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- Researchers identified an ongoing series of cyberattacks targeting defense contractors, supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) security companies, and universities. They believe these attacks are tied to China. – *Threatpost* (See item [5](#))
- Turbulence seriously injured a flight attendant, hurt five other crew members and passengers, and forced a United Airline flight to make an emergency landing at Lake Charles Regional Airport in Louisiana. – *Associated Press* (See item [10](#))
- A fire near a Bay Area Rapid Transit station shut down train service between San Francisco and Oakland June 14, snarling the morning commute as thousands of people had to find other ways to get around. – *Associated Press* (See item [11](#))
- Microsoft and Google warned about a new Internet Explorer zero-day vulnerability being exploited to hack into Gmail accounts. – *ZDNet* (See item [43](#))
- An electrical explosion occurred at the New York Hilton June 13, leaving three people with injuries, and knocking power out for hours. – *New York Daily News* (See item [49](#))
- The week of June 11, the U.S. Forest Service mobilized 8 additional aircraft to ensure an adequate number of airtankers were available for efforts to extinguish 19 active large wildfires in 9 States. – *Summit County Citizens Voice* (See item [54](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *June 12, Dow Jones Newswires* – (California) **Small fire at Calif. refinery had no impact on production.** June 12, Exxon Mobil said a small fire June 11 at its Torrance, California refinery was quickly extinguished by the plant's on-site fire brigade. There was no impact to production, an Exxon Mobil representative said. June 4, Exxon Mobil said several process units at the 149,500-barrels-a-day refinery were being shut for several weeks of planned maintenance. Hydrogen units, a pretreater, and a coker unit are among the units slated for work.
Source: <http://www.foxbusiness.com/news/2012/06/12/exxonmobil-small-fire-at-calif-refinery-had-no-impact-on-production/>

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Chemical Industry Sector

2. *June 14, Reuters* – (Louisiana) **Exxon reports leak from Baton Rouge line.** Exxon Mobil Corp reported a naphtha leak at its Baton Rouge, Louisiana chemical plant June 14, a day after it reported a butane leak from internal piping at the same facility. The company detected and stopped the naphtha leak, which contained benzene, within the refinery's wastewater treatment facility onsite, said an ExxonMobil spokeswoman. Railroad traffic through the plant on the Canadian National Illinois Central railroad was temporarily suspended, she added. The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality earlier said Exxon Mobil secured the bleeder line, and air monitoring at the facility has not shown "anything excessive." The butane release Exxon reported June 13 was also stopped and the company is meeting all contractual commitments, the spokeswoman said.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/06/14/us-pipeline-operations-exxon-idUSBRE85D13V20120614>

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *June 13, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Texas) **U.S. Labor Department’s OSHA cites Progressive Inc., an Arlington, Texas, manufacturing facility, for safety hazards; proposed fines total \$58,000.** The U.S. Department of Labor’s Occupational Safety and Health Administration June 13 cited Progressive Inc. in Arlington, Texas, with 15 safety violations for exposing workers to machine guarding and electrical hazards. Thirteen serious violations were cited, along with two other-than-serious violations. Progressive employs about 150 workers who develop, manufacture, and repair commercial and military aerospace products.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=22539

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

4. *June 14, Bloomberg* – (National) **F-22’s balky vests add clue in mystery of ailing pilots.** A potentially faulty pressure vest is the latest clue in a year-long mystery over why U.S. Air Force pilots flying Lockheed Martin’s F-22 Raptor keep getting dizzy and disoriented. Pilots were instructed to stop using the vest during routine flight operations as the Air Force works on a fix, the service’s Air Combat Command said June 13. The vest, part of a “G suit” used to help pilots avoid blacking out during high-speed maneuvers, “increases the difficulty of pilot breathing under certain circumstances,” according to a statement. Unable to explain episodes of dizziness, the Air Force is looking at everything from hoses, masks, and now G suits, to the coatings and adhesives used in the plane’s radar-absorbing stealth skin. So far, all the engineers and investigators have not found a definitive cause.

Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-06-14/f-22-s-balky-vests-add-clue-in-mystery-of-ailing-pilots.html>

5. *June 13, Threatpost* – (International) **Attacks targeting U.S. defense contractors and universities tied to China.** Researchers identified an ongoing series of cyberattacks

targeting many high-profile organizations, including supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) security companies, universities, and defense contractors. The attacks are using customized malicious files to entice targeted users into opening them and starting the compromise. The campaign is using a series of hacked servers as command-and-control (C&C) points and researchers said the tactics and tools indicate the attackers may be located in China. The first evidence of the campaign was an attack on Digitalbond, a company that provides security services for industrial control systems. The attack begins with a spear-phishing e-mail sent to employees of the targeted company and contains a PDF attachment. In addition to the attack on Digitalbond, researchers found the campaign also hit users at Carnegie Mellon University, Purdue University, and the University of Rhode Island. Also, the Chertoff Group, a government consultant, and NJVC, a government contractor, were targeted. Alienvault identified similarities to the so-called Shady Rat attacks first publicized by McAfee in August 2011. The attackers are not hitting random targets with this campaign but are selecting their targets carefully. “According to the information collected, the targets of these campaigns are somehow related with the US government or US Defense contractors directly, providing different services such as authentication software/hardware, Industrial Control Systems security, or strategic consulting,” a researcher at IOActive wrote in an analysis on the attacks.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/attacks-targeting-us-defense-contractors-and-universities-tied-china-061312

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Banking and Finance Sector

6. *June 1, Miami Herald; WFOR 4 Miami* – (Florida; National) **Officials break up \$13 million, multi-state gift card scam.** Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) officials said 14 people who took part in a complex counterfeit scam involving runners, identity theft, and cigarettes scammed more than \$13 million from one of the world’s largest retailers: Wal-Mart and Sam’s Club, the Miami Herald and WFOR 4 Miami reported June 13. Police busted the ring, which used stolen identities to apply for 23,527 credit cards, which they then used to purchase 56,873 gift cards. They used those cards at the stores to buy cigarettes and other goods to resell. Overall, they cost the companies \$13,029,011.59, according to an arrest warrant. Twelve of the 14 people charged appeared in bond court June 13. U.S. Secret Service agents and the FDLE investigated the ring for about a year. From January 2010 to April 2012, the gift cards were used by 12 small businesses to buy items from Wal-Mart, Sam’s Club and other stores. The businesses fronted themselves as “discount dollar/convenience” stores. Goods purchased with the fake gift cards were then sold at the discount stores across Miami-Dade. Officials found 209 Wal-Mart gift cards in the lining of the suitcase of one of the alleged scammers when he was flying from Manchester Boston Regional Airport to Miami International Airport in 2011. He and another man were released after officials took the cards. Gift cards were bought at stores as far away as Maine.

Source: <http://www.miamiherald.com/2012/06/13/2848349/officials-break-up-13-million.html>

7. *June 13, New York Daily News* – (New York) **‘Burberry Bandit’ collared in bank rob spree after allegedly knocking over Park Ave. bank.** An ex-con was arrested June 12 just hours after he robbed a New York City bank — the 13th heist he has committed since April, police said. Dubbed the “Burberry Bandit” for his fashionable clothing, the bandit would calmly walk into the banks donning designer sunglasses, pass a note to the teller, and flee with cash, police sources said. He never wore the same outfit twice during any of the robberies, they added. He was released from prison just 10 months ago and placed on parole until August 2013, state records indicated. Police arrested him as he walked around the city’s Harlem neighborhood June 12 — a short time after he held up a Chase bank branch in Midtown, police sources said.

Source: <http://www.nydailynews.com/news/crime/burberry-bandit-collared-bank-rob-sprees-allegedly-knocking-park-ave-bank-article-1.1095296?localLinksEnabled=false>

8. *June 13, Dow Jones Newswires* – (California) **FTC halts program for vulnerable homeowners.** The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) said it has halted a “forensic audit” scheme that allegedly targeted consumers in danger of losing their homes and convinced them to pay \$1,995 or more on promises to help them avoid foreclosure and renegotiate their mortgages, Dow Jones Newswires reported June 13. According to the FTC’s complaint, Los Angeles-based Consumer Advocates Group Experts LLC, its owner, and several other companies he controlled charged financially vulnerable homeowners between \$1,995 and \$2,950 to review mortgage-loan documents to determine whether lenders complied with State and federal mortgage lending laws and made allegedly false claims that consumers could use the “forensic audits” to avoid foreclosure and negotiate more favorable terms on their mortgages. The complaint also named Paramount Asset Management Corp. and Advocates for Consumer Affairs Expert LLC as defendants. The FTC’s complaint alleges consumers often did not receive loan modifications or reduced payments and often found out from their lenders that the defendants either never contacted them, or did contact them but failed to follow up. The complaint also claims the defendants routinely failed to answer or return consumers’ telephone calls and e-mails seeking updates on their mortgage modifications, failed to provide refunds to consumers who requested them, and put consumers at risk of losing their homes and damaging their credit ratings. Consumers often learned too late that their houses were being foreclosed upon, according to the complaint.

Source: <http://www.foxbusiness.com/news/2012/06/13/ftc-halts-program-for-vulnerable-homeowners/>

9. *June 13, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (Utah; National) **Promoters of convicted Ponzi scheme operator ordered to pay over \$20 million in disgorgement and civil penalties.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) announced that June 11, the U.S. District Court for the District of Utah granted its motion for final judgment against six men ordering disgorgement and civil penalties totaling more than \$20 million. Previously, the court entered permanent injunctions against the defendants enjoining them from future violations of the federal securities laws. The SEC complaint

alleged the defendants acted as promoters for a Ponzi scheme operator, who is serving a 10-year prison term. The complaint alleged the promoters raised millions of dollars through the unregistered offer and sale of high-yield promissory notes to more than 150 investors in several states. The funds raised were then funneled to the Ponzi operator through one of the men, who used the funds for his personal benefit, misappropriating more than \$8 million.

Source: <http://www.sec.gov/litigation/litreleases/2012/lr22393.htm>

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Transportation Sector

10. *June 14, Associated Press* – (Louisiana) **5 treated for injuries following emergency landing.** A flight attendant remains in serious condition after United Airlines Flight 1632 made an emergency landing at Lake Charles Regional Airport June 12. It was diverted to Lake Charles, Louisiana, after three flight attendants were injured during severe turbulence. The flight was bound for New York City’s LaGuardia Airport from Houston. An airport executive director said three crew members were taken to the hospital when the plane landed, and three passengers were taken to the hospital after the aircraft was emptied. Five of the six were treated for injuries and released, according to a hospital spokesman.
Source: http://www.kfdm.com/template/inews_wire/wires.regional.tx/36459fad-www.kfdm.com.shtml
11. *June 14, Associated Press* – (California) **Fire snarls morning commute in Bay Area.** A fire near a Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) station shut down train service between San Francisco and Oakland June 14, snarling the morning commute as thousands of people scrambled to find other ways to get around. On lines stretching for blocks, several hundreds of commuters waited to catch a bus or ferry boat into San Francisco. BART officials hoped to have limited service by the early afternoon, with full service in place for the evening commute. About 400,000 people take BART trains per weekday, the transit agency said. The shutdown also fouled the commute to the East Bay. The fire broke out at a retirement home that was under construction near the West Oakland BART, according to BART officials. It damaged electrical equipment, but train tracks and the elevated concrete structure supporting them were not damaged. BART officials were concerned about power poles in danger of falling on the tracks. The fire jumped to several other structures and also melted parked cars. The cause of the fire is under investigation, but authorities consider it suspicious.
Source: <http://www.bakersfieldnow.com/news/local/Fire-snarls-morning-commute-in-Bay-Area-159076575.html>
12. *June 13, Mount Shasta Herald* – (California) **18 year old arrested in airplane vandalism.** A man was arrested June 12 in connection with felony plane vandalism at Montague-Yreka Airport in Montague, California, June 11. Siskiyou County sheriff deputies said two planes had been damaged after an initial investigation found that one

of the planes had been started and then crashed into the other plane. Deputies also found two other vandalized planes. A nearby hangar was also entered, leading to investigation of a burglary and theft. The sheriff's office report said initial damage estimates are approximately \$250,000. The man was jailed and charged with taking an aircraft without consent, vandalism, and burglary.

Source: <http://www.mtshastanews.com/news/x1462881017/18-year-old-arrested-in-airplane-vandalism>

13. *June 12, Indianapolis Star* – (Indiana) **I-74 reopens after crash closes road 5 hours.** Police cleared a crash that shut down I-74 near Jamestown, Indiana, for about 5 hours. The accident, which involved an overturned semi that leaked fuel, happened on westbound I-74 at mile marker 47. The driver told police he over-corrected and flipped. The crash closed all lanes of westbound I-74 between Ind. 75 and the Boone-Montgomery County line.

Source: <http://www.indystar.com/article/20120612/NEWS/120612014/I-74-reopens-after-crash-closes-5-hours?odyssey=obinsite>

14. *June 12, Fresno Bee* – (California) **Fresno County deputy's car kills pedestrian.** A woman was struck and killed by a Fresno County sheriff's deputy's cruiser June 11, the California Highway Patrol said. The accident occurred on Highway 145, about 5 miles east of Interstate 5, and shut down the highway for 8 hours between Oakland Avenue and Interstate 5.

Source: <http://www.fresnobee.com/2012/06/12/2870211/fresno-county-deputys-car-kills.html>

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Postal and Shipping Sector

15. *June 14, KHOU 11 Houston* – (Texas) **Sodium hydroxide leaks from FedEx truck on Katy Freeway.** Part of the Katy Freeway in Houston outbound was shut down June 14 after a chemical leak from an 18-wheeler, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety. A FedEx 18-wheeler was traveling westbound on the freeway when the driver noticed something spraying from the back of the trailer. The driver pulled over to investigate. A 55-gallon drum that was supposed to be delivered to San Antonio was busted and leaking sodium hydroxide, according to state troopers. The drum was in the middle of the trailer, so dozens of other packages surrounding it were damaged. HAZMAT crews were called to the scene because the chemical was extremely dangerous and corrosive. The Katy Fire Department also came out and managed to stop the leak from spreading into other lanes. The eastbound lanes were not affected.

Source: <http://www.khou.com/news/local/Sodium-Hydroxide-leaks-from-FedEx-truck-on-Katy-Freeway-159037325.html>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

16. *June 14, Reading Eagle* – (Pennsylvania) **4-alarm fire destroys Maxatawny barn.** A four-alarm fire at a Maxatawny Township, Pennsylvania dairy farm June 13 destroyed a barn, damaged a silo, and killed two cows. Three firefighters also suffered minor injuries in the fire. An electrical malfunction caused the fire, the Kutztown Fire Company chief said. He estimated damage at about \$110,000. The fire destroyed a 100-foot-by-50-foot barn and spread to one of four nearby silos. The property borders the Rodale Institute, an agricultural research center. Tanker trucks pumped water out of one of Rodale's irrigation ponds and shuttled it to the fire. Fire officials had to call in a specialist for the silo fire. About 100 firefighters from the Kutztown area and surrounding departments also responded.
Source: <http://readingeagle.com/article.aspx?id=392791>
17. *June 14, WCPO 9 Cincinnati* – (Kentucky) **Ammonia leak prompts Florence plant evacuation.** Emergency crews evacuated a Florence, Kentucky plant after an ammonia leak June 14. Officials said there was an ammonia leak at Schwan's Pizza Factory. The building was shut down and more than 100 employees were evacuated after several complained they were feeling ill. Exposure to ammonia can cause eyes to burn and can be deadly if too much is inhaled. Officials said the gas leak came from a refrigeration unit inside one of the buildings. Medics were on the scene working to treat those who are not feeling well. Emergency crews set up large fans inside the plant to blow out all of the ammonia gas. The Schwan plant in Florence produces rising-crust and pizzeria-style pizzas under their Red Baron and Freschetta pizza lines, according to the company's Web site.
Source: http://www.wcpo.com/dpp/news/region_northern_kentucky/florence/ammonia-leak-prompts-florence-plant-evacuation
18. *June 13, Drovers CattleNetwork* – (National) **Corn crop off to a dry start, but strengthening El Nino may help.** An early and unusually warm spring has morphed into a dry start for the 2012 corn and soybean crops, and the National Drought Monitor has shown progressively deteriorating conditions across much of the United States, Drovers CattleNetwork reported June 13. However, meteorologists believe conditions could improve for the U.S. Corn Belt over the next 2 weeks. They said the jet stream pattern suggest a favorable shift toward wetter conditions. Recent reports, however, show how quickly the crop is declining. The U.S. Department of Agriculture reported 66 percent of the U.S. corn crop was rated good or excellent in the week of June 4, a decline from 72 percent earning those ratings the previous week and 77 percent 2 weeks ago. Meteorologists also believe the strengthening El Nino in the Pacific Ocean could ease dry conditions in the United States.
Source: <http://www.agprofessional.com/news/Corn-Belt-dry-but-strengthening-El-Nino-may-help--158629985.html>
19. *June 13, U.S. Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Service* – (National) **California firm recalls raw stuffed chicken product due to misbranding**

and undeclared allergens. Antonelli's and Sons, a south San Francisco establishment, recalled approximately 3,534 pounds of a raw stuffed chicken product because of misbranding and undeclared ingredients, including known allergens, the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) reported June 13. The product may contain the following undeclared ingredients: milk, soy, and monosodium glutamate, which are not noted on the label. The product subject to recall is: Approximately 1-pound trays of "TRADER JOE'S CRANBERRY APPLE STUFFED CHICKEN BREAST." The product was packaged between June 1-11 and was distributed to retail establishments in Arizona, California, Oregon, and Washington State. The problem was discovered by FSIS personnel during a label review and may have occurred as a result of a change in an ingredient used in the product.

Source:

http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News_&_Events/Recall_040_2012_Release/index.asp

20. *June 13, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* – (Wisconsin) **Emerald ash borer spreads to Lake Geneva.** Emerald ash borer was discovered in two locations in Walworth County, Wisconsin, including downtown Lake Geneva, State officials announced June 13. The discovery means the invasive, destructive pest has moved 30 miles west from its nearest known location in Wisconsin in Kenosha County. The department of agriculture, trade, and consumer protection said evidence of the pest was found in a private woodlot along the Wisconsin-Illinois border. The first case near the Wisconsin-Illinois line came after Illinois authorities, following a new line of infestation, believed they had crossed the border and were still seeing infested trees in Wisconsin, said a spokesman for the agriculture department. He said Wisconsin authorities will look for possible infestations in Rock County to the west. Walworth County will soon be placed in quarantine. State quarantines currently exist in Brown, Crawford, Fond du Lac, Kenosha, La Crosse, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Sheboygan, Vernon, Washington, and Waukesha counties.

Source: <http://www.jsonline.com/news/wisconsin/ash14-fu5p3lp-158942275.html>

21. *June 13, Texas A&M University* – (Texas) **Worry about grasshoppers and honeybees.** The drought in 2011 is the most likely reason producers in Texas and some other southwest areas are seeing more grasshoppers and fewer honeybees in 2012, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension service expert, Texas A&M University reported June 13. High grasshopper populations are tied to hot, dry weather for many reasons, said an associate department head and AgriLife Extension program leader for entomology. Officials noted the grasshopper hatch came early in 2012 because of the relatively warm spring. There have also been regional reports of poor honeybee honey production and low brood numbers despite many areas having good flower blooms.

Source: <http://www.agprofessional.com/news/Worry-about-grasshoppers-and-honeybees-158614595.html>

22. *June 13, Agri-view* – (National) **New foot-and-mouth disease vaccine gets licensed for use on cattle.** DHS announced recently the world's first molecular foot-and-mouth (FMD) vaccine was granted conditional license for use in cattle by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's Center for Veterinary Biologics, Agri-View reported June 13. Developed at DHS's Science and

Technology Directorate Plum Island Animal Disease Center (PIADC), this is the first licensed FMD vaccine that can be manufactured on the U.S. mainland. It does not require expensive, high-containment facilities because it does not use the infectious materials of the live FMD virus. DHS PIADC is working with the animal health vaccine manufacturer Merial to review the production process.

Source: http://www.agrview.com/briefs/livestock/new-foot-and-mouth-disease-vaccine-gets-licensed-for-use/article_617ea396-b566-11e1-8d2f-0019bb2963f4.html

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Water Sector

23. *June 14, Asheville Citizen-Times* – (North Carolina) **Contaminated wells cause \$30,000 loss for Marshall.** Two water wells were capped and deemed unusable after Marshall, North Carolina officials detected high levels of groundwater contamination at the sites, the Asheville Citizen-Times reported June 14. Test results yielded high levels of trichloroethylene (TCE) in the wells. Officials hoped to tie those to the water system to end a development moratorium. The town spent roughly \$30,000 in grant money to drill and test the failed wells. By Environmental Protection Agency standards, the maximum health levels for TCE is 5 micrograms per liter of water. One of the sites tested in March recorded 32.3 micrograms per liter, the other 34.8 micrograms per liter. A second test in May showed a drastic increase with the second site, testing at more than 74 micrograms per liter. According to officials, the TCE findings will be reported to the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources for further review.

Source: <http://www.citizen-times.com/article/20120614/NEWS/306140036/Contaminated-wells-cause-30-000-loss-Marshall?odyssey=tab|topnews|text|Frontpage>

24. *June 14, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (Virginia) **Culpeper, Va. settles alleged environmental violations at water treatment facility.** Culpeper, Virginia, will pay a \$27,420 penalty and make more than \$100,000 in upgrades at its water treatment facility to settle alleged environmental violations at the town's water treatment facilities, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced June 14. According to a consent agreement, the town did not immediately notify the EPA's National Response Center as required following an incident in May 2008 when about 106 pounds of chlorine were released into the atmosphere from Culpeper's Water Pollution Control Facility. In addition, the town did not notify the State and did not provide the State or local emergency planning committee with written follow-up reports. The EPA also identified other environmental violations during a risk management program inspection at the water treatment facility including failure to develop a management system to oversee a risk management program, failure to implement safe work practices to maintain equipment, and failure to conduct compliance audits.

Source:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/07F6EE7C4CF2DD8585257A1D004CCE51>

25. *June 14, Tuscaloosa News* – (Alabama) **Uniontown needs \$4.4M to overhaul water plant.** Uniontown, Alabama’s wastewater treatment plant has had an ongoing problem since at least 2005, spilling raw sewage into nearby bodies of water often, Tuscaloosa News reported June 14. The current sewage treatment plant is not equipped to handle the capacity of sewage that needs to be treated. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Uniontown needs \$4.4 million to overhaul the plant. On average, Uniontown residents produce about 4.6 million gallons of wastewater per month while 24 businesses in the town consume about 7.25 million gallons a month, the bulk of the usage coming from the prison, the Alabama Catfish Feed Mill, and the Harvest Select catfish processing plant, according to the city. Upgrades include sewer line repairs, work on the plant, and the purchase of 40 acres to serve as a second spray field for treated wastewater. Construction is expected to take about 18 months, officials said. Water and sewer rates recently doubled for residents and businesses and finding necessary funding will not be easy.

Source:

<http://www.tuscaloosaneews.com/article/20120614/NEWS/120619909/1007/news?p=2&tc=pg>

26. *June 14, Reading Eagle* – (Pennsylvania) **EPA reassesses site contaminant.** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) officials proposed installing special ventilation systems in 11 more homes near the Crossley Farm Superfund Site in Hereford Township, Pennsylvania, the Reading Eagle reported June 14. After a reassessment of the toxicity of a carcinogen contaminating the area’s groundwater in fall 2011, the EPA concluded the contaminant, trichloroethylene (TCE), is 10 times more toxic than officials originally believed. The standard for safe air levels was lowered to 2 micrograms per cubic meter from 20. With the new standard, 13 homes in the township required remediation of TCE, according to EPA officials. Experts said the airborne TCE is evaporating out of groundwater where TCE levels are 140,000 times the acceptable limit for drinking water. EPA measures the vapor levels from soils beneath homes likely to be affected. Mitigation systems will be installed at no cost, but residents will have to pay related electric costs of \$5 to \$15 per month. According to the EPA Web site, TCE levels as high as 700,000 micrograms per liter have been measured in the groundwater. The remedial project manager for the EPA has said it could take 30 years to clean the groundwater, which is being pumped to the surface and decontaminated.

Source: <http://readingeagle.com/article.aspx?id=392781>

27. *June 13, Hawaii News Now* – (Hawaii) **Waikiki sewer project nearing completion.** June 13, the mayor of Honolulu announced the Beachwalk Force Main sewer project in Waikiki, Hawaii, is near completion. The portion of the new permanent force main that connects the Beachwalk Wastewater Pump Station to the temporary bypass line on the mauka side of the Ala Wai Canal was completed and two smaller 28-inch temporary pipes will be floated to the canal’s surface and removed the week of June 11. The two pipes were installed following a huge 2006 sewage spill. The

installation of 5,800 feet of new, 72-inch diameter pipe to the Moana Park Wastewater Pump Station should be completed by early 2013. Once the entire \$46 million project is done, two systems will take wastewater from Waikiki: the existing 48-inch diameter pipe beneath Ala Wai Boulevard; and the new 72-inch diameter pipe beneath Ala Wai Park. The city also began a separate project to rehabilitate 6,000 feet of sewer lines along Kuhio Avenue. The \$5.7 million project should be completed in the summer of 2013.

Source: <http://waikiki.hawaiinewsnow.com/news/news/96878-waikiki-sewer-project-nearing-completion>

28. *June 13, Associated Press* – (Florida) **EPA gives OK to \$880M Everglades clean-up plan.** An \$880 million, 12-year plan to improve water quality in the Everglades in Florida was approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) June 13. The Everglades are a key water source for millions of south Floridians, but have been damaged for decades by farms and development. Dikes, dams, and canals were cut, effectively draining much of the swamp and polluting it with fertilizers and urban runoff. The project approval outlines a specific action for the construction of stormwater treatment areas and permits for the operation of tens of thousands of acres of already built ones. It will also create new water storage areas. All of it is an effort to filter phosphorous, which comes from fertilizer and promotes the growth of unhealthy vegetation that chokes plants. Backers of projects to restore the ecosystem have emphasized the financial impact.

Source: <http://www.chron.com/news/article/EPA-gives-OK-to-880M-Everglades-clean-up-plan-3630960.php>

29. *June 13, WPVI 6 Philadelphia* – (Delaware) **Water main break causes problems in Del.** A 24-inch water main break in Wilmington, Delaware, caused problems for customers June 13. Officials said customers in the city and those in New Castle County could expect to experience low water pressure. They asked people to conserve water for 2 days as public works crews fix the water main.

Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/wpvi/story?section=news/local&id=8700205&rss=rss-wpvi-article-8700205>

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

30. *June 14, WFTS 29 Tampa* – (Florida) **Medical records of more than 1,400 patients stolen from Winter Haven clinic.** Medical records containing personal, financial, and medical information, including Social Security numbers, addresses, diagnosis, and insurance information, of more than 1,400 patients at a Winter Haven, Florida clinic were stolen, the clinic announced June 12. The Gessler Clinic said all patients who had their information stolen will be notified during the week of June 11. Due to the risk of identity theft, the clinic is offering affected patients one year of free credit monitoring service. The Gessler Clinic also set up a hotline to assist affected patients.

Source: http://www.abcactionnews.com/dpp/news/region_polk/winter_haven/medical-records-of-more-than-1400-patients-stolen-from-winter-haven-clinic

31. *June 13, Suffolk News-Herald* – (Virginia) **Dryer fire sparks evacuation at nursing home.** Elderly residents and staff at Bon Secours-Maryview Nursing Center in Suffolk, Virginia, were evacuated when an industrial dryer caught fire June 13, according to a city of Suffolk press release. Four engines, a ladder truck, a rehab bus, two medic units, Engine 9 from the Chuckatuck Volunteer Fire Department, and a mass casualty bus all responded. “The fire was contained to the area of origin in an industrial dryer and was quickly brought under control by firefighters,” the release continued. “Heavy smoke was experienced throughout the maintenance wing of the facility, resulting in the evacuation of 120 patients and 135 staff members.” The facility was ventilated and all evacuees were allowed back in after about 22 minutes, according to the release. The fire is under investigation by the Suffolk Fire Marshall’s Office.
Source: <http://www.suffolknews herald.com/2012/06/13/dryer-fire-sparks-evacuation-at-nursing-home/>
32. *June 13, Dothan Eagle* – (Alabama) **Troy woman charged in ID theft of 800 people.** Federal agents recently arrested a Troy, Alabama woman on felony charges for allegedly stealing the identities of 800 people while working at the Troy Regional Medical Center as part of a government tax fraud scheme. According to a U.S. attorney’s office statement, the woman allegedly used her position at the hospital to obtain more than 800 names, Social Security numbers, and dates of birth of patients. She then allegedly sold the identities to another person, who used them to prepare fake tax returns that were filed with the Internal Revenue Service. From those fraudulently prepared tax returns, the woman and others allegedly received fraudulent tax refunds. The statement said conspirators used automated teller machines to get the refunds from prepaid debit cards. The indictment alleges the woman would receive \$1,500 for every 100 names she sold. Some of the charges allege she exceeded her authorized access to the computer system at the hospital, and by doing so furthered the identity theft. Some of the other charges allege computer fraud involving the identification of other people.
Source: <http://www2.dothaneagle.com/news/2012/jun/13/troy-woman-charged-id-theft-800-people-ar-3967771/>

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Government Facilities Sector

33. *June 14, Reading Eagle* – (Pennsylvania) **Security breach exposes student data.** The personal information of all students in the Fleetwood School District was stolen and posted online, district officials and Fleetwood, Pennsylvania police said June 13. The security breach was discovered by parents of students in the district who notified school officials June 12. The school contacted police and the Web site Wikispaces where it was posted, and had it removed within hours, the superintendent said. The stolen data included the name, date of birth, school identification number, address, parents’ names, teacher’s name, and grade level of each of the 2,700 or so students. The superintendent said the data was taken electronically from the school’s computer system, either by a virus, someone with a password, or someone hacking into the system.
Source: <http://readingeagle.com/article.aspx?id=392801>

34. *June 13, Associated Press* – (New York) **School sulfuric acid stunt sends 20 to hospital.** Police said a bottle of sulfuric acid opened as it was being tossed around a junior high classroom in East Fishkill, New York, spewing the corrosive liquid and sending 20 people to the hospital with minor injuries. An East Fishkill police lieutenant said two students were apparently playing with the 4-ounce bottle when it was either opened or loosened and sprayed around the room at Van Wyck Junior High. He said 18 students and 2 staffers were taken for treatment. Four of the students were hit in the eyes, but most had droplets on their skin or clothing. Hazardous materials crews cleaned up the spill.
Source: <http://www.timesunion.com/news/article/School-sulfuric-acid-stunt-sends-20-to-hospital-3632566.php>
35. *June 13, Boulder Daily Camera* – (Colorado) **Audit of CU’s web security reveals risks.** An audit of the University of Colorado’s (CU) Web security revealed some high-level risks, according to a report given to a board of regents committee June 13. The audit was initiated by CU to check whether its Web applications were properly protected from hackers mining for personnel data or looking to steal intellectual property. It evaluated CU’s departmental Web sites and the system portal. CU’s internal audit office hired a security consultant to carry out a vulnerability test. Regents were told that several vulnerabilities were found including 2 that were high risk, 6 that were medium risk, and 11 classified as low-risk. The consultants reported to CU that a lack of security awareness and training among employees likely led to the vulnerabilities. In some cases, too much data was made available on the Internet. “Management agreed with all of the findings and is developing an action plan that will be finished by the end of this year,” said the director of internal audit.
Source: http://www.dailycamera.com/cu-news/ci_20851599/audit-cus-web-security-reveals-risks
36. *June 13, KOIN 6 Portland; Associated Press* – (Oregon) **Salem-court clerk reports bomb threat.** Marion County courts in Oregon were back in session after a bomb threat June 13. Marion County deputies secured and searched “all of the Marion County Court buildings,” according to the Marion County Sheriff’s Office. This followed what the sheriff’s office is calling “an anonymous bomb threat.” The call reportedly was received by a clerk in Salem’s Marion County Court Annex. The annex was evacuated and searched. The main courthouse in Salem remained open. However, it underwent “direct scrutiny” from the sheriff’s office judicial security unit. “A total of 15 deputies were involved in the search of both facilities,” a Salem newspaper reported. “As an extra precaution, two juvenile department courtrooms were also searched.”
Source: <http://www.koinlocal6.com/news/local/story/Marion-Co-courthouse-bomb-threat/umJ06TERfEOMqpPcu3yUXA.csp>

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Emergency Services Sector

37. *June 14, WOUB 20 Athens* – (Kentucky; Ohio; West Virginia) **States participate in terrorism attack drill.** Agencies in Ohio, West Virginia, and Kentucky tested their preparedness for a terrorism attack or disaster in a multi-State drill June 13. Ten agencies along the Ohio River participated in the drill. The Wood County West Virginia sheriff said the exercise was useful because his county has a number of factors to consider in a disaster or attack, such as the Ohio River, bridges, and chemical plants. The drill used helicopters and the Wood County 9-1-1 Mobile Command Unit. The Federal Bureau of Investigation, Parkersburg Police Department, DHS, and the West Virginia Department of Transportation also took part.
Source: <http://woub.org/2012/06/14/states-participate-terrorism-attack-drill>

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Information Technology Sector

38. *June 14, H Security* – (International) **Ruby on Rails patches more SQL injection holes.** Further security problems were found in the Ruby on Rails Web framework following the release of updates that addressed two critical vulnerabilities less than 2 weeks ago, H Security reported June 14. The new security holes are in the same areas of the framework’s database layer Active Record and in its query generation. The vulnerabilities could allow hackers to access confidential data from the database tables without authorization. The developers again released updated versions of Ruby on Rails — 3.2.6, 3.1.6, and 3.0.14 — and asked all affected users to update their Rails installations. For users who cannot update to the latest supported versions of Rails, the developers issued patches for both security vulnerabilities. In the case of the Active Record vulnerability, fixes were issued for versions 2.3.x and 3.x of Ruby on Rails. The unsafe query generation problem was fixed in the 3.x series of Rails. Version 2.3.x and 3.0.x of Rails are now unsupported and it is recommended that users running these older, unsupported versions update to supported versions because the availability of patches for future security issues is not guaranteed.
Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Ruby-on-Rails-patches-more-SQL-injection-holes-1617650.html>
39. *June 14, IDG News Service* – (International) **Facebook, Twitter, Google, AOL join alliance to fight ‘bad ads’.** Facebook, Google, Twitter, and AOL joined an alliance set up to counter “bad ads,” including those that deliver malware, direct users to scams, or try to sell counterfeit goods, said StopBadware, the promoters of the alliance. The Ads Integrity Alliance was launched June 14 and has the Interactive Advertising Bureau in New York also as a charter member. Since 2006, StopBadware enabled many Web sites, service providers, and software providers to share real-time data to warn users and significantly eliminate malware, Google’s global public policy manager said. StopBadware hosts the Badware Website Clearinghouse that lists Web sites identified and examined by partners such as Google as containing or linking to malware and related software, which the organization calls “badware.” The alliance outlined general plans to develop and share definitions, industry policy recommendations, and best

practices. It also plans to share information about “bad actors,” and share relevant trends with policymakers and law enforcement agencies.

Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9228098/Facebook_Twitter_Google_AOL_join_alliance_to_fight_39_bad_ads_39

40. *June 14, Softpedia* – (International) **Memory corruption vulnerability in Firefox 13.** A security researcher identified a memory corruption vulnerability in Firefox 13, the latest variant of Mozilla’s Web browser. To demonstrate his findings, the expert made available a working proof-of-concept. He told Softpedia that Mozilla confirmed the existence of the vulnerability and plans to fix it in upcoming versions. In the proof-of-concept, the researcher shows that by launching the specially crafted HTML file the vulnerability would be triggered, causing a denial-of-service state. In practice, an attacker would have to host a Web site that contains the malicious Web page. Then, with e-mails or instant messages, he/she could lure potential victims to the Web site. Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/VIDEO-POC-Memory-Corruption-Vulnerability-in-Firefox-13-275677.shtml>
41. *June 14, Computerworld* – (International) **Apple hustles, patches Java bugs same day as Oracle.** June 11, Apple released a Java update for OS X on the same day Oracle patched the vulnerabilities for Windows and other operating systems. Apple issued separate updates for OS X 10.7, aka Lion, and OS X 10.6, or Snow Leopard, that quashed 11 bugs in each edition. Oracle, which maintains Java for Windows, Linux, and Solaris, shipped its update to patch 14 vulnerabilities. Of the three bugs Oracle fixed but Apple did not, two applied solely to non-Apple operating systems, Solaris, and Linux. It was unclear why the third was not included in Apple’s version. The same-day patching was unprecedented: Apple, still responsible for Java security updates for Lion and Snow Leopard, typically lags behind Oracle by weeks or months. That practice turned disastrous earlier in 2012 when Apple’s Java update lagged behind Oracle’s by 7 weeks. Hackers quickly infected an estimated 600,000 Macs with the Flashback malware by exploiting a Java bug that Oracle patched but Apple did not. Source: http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9228109/Apple_hustles_patches_Java_bugs_same_day_as_Oracle
42. *June 13, Federal News Radio* – (International) **TSP executive director gives update on data breach.** It has been nearly 3 weeks since the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) board announced a data breach of 123,000 TSP accounts, and since then, the board has been fielding questions from participants, Congress, and the media. One of the most common questions: Is my account safe? If a participant did not receive a letter from the TSP board, their account is not affected by the breach, said the executive director of the TSP. In July 2011, a breach at a TSP contractor — Serco, Inc. — compromised the data of 123,000 accounts. Most of the data accessed included Social Security numbers only. However, of those 123,000, about 43,000 participants had their names, addresses, Social Security numbers and other information — possibly bank routing numbers — also compromised.

Source: <http://www.federalnewsradio.com/180/2901150/TSP-executive-director-gives-update-on-data-breach>

43. *June 13, ZDNet* – (International) **‘State-sponsored attackers’ using IE zero-day to hijack Gmail accounts.** Microsoft and Google warned about a new Internet Explorer (IE) zero-day vulnerability being exploited to hack into Gmail accounts. The browser flaw, which is currently unpatched, exposes Windows users to remote code execution attacks with little or no user action (drive-by downloads if an IE user visits a rigged site). Microsoft’s advisory speaks of “active attacks” and follows a separate note from Google that references the IE flaw “being actively exploited in the wild for targeted attacks.” A source close to the investigations confirms these attacks prompted Google’s recent decision to warn Gmail users about “state-sponsored attackers.” Internet Explorer users should know this vulnerability is different from another under-attack issue fixed June 12 with the MS12-037 bulletin.
Source: <http://www.zdnet.com/blog/security/state-sponsored-attackers-using-ie-zero-day-to-hijack-gmail-accounts/12462>

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Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <https://www.it-isac.org>

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Communications Sector

44. *June 13, WDIO 10 Duluth* – (Minnesota) **Massive Internet outages across Minnesota.** Customers of Frontier Communications were facing massive Internet outages June 13 across almost the entirety of Minnesota. Frontier Communications said a cut in a fiber line affected DSL and high-speed Internet access for customers living in six different telephone area codes including: 218, 763, 320, 507, 952, and 651. A Frontier representative could not say exactly where the fiber line had been cut or how many people had been affected. Frontier expected the problem to be fixed within 24 hours.
Source: <http://www.wdio.com/article/stories/S2655360.shtml?cat=10349>
45. *June 13, Gainesville Sun* – (Florida) **Gainesville customers of Verizon and GRUCom reported service outages on Wednesday.** A widespread outage in Gainesville, Florida, took out phone, data, and Internet service for at least two carriers June 13, but by mid-evening the problems appeared to be resolved. Customers of Verizon and GRUCom reported service outages. Officials from both companies said the problem — likely an equipment failure — was not on their end. “For us, it’s affecting all business customers of GRUCom — telecom, data, Internet — and cell companies that run

through our towers,” a spokeswoman with Gainesville Regional Utilities said. A Verizon spokesman said he heard from maintenance crews that the problem resided with a third-party vendor for landline connections. For several hours, the ability to connect with the Internet via Verizon smartphones was spotty, as was the ability to simply make phone calls. Local government Web sites also were down. However, by 8 p.m., Internet service appeared to be back to normal locally on Verizon smartphones, and the ability to access Web sites had returned.

Source: <http://www.gainesville.com/article/20120613/ARTICLES/120619828>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

46. *June 14, Reuters* – (Texas) **Northern Texas battered by hail storms.** Several strong thunderstorms cut a swath through north Texas June 13, with baseball-sized hail smashing everything from car windshields to the marquee of a landmark east Dallas movie theater. A storm in Fannin County flipped over a mobile home, injuring three people, according to a National Weather Service report. No serious injuries were reported, but property damage was extensive. Several glass sculptures that were on display outdoors at the Dallas Arboretum suffered minor damage, WFAA 8 Dallas-Fort Worth reported. The storms also shredded trees and blanketed streets with downed limbs and leaves. About 6,000 homes and businesses lost power during the storms. “This was definitely a multimillion-dollar hail storm,” a meteorologist with the National Weather Service said. “A lot of car windshields were blown out and roofs damaged in Dallas.”

Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/sns-rt-usa-texasstorms1e8he1x8-20120614,0,2186846.story>

47. *June 14, Associated Press* – (International) **Briton accused of hacking Fox, PBS websites.** A British national suspected of links to the hacking group Lulz Security was accused of cracking into Web sites for a Fox reality TV show, a venerable news show, and other sites to deface them or steal personal information, federal prosecutors said June 13. A U.S. federal grand jury indicted the man on conspiracy and hacking charges for allegedly hacking sites for the talent competition “The X-Factor,” the site for “PBS NewsHour,” Sony Pictures, and others. The indictment alleges the man and his co-conspirators would identify security vulnerabilities in companies’ computer systems and use them to gain unauthorized access and, often, cause mayhem. In a separate and similar case filed against the man in the United Kingdom in 2011, he faces allegations that he and others hacked a law enforcement agency, the Serious Organized Crime Agency, and various British music sites.

Source:

http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/U/US_BRITON_HACKING_CHARGES?SITE=AP&SECTION=HOME&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT&CTIME=2012-06-13-22-12-16

48. *June 14, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Investigation continues into south L.A. blast that killed 1, injured 3.** Authorities were continuing their investigation June 14 into the cause of an explosion that killed one person and injured three others in a south Los Angeles building June 13. The blast tore through a business by a small market, according to Los Angeles Fire Department officials. Four people were injured in the blast — two critically — and one of the victims later died, they said. The business, which had no apparent sign and was tucked behind the market, stored nitrous oxide cylinders used to power mini-bikes and go-carts, said a law enforcement source familiar with the investigation. Investigators were unsure what caused the explosion but were probing whether a worker was filling a cylinder when it blew up. Firefighters found cylinders in the establishment, but declined to say what caused the explosion. Source: <http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/lanow/2012/06/south-la-explosion-investigation-continues.html>
49. *June 13, New York Daily News* – (New York) **Hilton hotel hit by electrical explosion that hurts three people.** An electrical explosion occurred at the New York Hilton in New York City June 13, leaving three people with injuries and knocking power out for hours, officials said. Two workers tending to an electrical panel in the basement of the hotel were hurt in the blast. One man was treated at the scene for a head injury and the other was taken to a hospital for minor burns to his hands. When the power cut off, a total of nine people were stuck in two elevator cars for nearly 30 minutes, officials said. Con Edison crews worked into the evening hours to restore power, a hotel spokesman said, while a generator provided limited lighting to the 46-story building. The hotel, with 1,981 rooms, was at full capacity. After 5 hours, elevators were restored up to the 34th floor. About 9 hours after the explosion, power was back on in all floors. Source: <http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/hilton-hotel-hit-electrical-explosion-hurts-people-article-1.1095294>
50. *June 13, WTXF 29 Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **Underground fire prompts Darby evacuations.** An underground wire in a transformer caught on fire in Darby, Pennsylvania, June 13, sending fumes spewing into the air and into nearby buildings. Seventy people were displaced from the area, mostly from businesses and one apartment building. The fire started underground sending dangerous levels of carbon dioxide into the air. Electricity was expected to be restored the morning of June 14 when crews finished repairing the line. Source: <http://www.myfoxphilly.com/story/18779487/underground-fire-prompts-darby-evacuations>
51. *June 13, Associated Press* – (Michigan) **Suspicious fire at 3-story Detroit apartment injures 3 firefighters; gasoline found in jugs.** Detroit investigators said they believe arson was responsible for a fire at a three-story apartment building that left three firefighters injured June 13. The firefighters were hurt when a stairway collapsed. The Detroit News said arson investigators believed someone set the blaze. A fire captain said that investigators found four 1-gallon jugs filled with what appeared to be gasoline. Source:

<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/28b2accb2c9c4b21ad6c3595470b444f/MI--Firefighters-Hurt-Detroit>

52. *June 13, Fort Worth Star-Telegram* – (Texas) **Chemical spill shuts down Industrial Blvd. in Colleyville.** Industrial Boulevard in Colleyville, Texas, was shut down June 13 when 275 gallons of sulfuric acid spilled from a self-storage facility. A hazardous materials team used clay to absorb the acid and contain the spill that occurred inside Metroplex Self Storage. Some of the chemical spilled onto the roadway and a small amount leaked into a storm drain, officials said. They said a damaged valve was to blame for the sulfuric acid spill, which had 93 percent concentration. The acid is used to treat water. The road was still closed in the early evening. Officials said it would remain closed until clean-up was complete. One man was transported to a hospital for chemical burns on his hands and feet. Earlier news reports said two office buildings near the storage facility were evacuated, however, fire department officials said those businesses just closed early. Officials said the chemical posed no threat to nearby residents.
Source: <http://www.star-telegram.com/2012/06/13/4030122/chemical-spill-shuts-down-industrial.html>
53. *June 13, Associated Press* – (Oregon) **Salem apartment fire injures at least 5, leaves 25 homeless.** A Salem, Oregon fire official said an apartment building fire injured at least five people June 12. Some were being treated for smoke inhalation while others suffered fractures after jumping from the second floor. The fire official said it appeared the fire started in the lower units before spreading upward. The Red Cross said the organization opened a shelter to assist 15 families and 25 people displaced by the fire. Several nearby streets were temporarily closed as crews attacked the fire.
Source: <http://news.opb.org/article/salem-apartment-fire-injures-least-5-leaves-25-homeless/>

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

54. *June 14, Summit County Citizens Voice* – (National) **Feds scrambling for more wildfire air resources.** The week of June 11, the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) said it mobilized eight additional aircraft to ensure that an adequate number of airtankers were available for wildland firefighting efforts. With these additional airtankers, the USFS has 16 large airtankers, and one very large tanker available immediately for wildfire suppression. The USFS can mobilize an additional 11 large airtankers, should circumstances require it. Additionally, it and the Department of the Interior fire agencies can mobilize hundreds of helicopters and dozens of smaller aircraft, called “single-engine airtankers.” The U.S. President authorized the USFS to expedite its acquisition of at least seven next-generation large air tankers via Senate Bill 3261, which passed the U.S. Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives the week of June 4. As of June 13, 19 active large fires were burning in 9 States, including one of the

largest wildfires in New Mexico history, and one of the largest wildfires on record in Colorado. While extremely serious fires were burning in several States, the season was considered below average, meaning that additional resources remained available if needed.

Source: <http://summitcountyvoice.com/2012/06/14/feds-scrambling-for-more-wildfire-air-resources/>

55. *June 14, KIVI 6 Boise* – (Idaho) **Massive wildfire growing near Murphy.** The Con Shea Fire was at 8,000 acres and growing as of June 13. The fire was located 4 to 4.5 miles north of Murphy, Idaho. The Sawtooth Forest Service, Boise Forest Service, and numerous volunteer fire departments are helping fight the fire. The fire was not at all contained and was actively growing at the North point. No structures were threatened and the fire was moving away from Murphy.
Source: <http://www.kivitv.com/news/local/159048595.html>
56. *June 14, Denver Post* – (Colorado) **Colorado wildfire now over 49,000 acres, containment at 10 percent.** The High Park fire in Larimer County, Colorado, burned 49,763 acres, and the wildfire remained only at 10 percent containment as of June 14, fire officials said. Fire command had more than 1,300 personnel battling the fire centered about 15 miles northwest of Fort Collins. As of late June 13, the cost of fighting the fire was estimated at \$4.2 million, the U.S. Forest Service said. Fire officials confirmed 31 structures burned. Residents of the Bonner Peaks subdivision were allowed to return home June 14. Big Bear Road and County Road 27 south of Big Bear Road were reopened, but Otter Road remained closed. Buckskin Heights and Redstone Canyons were to remain closed, officials said. The U.S. Post Office said June 14 it would resume mail delivery in parts of Bellvue. The American Red Cross partnered with Larimer County and Colorado State University (CSU) to open a “long-term recovery” center for fire victims on CSU’s campus in Fort Collins. Seven people stayed overnight at the emergency evacuation shelter at The Ranch in Loveland. It was to remain open since there were standing pre-evacuation orders.
Source: http://www.denverpost.com/breakingnews/ci_20856003/colorado-wildfire-burn-area-could-be-hit-by
57. *June 14, Associated Press* – (New Mexico) **Some residents return to Ruidoso mountain homes, Little Bear fire 40 percent contained.** Some residents evacuated from their mountain homes by the Little Bear fire raging outside the resort town of Ruidoso, New Mexico, returned to their neighborhoods. Officials said the fire scorched 58 square miles in the Sierra Blanca range and has been 40 percent contained as of June 14. Meanwhile, crews battling the largest fire in New Mexico’s history, the Whitewater-Baldy fire, said they had the fire 56 percent contained. The fire scorched 452 square miles of the Gila Wilderness since it was started by lightning May 16.
Source: http://www.lcsun-news.com/las_cruces-news/ci_20855129/some-residents-return-ruidoso-mountain-homes-little-bear
58. *June 13, Los Angeles Times* – (Texas) **Crews fight to fix leak, keep historic battleship Texas afloat.** Crews have been working 24-hour days to keep the leaky historic battleship Texas afloat in Houston, the Los Angeles Times reported June 13.

The historic battleship, which just turned 100 years old in May, is among six remaining vessels that served in World War I and World War II. A ship manager said crews noticed the ship was taking on water June 9 and have been working ever since to find and patch the leak.

Source: <http://www.latimes.com/news/nation/nationnow/la-na-nn-battleship-texas-20120613,0,389814.story>

59. *June 13, KJZZ 91.5 FM Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Gladiator Fire completely contained.** Fire crews have fully contained the Gladiator Fire near Crown King in northern Arizona, KJZZ 91.5 FM Phoenix reported June 13. Officials said certain areas were still closed for safety reasons, but residents were allowed to return to their homes. Six structures were destroyed by the blaze, and eight people were injured. The Gladiator Fire started in May when a home became engulfed in flames. It burned more than 16,000 acres. The forest service said it spent \$14 million fighting the fire. A fire restriction was implemented for the Prescott National Forest and a fire ban was implemented in Yavapai County.

Source: <http://www.kjzz.org/content/1206/gladiator-fire-completely-contained>

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Dams Sector

60. *June 14, Fort Wayne Journal Gazette* – (Indiana) **Levee repairs target erosion, tree growth.** The Fort Wayne, Indiana Board of Public Works approved a project in to repair about 1,200 feet of flood levees along Edgewater Avenue just west of the Tecumseh Street bridge June 13. The project comes in response to a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers review of the structure that found some deficiencies — mainly erosion caused by numerous trees in the area. A city spokesman said the trees were removed in fall 2011 and the \$620,000 project will clear the tree stumps and fill in the levee. Three feet of compacted clay will be added to the slope of the levee, while Scour Stop will be installed to the base of the levee. The product is a plastic mesh that goes on top of the clay to help stop erosion. It allows grass to grow, but prevents trees from sprouting. The work is scheduled to be completed by September 30 and must be finished by the end of the year to meet the Corps' requirements.

Source:

<http://www.journalgazette.net/article/20120614/LOCAL/306149979/1002/LOCAL>

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