14 injured, 2 in critical condition

http://www.cnn.com/2013/04/09/justice/texas-college-stabbing/index.html?hpt=hp_t1

The dams that must not fail (New Hampshire)

<http://www.unionleader.com/article/20130405/NEWS02/130409458>

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Grants to Help Farms & Ranches Build Resilience to Drought

<http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?contentid=2013/04/0062.xml&contentidonly=true>

Weather service changes warning system after Sandy

http://www.usatoday.com/story/weather/2013/04/04/hurricane-sandy-warnings/2052773/?qoback=%2Egmp_3833131%2Egde_3833131_member_47547619

Researchers Develop Code that Reduces Time and Cost in Simulating Seismic Hazards

http://www.hpcwire.com/hpcwire/2013-04-02/researchers_develop_code_that_reduces_time_and_cost_in_simulating_seismic_hazards.html

Top Docs' (Partial) Cure for Nuclear Radiation: Bone-Marrow Drugs

<http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2013/04/health-department-nuclear/>

Tornado season about to roar after slow start

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/weather/2013/04/07/tornado-season-forecast/2056957/>

FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program Needs an Updated Approach to Analyzing Flood Risk; Communities Should Not Rely on Levees Alone to Manage Flood Risk

http://www8.nationalacademies.org/onpinews/newsitem.aspx?RecordID=18309&utm_medium=email&utm_source=National%20Academies&utm_campaign=03252013WhatsNews&utm_content=Web&utm_term=

Conn. shoreline avoids zoning changes after storms

<http://www.boston.com/news/local/connecticut/2013/04/07/conn-shoreline-avoids-zoning-changes-after-storms/xW70PJq1shxe2lBdZGHmwK/story.html>

Hurricane forecast: Above-average Atlantic season

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/weather/2013/04/10/2013-atlantic-hurricane-season-forecast-colorado-state/2067953/>

Explosion rocks power plant north of Atlanta (Georgia)

http://usnews.nbcnews.com/news/2013/04/04/17604239-explosion-rocks-power-plant-north-of-atlanta?lite&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Why the National Weather Service should not be consolidated

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/capital-weather-gang/wp/2013/04/05/why-the-national-weather-service-should-not-be-consolidated/>

Is Your PSAP Ready for NG9-1-1?

<http://www.9-1-1magazine.com/Thomas-Is-Your-PSAP-Ready-For-NG911>

Maryland County Pilots Text-to-911

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/safety/Maryland-County-Pilots-Text-911.html>

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Internet-based attacks hit emergency call centers. What's the damage?

http://news.yahoo.com/internet-based-attacks-hit-emergency-call-centers-whats-231132947.html;_ylt=AwrNUbBV62BRP34A5SfQtDMD

Edmond Emergency Management Makes 'Harlem Shake' Video (Oklahoma)

<http://www.news9.com/story/21895748/edmond-emergency-management-makes-harlem-shake-video>

Police Dept. Sets Rules for Officers' Use of Social Media (New York)

http://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/29/nyregion/new-york-police-dept-issues-guidelines-for-social-media.html?_r=3&

Holmes psychiatrist warned of threat before attack

<http://news.yahoo.com/holmes-psychiatrist-warned-threat-attack-232154034.html>

State trooper chases down truck driver who hit her (Pennsylvania)

<http://news.yahoo.com/blogs/sideshow/state-trooper-successfully-chases-down-truck-driver-hit-174309759.html>

As cities lay off police, frustrated neighborhoods turn to private cops

<http://news.yahoo.com/cities-lay-off-police-frustrated-neighborhoods-turn-private-194603643.html>

Calif. medic shot in head dies from injuries

<http://www.firerescue1.com/fire-ems/articles/1427897-Calif-medic-shot-in-head-dies-from-injuries/>

Gang member arrested in corrections killing probe (Colorado)

<http://news.yahoo.com/gang-member-arrested-corrections-killing-probe-022239478.html>

Philadelphia Firefighter Killed Battling Fabric Store Fire (Pennsylvania)

<http://www.firefighternation.com/article/news-2/philadelphia-firefighter-killed-battling-fabric-store-fire>

National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council Recommends 'Education Agenda' Revision

<http://www.jems.com/article/news/national-emergency-medical-services-adv>

Port Authority agrees to \$3.5 million fine, stand-alone fire department for airports

http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2013/04/port_authority_to_create_stand.html#incart_river_default

Station 51 where are you?

<http://www.firerescue1.com/fire-ems/articles/1428915-Station-51-where-are-you/>

11 years after, WTC debris still sifted for remains

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/04/06/world-trade-center-debris/2058763/>

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Violent teen 'flash mobs' confound cities

<http://cnnradio.cnn.com/2013/04/07/violent-teen-flash-mobs-confound-cities/?sr=fb040713flashmob5p>

"We are broke", UN says as Syria refugee funds dry up

<http://www.trust.org/alertnet/news/we-are-broke-un-says-as-syria-refugee-funds-dry-up/>

Iraqi al Qaeda wing merges with Syrian counterpart

<http://news.yahoo.com/iraqi-al-qaeda-wing-says-nusra-front-syria-084705182.html>

U.N. talks with Syria on chemical arms probe at "impasse"

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/04/10/us-syria-crisis-chemical-un-idUSBRE93919B20130410?feedType=RSS&feedName=topNews>

Embassies face decisions as tensions rise in North Korea

http://www.cnn.com/2013/04/05/world/asia/koreas-tensions/index.html?hpt=hp_t1

As Koreas face off, risk of accidental war grows

<http://news.yahoo.com/koreas-face-off-risk-accidental-war-grows-133444711.html>

China's Xi Warns against Regional Chaos as Korea Tensions Rise

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-04-07/china-s-xi-says-region-can-t-enter-chaos-as-korea-tensions-rise.html?cmpid=yahoo>

North Korea readies missile launch as fears of a covert cyberwar grow

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2013/apr/07/north-korea-missile-launch-cyberwar-fears>

Is the U.S. working to de-escalate a North Korean standoff?

<http://news.yahoo.com/blogs/ticket/u-working-escalate-north-korean-standoff-094001335--politics.html>

S. Korea denies reports of N. Korea nuke test

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/world/2013/04/08/north-korea-missile-test/2062333/>

West coast colleges not worried about North Korean attack

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/04/05/west-coast-colleges-north-korea-attack/2057365/>

China steps up bird flu precautions

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-china-22049974>

China's bird flu mystery

http://globalpublicsquare.blogs.cnn.com/2013/04/06/chinas-bird-flu-mystery/?hpt=hp_t4

Analysis: Public doubt on bird flu a ghost of China's past

<http://news.yahoo.com/analysis-public-doubt-bird-flu-ghost-chinas-past-143440806.html>

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Will CDC's Bird Flu Vaccine Work if Virus Mutates?

http://news.discovery.com/human/health/vaccine-new-bird-flu-strain-130407.htm?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews#mkcpgn=rssnws1

U.S. public health officials watching bird flu outbreak in China

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/health/2013/04/05/us-watching-chinese-bird-flu-outbreak/2056577/>

2013 Santa Cruz Tsunami Highlights the Need for Rapid Onset Tsunami Awareness (Solomon Islands)

http://www.pdc.org/PDCNewsWebArticles/2013/06_santa_cruz/

'Accidental humanitarian' John Holmes on the politics of aid

<http://www.trust.org/alertnet/news/accidental-humanitarian-john-holmes-on-the-politics-of-aid/>

BRACELET FOR HUMAN RIGHTS WORKERS SENDS KIDNAPPING ALERTS TO FACEBOOK, TWITTER

<http://www.popsci.com/technology/article/2013-04/bracelet-human-rights-workers-sends-kidnapping-alerts-facebook-twitter?src=SOC&dom=fb>

Study finds Haiti aid largely went to US groups

<http://news.yahoo.com/study-finds-haiti-aid-largely-202233442.html>

France wants to keep 1,000 soldiers in Mali permanently

<http://www.trust.org/alertnet/news/france-wants-to-keep-1000-soldiers-in-mali-permanently/>

NZ Civil Defence strategy report released

<http://nz.news.yahoo.com/a/-/top-stories/16513714/nz-civil-defence-strategy-report-released/>

Cyber attack on Israel falls short of promised havoc

<http://www.csmonitor.com/World/Middle-East/2013/0408/Cyber-attack-on-Israel-falls-short-of-promised-havoc>

South Sudan ambush kills 5 U.N. peacekeepers, 7 civilians

<http://www.trust.org/alertnet/news/south-sudan-ambush-kills-5-un-peacekeepers-7-civilians/>

A Global Human Trafficking Hotline Is Launching Out of D.C. With Help From Google

http://www.usnews.com/news/blogs/washington-whispers/2013/04/09/a-global-human-trafficking-hotline-is-launching-out-of-dc-with-help-from-google?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

UN Offers Aid to Quake-Stricken Iran

<http://en.ria.ru/world/20130410/180550680/UN-Offers-Aid-to-Quake-Stricken-Iran.html>

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G8 reaches "historic" agreement to end rape as weapon of war

<http://www.trust.org/trustlaw/news/g8-reaches-historic-agreement-to-end-rape-as-weapon-of-war/>

Tepco Says Fukushima Plant Leaked 120 Tons of Radioactive Water

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-04-07/tepcosays-fukushima-plant-leaked-120-tons-of-radioactive-water.html?cmpid=yahoo>

Iran quake kills 30, injures hundreds

http://www.cnn.com/2013/04/09/world/meast/iran-earthquake/index.html?hpt=hp_t2

The Fight to End Pandemics

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/skollworldforum/2013/04/07/the-fight-to-end-pandemics/>

45 dead, 50 injured in India building collapse

http://www.foxnews.com/world/2013/04/04/over-2-dozen-people-die-after-building-collapses-in-india/?cmpid=app_pulse&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Xi promises peaceful, prosperous China helping neighbors

<http://news.yahoo.com/xi-promises-peaceful-prosperous-china-helping-neighbors-061405958--business.html>

Decade-old Mideast peace plan re-emerges

<http://news.yahoo.com/decade-old-mideast-peace-plan-emerges-192334734.html>

Iran heeds Israel's warning of uranium 'red line'

http://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/as-nuclear-talks-stall-iran-still-limits-its-uranium-stockpile/2013/04/08/a7c3aa18-a06b-11e2-82bc-511538ae90a4_story.html?hpid=z5

Egypt's Christian pope blasts Islamist president

<http://news.yahoo.com/egypts-christian-pope-blasts-islamist-president-093908770.html>

Kerry promises steps to help Palestinian economy

<http://news.yahoo.com/kerry-promises-measures-help-palestinian-economy-115412399.html>

Eight steps to climate-proof development in Africa

<http://www.preventionweb.net/english/professional/news/v.php?id=32219&pid:50>

New study: A warming world will further intensify extreme precipitation events

http://www.noaanews.noaa.gov/stories2013/20130403_ncdcextremeprecipitationstudy.html

NY moves toward adopting wind, other green energy

<http://news.yahoo.com/ny-moves-toward-adopting-wind-150002201.html>

Nepal turns to renewable energy

<http://www.irinnews.org/Report/97789/Nepal-turns-to-renewable-energy>

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Will Vertical Turbines Make More of the Wind?

http://www.technologyreview.com/news/513266/will-vertical-turbines-make-more-of-the-wind/?ref=rss&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Breaking Open the Black Box: Increasing Aid Transparency and Accountability in Haiti

<http://www.cepr.net/index.php/publications/reports/breaking-open-the-black-box>

Levees and the National Flood Insurance Program: Improving Policies and Practices

<http://dels.nas.edu/Report/report/18309>

Humanitarianism in the Network Age

<http://www.unocha.org/node/11528>

Emergency Response for People who have Access and Functional Needs: A Guide for First Responders

<http://terrorism.spcollege.edu/SPAWARAFN/index.html>

IS-42: Social Media in Emergency Management

<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/courseOverview.aspx?code=IS-42>

Moving Beyond "Special Needs": A Function Based Framework for Emergency Management and Planning

<http://www.jik.com/KailesEndersbeyond.pdf>

Q&A: UNHCR teams reach out to vulnerable Syrian refugees across Jordan

<http://www.unhcr.org/515c49066.html>

CDC Health Alert Network, Human Infections with Novel Influenza A (H7N9) Viruses

<http://emergency.cdc.gov/HAN/han00344.asp>

U.S. Department of the Interior NewsWave Newsletter

<http://www.doi.gov/pmb/ocean/news/newswave/upload/NewsWaveWinterfinal3-2.pdf>

After bin Laden: Al Qaeda, the Next Generation

http://www.amazon.com/After-bin-Laden-Qaeda-Generation/dp/159558899X/ref=pd_ys_nr_b_52

Social Media 4 Emergency Management, it's A Mental Game

<http://www.sm4em.org/2013/04/its-a-mental-game/>

Mold Prevention Strategies and Possible Health Effects in the Aftermath of Hurricanes and Major Floods

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5508a1.htm>

Getting it right for Indian Country

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DHS Scores Low in Job Satisfaction Report

By Jennifer Scholtes, CQ Staff

The House Homeland Security Committee's top Democrat denounced the Department of Homeland Security's low ranking this week in a report of how satisfied federal workers are with their jobs.

The Partnership for Public Service, a nonprofit that promotes government work, released [a report](#) this month based on data from a survey done by the Office of Personnel Management. DHS got a score of 45.7 for effective leadership, two points lower than its score for 2011 and behind all other large federal entities such as the departments of State, Agriculture and Labor.

"Surely after 10 years since DHS was created," Thompson said, "its employees deserve a workplace that promotes fairness, empowerment and general respect between its employees and senior leaders and supervisors. I welcome the opportunity to work with Secretary Napolitano to help create solutions for these deeply ingrained morale and leadership problems at DHS."

The score on effective leadership was based on how many surveyed employees answered positively to questions such as whether they respect their agency's leaders and whether those leaders maintain high standards of honesty and integrity.

The report noted that "within the lowest scoring agencies, there were some bright spots." The Coast Guard got a score of 61, the highest tally the agency has received for effective leadership.

For years the department has struggled with low employee morale. But Government Accountability Office officials have said the young department has been making headway in trying to remedy that problem.

In January, the Partnership for Public Service compiled a list of the best places to work in the federal government, ranking DHS last. The department was also placed last in categories measuring how employees feel about training and development, as well as how their mission matches with their skills. DHS was ranked second to last in how satisfied workers are with their pay, their supervisors and work-life balance.

DHS Chief Human Capital Officer Catherine V. Emerson told lawmakers last year that she expects employee morale will improve in the coming years, due to the department's efforts to prioritize engagement with employees. The department's "One DHS"

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campaign, Emerson said, aims to improve employee communication and training, as well as emphasize diversity, inclusion and employee recognition.

The Homeland Security panel's chairman, Texas Republican Michael McCaul, said this year, in laying out his goals for the committee, he will prioritize improving morale among DHS employees.

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