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- The impact of the damage created by a thunderstorm in Brownville, Maine, will likely top more than \$4 million when repairs are finished the week of July 2, officials said. – *Bangor Daily News* (See item [10](#))
- With 72 percent of the continental United States classified as “abnormally dry” or worse, the 2012 drought could be the most expensive to both agriculture and consumers since 1988. The 1988 drought cost American agriculture \$78 billion. – *Drovers CattleNetwork* (See item [13](#))
- One soldier was dead and two others were wounded following a shooting June 28 at Fort Bragg Army base in North Carolina. – *Fort Bragg Public Affairs Office* (See item [26](#))
- One person was dead, 2 were missing, and at least 346 homes were destroyed as a result of a wildfire burning in Colorado Springs, Colorado, June 29. The fire is the most destructive in the State’s history. – *MSNBC; Associated Press; Reuters* (See item [38](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *June 29, Reuters* – (Texas) **Exxon reports leak in pipe at Texas refinery.** Exxon Mobil Corp reported a release of hydrogen sulfide after a leak in a pipe at its 560,640 barrels per day refinery in Baytown, Texas, according to a filing with the U.S. National Response Center June 29. Repairs were made and the release was secured, the filing said.
Source: <http://in.reuters.com/article/2012/06/29/refinery-operations-exxon-baytown-idINWNAB046020120629>
2. *June 28, Associated Press* – (Kentucky) **Copper theft knocks out power for some customers.** A Kentucky Utilities (KU) official said electricity was knocked out for more than 1,200 customers in central Kentucky after copper was stolen from a power substation June 28. A KU spokeswoman said power was expected to be restored to the customers June 28. The spokeswoman said the outage affected 1,225 customers in the Bloomfield and Fairfield areas in Nelson County. She said someone broke into the substation and stripped away copper wires.
Source: <http://www.fox19.com/story/18908570/copper-theft-knocks-out-power-for-some-customers>

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

3. *June 29, Milwaukee Journal* – (Wisconsin) **Turbine problem idles one reactor at Point Beach nuclear plant.** A reactor at the Point Beach nuclear power plant in Two Creeks, Wisconsin, stopped operating June 27 after a problem developed with the plant's turbine. The problem took place on the non-nuclear side of the plant and did not pose any safety risks, the company said. Plant operator NextEra told the Nuclear Regulatory Commission that it shut down the reactor, and all safety-related equipment to cool the nuclear reactor operated without problems. The reactor was offline during what was projected to be the hottest day of the year, but the problem did not affect the other reactor at Point Beach, which was running at full power.
Source: <http://www.nucpros.com/content/turbine-problem-idles-one-reactor-point-beach-nuclear-plant>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

4. *June 29, MSNBC* – (National) **Toyota to recall 154,000 Lexus SUVs to fix floor mat.** Federal safety regulators said June 29 they asked Toyota to recall about 154,000 Lexus sport utility vehicles because their floor mats can trap the gas pedal and cause the vehicles to speed up without warning. The agency also said it may investigate whether Toyota told the agency about problems quickly enough. The move adds the 2010 model year Lexus RX 350 and RX 450 to other safety recalls dating to 2009. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said it requested the recall after reviewing complaints from customers and information from Toyota. The agency said people with the recalled vehicles should remove the driver’s side floor mat and have their vehicles serviced promptly.

Source: http://bottomline.msnbc.msn.com/_news/2012/06/29/12482378-toyota-to-recall-154000-lexus-suvs-to-fix-floor-mat?lite

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Banking and Finance Sector

5. *June 29, Palm Beach Post* – (Florida) **Boynton McDonald’s employee accused of stealing credit card released from jail.** An employee of a Boynton Beach, Florida McDonald’s restaurant faces charges of using a scanning device or re-encoder to defraud customers, the Palm Beach Post reported June 29. Boynton Beach Police began investigating the case the week of June 18 when they received reports of fraud at the McDonald’s. The restaurant’s manager said he received a complaint from a customer who was notified by her bank that someone tried to charge \$238 to her account at a nearby Target store. After looking at video surveillance of the restaurant, the restaurant’s manager told Boynton Beach Police that he saw the employee swipe three credit cards on a device attached to his phone, according to the arrest report. When he was taken into custody, the employee admitted to using a credit card scanning device about 129 times during a 1-month period, the report said. He added he got the scanner from a man he knows as “card man.” He went on to say ‘card man’ paid him \$500 for every 30 credit card numbers he obtained. He added that, so far, he has been paid about \$2,100, according to the report.

Source: <http://www.palmbeachpost.com/news/news/crime-law/boynton-beach-mcdonalds-employee-accused-of-steali/nPhRY/>

6. *June 28, San Jose Business Journal* – (California) **\$42M ‘Ponzi-like scheme’ shut down in Los Altos.** Securities regulators shut down an alleged \$42 million “Ponzi-like scheme” that was run by a Silicon Valley mortgage-investment firm, the San Jose

Business Journal reported June 28. Los Altos, California-based Small Business Capital Corp., known as SB Capital, and its principal allegedly brought in more than 400 investors with promises of at least 7.5 percent in annual returns. However, SB Capital's principal was allegedly operating the scheme by paying returns that came partly from fund profits and partly from other investors, according to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The SEC said it obtained an emergency court order to halt the alleged fraud. The agency filed a complaint the week of June 18 in U.S. District Court in San Jose against the principal, SB Capital, and two mortgage-investment funds they oversaw, Investors Prime Fund LLC and SBC Portfolio Fund LLC.

Source: <http://www.bizjournals.com/sanjose/news/2012/06/28/42m-ponzi-like-scheme-shut-down-in.html>

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Transportation Sector

7. *June 29, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **Midway closed nearly 4 hours after outage cuts power to runway lights.** Midway Airport in Chicago was closed for nearly 4 hours overnight June 28 after a problem in an airfield lighting vault cut power to runway lights, officials said. The airport was closed June 28 and about 85 flights were canceled or diverted, according to a spokeswoman for the Chicago Department of Aviation. Electrical power was restored to the runways approximately 3 hours later, she said. A ComEd spokeswoman said the cause appeared to be an equipment failure at the airport. The terminals were not affected, and airport officials escorted aircraft back to the terminal building to allow passengers to get off planes.
Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-midway-closed-due-to-runway-lighting-problems-20120628,0,4727198.story>
8. *June 28, San Francisco Chronicle* – (California) **Fire that disrupted BART was arson, feds say.** The three-alarm fire at a West Oakland, California construction site that disrupted Bay Area Rapid Transit's (BART) transbay service for 12 hours was the result of arson, a federal investigator said June 28. Evidence from the scene confirmed the fire June 14 at the unfinished Red Star senior housing complex was "man-made," said a special agent of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF). The ATF's national response team spent a week at the site, sifting through rubble for burn patterns and ignition sources. The fire erupted just feet from the elevated tracks of BART's West Oakland Station, forcing the transit agency to halt train service across the bay and causing havoc for the morning commute. The fire caused an estimated \$25 million in damage. A security guard reported he ran from the site after being threatened by three young men shortly before the building went up in flames.
Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/crime/article/Fire-that-disrupted-BART-was-arson-feds-say-3671706.php>

9. *June 27, Federal Aviation Administration* – (Texas) **FAA proposes \$206,550 penalty against Martinaire Aviation.** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) proposed a \$206,550 civil penalty against Martinaire Aviation, of Addison, Texas, for violating U.S. Department of Transportation Hazardous Materials Regulations, according to a June 27 FAA release. The FAA conducted a comprehensive hazardous materials inspection at the company’s headquarters July 8, 2011. As a result of that inspection, the FAA alleged the airline routinely failed to complete documents properly and comply with the requirements for notifying pilots in command about hazardous materials transported as cargo. The allegations involve 17 shipments of hazardous materials Martinaire accepted for transportation by air on 12 flights between April 1 and June 22, 2011. Martinaire is a scheduled air cargo and cargo charter company. The flights operated between various cities across the country.
Source: http://www.faa.gov/news/press_releases/news_story.cfm?newsId=13713
10. *June 27, Bangor Daily News* – (Maine) **Brownville storm damage likely to top \$4 million.** The impact of the damage created by a recent thunderstorm that stalled over a 3-mile section of Brownville, Maine, likely will top more than \$4 million when repairs are finished the week of July 2, officials said. As the governor toured flood-damaged areas, a railroad official estimated June 26 that the section of rail line wiped out by flooding will cost his railroad \$500,000 to fix and its customers \$500,000 a day. The CEO of Montreal, Maine, & Atlantic Railway (MM&A) said the storm hit the State rail network at “the neck of the bottle” — a single track 3 miles south of Brownville Junction, a key connection for all rail traffic between Aroostook County and southern Maine. Seventeen spots totaling only 1,000 feet were washed away but effectively forced rail service users ranging from Old Town Fuel and Fiber to Searsport’s GAC Chemical to do without rail service or seek other transportation, he said. More than 50 workers from the Maine Department of Transportation, Brownville, MM&A, and area municipalities have been working since June 24 to reopen 4 roads and the rail line.
Source: <http://bangordailynews.com/2012/06/26/news/piscataquis/lepage-en-route-to-brownville-as-town-continues-flood-repairs/>
11. *June 27, Associated Press* – (Arizona) **Dust storm limits visibility in Phoenix area.** Dust storms that blew through the Phoenix area and parts of southern Arizona June 26 reduced visibility to about 1 to 2 miles in some areas and prompted warnings to drivers traveling on two busy highways. Wind gusts as high as 35 miles per hour were measured in cities east of Phoenix. Earlier, the Arizona Department of Transportation and the National Weather Service urged those traveling in southeastern Arizona to drive with caution because of limited visibility. The Department of Transportation also warned that those traveling along Interstates 10 and 8, south of Casa Grande, were to be affected most by the dust.
Source: <http://lubbockonline.com/filed-online/2012-06-27/dust-storm-limits-visibility-phoenix-area#.T-x0g5GqHOk>
12. *June 27, Agencia EFE* – (International) **Mexico seeks U.S. intel on airport chief’s links to drug trade.** The Mexican government asked the United States for information about the alleged links between the director of the Mexico City airport and drug traffickers, Mexico’s attorney general said. The director of Mexico City’s Benito Juarez

International Airport “has links to employees of different drug cartels and facilitates their operations,” El Universal newspaper reported June 26, citing U.S. Justice Department documents. Two Mexican federal police officers under investigation for drug trafficking killed three fellow officers who were about to arrest them at the airport June 25. The shooting occurred in the airport’s Terminal Two. The two officers were being investigated for their alleged links “to the activities of a drug trafficking network,” Mexico’s public safety secretary said. The airport director may be called to give a statement as part of the investigation of a network that smuggles drugs through the airport, the attorney general’s office sources said.

Source: <http://latino.foxnews.com/latino/news/2012/06/27/mexico-seeks-us-intel-on-airport-chief-links-to-drug-trade/>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

13. *June 29, Drovers CattleNetwork* – (National) **Drought area larger than last year, losses may rival 1988.** The historic drought in 2011 in the southwest gained a lot of attention for its impact on people, livestock, and wildlife, Drovers CattleNetwork reported June 29. The 2012 drought, however, is worse in many ways and likely to be more expensive to both agriculture and to consumers. According to the National Drought Mitigation Center, 72 percent of the continental United States is classified as “abnormally dry” or worse. By comparison, at the end of the third week in June 2011 just 32 percent of the continental United States was classified as “abnormally dry” or worse. Some meteorologists are comparing 2012 to the drought of 1988, which was estimated to cost American agriculture \$78 billion. The 2011 drought had a big impact on the U.S. cattle industry and strained the financial resources of many ranchers. The 2012 drought, however, will hit consumers much harder due to the impact it has already had on corn and soybean production. Crop forecasters are adjusting their estimates for the harvest, and smaller corn and soybean yields mean higher prices for many food items for American consumers.

Source: <http://www.agprofessional.com/news/Drought-area-larger-than-last-year-losses-may-rival-1988-160733755.html>

14. *June 29, Purdue University* – (Indiana) **Drought in Indiana worsens; no letup in sight.** Drought and high heat continued to impact Indiana, stressing crops and farmers, and there is little hope for relief, Purdue University reported June 29. Most of the State is now in either moderate, severe, or extreme drought, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor released June 28. Extreme drought — the second-highest level of drought —

spread across southwest Indiana and developed in many counties in the northeast. Areas faring relatively better are Indiana's extreme northwest and southeast counties, which are rated abnormally dry. Much of Indiana's corn crop has entered pollination, a critical period in plant development. With extreme temperatures and no rain, pollination success is likely to vary widely from field to field and even within fields. Some fields could suffer complete pollination failure, said a Purdue Extension corn specialist.

Source: <http://www.agprofessional.com/news/Drought-in-Indiana-worsens-no-letup-in-sight-160713875.html>

15. *June 29, CBC News* – (International) **Miramichi E. coli outbreak linked to romaine lettuce.** Romaine lettuce was determined to be the likely source of an E. coli outbreak in Miramichi, New Brunswick, Canada, in April. Canada's Department of Health released results of a case control study June 29 that examined 55 people. The study looked at what the people ate to determine if there were any patterns. The chief medical officer of health said all of those in the study who were sick with E. coli appear to have consumed romaine lettuce. The experts focused on the food items eaten by those who ate at Jungle Jim's in Miramichi April 23-26. The federal agency became aware that cases matching the E. coli strain involved in the Miramichi outbreak had also been identified in Quebec and California, according to the province's statement.

Source: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/new-brunswick/story/2012/06/29/nb-e-coli-miramichi-lettuce-1033.html>

16. *June 29, Wisconsin Ag Connection* – (National) **State cherry forecast confirms tough times for growers.** Wisconsin's tart cherry production was forecast to be less than a half-million pounds in 2012 — down from the 6.7 million pounds harvested during the previous growing season. That is according to new numbers released June 28 by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Ag Statistics Service. State agriculture officials said the early warm spring temperatures caused trees to bud, followed by several days with temperatures below freezing at night. National tart cherry production is expected to be around 73.1 million pounds, down 68 percent from the 2011 production. Michigan, which is usually the largest producing State, had nearly all of its crop wiped up in 2012 as a result of a cold spring nights. Their forecast predicts just 5.5 million pounds to be harvested in 2012. That is compared to 157.5 million in 2011. New York and Pennsylvania are also expected to product less cherries, but Washington is reporting the opposite. Agriculture officials in that State said winter conditions were moderate and the warm spring allowed for an excellent bloom.

Source: <http://www.wisconsinagconnection.com/story-state.php?Id=776&yr=2012>

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Water Sector

17. *June 29, York Dispatch* – (Pennsylvania) **Sewer plant operator charged with pollution, false reports.** The former operator of an East Manchester Township, Pennsylvania sewage treatment plant was charged June 28 by the State Attorney General's Office with tampering with public records or identification, unsworn

falsifications to authorities, and unlawful conduct under Pennsylvania's Clean Streams Law. If convicted, he faces up to \$50,000 in fines and 7 years in prison for each offense, according to State officials. The charges stem from allegations that the man falsified monthly waste water reports to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and allowed unpermitted waste water discharges into the Codorus Creek in 2011.

Source: http://www.yorkdispatch.com/ci_20967927/sewer-plant-operator-charged-pollution-false-reports

18. *June 29, Atlanta Journal Constitution* – (Georgia) **Boil water advisory remains for parts of Atlanta.** A boil water advisory remained in effect until further notice for parts of Atlanta the Department of Watershed Management said June 29. A power outage June 28 led to a loss of pressure in the drinking water system, which was back in normal working condition within about 30 minutes, the department said. As a precautionary measure, authorities were flushing the system and sampling the affected areas to make sure there was no contamination.

Source: <http://www.ajc.com/news/atlanta/boil-water-advisory-remains-1466710.html>

19. *June 29, Eugene Register Guard* – (Oregon) **Waldport area RV park's sewage leak leads to fine.** Washington State levied a \$105,000 fine against an RV and fishing resort on the Alsea River, saying sewage from the resort's decrepit septic system was seeping onto the surface of the ground and possibly into the river, the Eugene Register Guard reported June 29. The park's sewage goes into an old network of septic tanks and drainfields, a septic specialist with the Department of Environmental Quality said. Officials documented that in at least one of the drainfields, effluent was rising to the ground surface and may have washed into the river. Officials were also worried about park residents coming in contact with waste on the ground. The State, in its May 23 fine notification letter, said officials December 19, 2011, and January 6 told the park to block off the contaminated area to protect residents but owners did not comply until March. The owners temporarily stopped the seepage onto the ground by having the septic tanks pumped out several times a week and the waste hauled away. The State based the fine amount on how much the owners saved by breaking the law, including failing to pump out the septic tanks three times a week for a period of months and failing to install a new onsite sewage disposal system. The State said a new system would cost \$120,000 to design and install. The owners were contesting the fine.

Source: <http://www.registerguard.com/web/newslocalnews/28305723-41/park-state-septic-owners-system.html.csp>

20. *June 29, Mitchell Daily Republic* – (South Dakota) **Salem water restored after dry spell in community.** Salem, South Dakota, restored water service to its residents June 28. Residents in the city were told June 27 not to use tap water after a computer component failed and caused the city's water treatment plant to shut down. A replacement part was brought in June 28, said a finance officer. The part was installed, programming was completed, and the water tower was refilling after dropping dangerously low June 27 and June 28. The city asked for people not to water outside their home and businesses until June 30 to allow the system to fully refill.

Source: <http://www.mitchellrepublic.com/event/article/id/67125/group/homepage/>

21. *June 29, Salem News* – (Massachusetts) **Well fails in Ipswich; outdoor water use banned.** Ipswich, Massachusetts officials declared a mandatory ban on outdoor watering June 28, hoping to conserve a drinking water supply reduced by the failure of the town's highest-producing well. One of the town's five wells failed recently, according to the city utilities director because it was in need of cleaning. The town's water treatment plant is also offline for work on one of its chemical systems to eliminate fears of perchlorate getting into the water. The combination has reduced the town's ability to pump drinking water into the system, he said. Ipswich's failed well is being cleaned and a new pump will be installed but will not be finished until July 4. The water ban will continue until the well is up and running.
Source: <http://www.salemnews.com/local/x1437857359/Well-fails-in-Ipswich-outdoor-water-use-banned>

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

22. *June 28, Associated Press; WKRG 5 Mobile* – (Alabama) **Health officials investigating TB case at Auburn.** Alabama health officials were trying to locate students and teachers at Auburn University who may have come in contact with a student who tested positive for pulmonary tuberculosis, the Associated Press and WKRG 5 Mobile reported June 28. Public health workers planned to meet with members of the public June 29 at the university health center to answer questions about the illness. School officials told health officials the student complied with school regulations during the admissions processing by providing them with documents indicating a negative test for the disease.
Source: <http://www2.wkrg.com/news/2012/jun/28/health-officials-investigating-tb-case-auburn-ar-4055541/>
23. *June 28, WSYR 9 Syracuse* – (New York) **North Country nurse supervisor accused of altering records for drugs.** A Lafargeville, New York man working at a medical facility was arrested June 28 on charges that he illegally obtained drugs by falsifying records. Police said they were responding to a complaint that the suspect was intentionally altering automated dispensing records and medical administration records at the hospital. Police charged him with criminal possession of a controlled substance in the third degree and falsifying business records in the first degree, both felonies.
Source: <http://www.9wsyr.com/news/local/story/North-Country-nurse-supervisor-accused-of/XCqd6-g6uUKCEqbgYzmSew.csp>
24. *June 28, Threatpost* – (Texas) **Texas cancer center alerts patients to personal data theft — almost two months later.** June 28, the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center began notifying almost 30,000 patients that their personal data was stolen after someone swiped an unencrypted laptop from a physician's home April 30. The data included patient information such as names, medical record numbers, and treatment and research information. In about 10,000 cases, it also included Social Security numbers. The cancer center said it waited to notify victims until it had conducted a thorough investigation following the reported theft. Officials said MD

Anderson began working with outside forensics experts immediately to determine what information was on the stolen computer. The cancer center is offering credit monitoring services for those whose Social Security numbers were compromised and taking steps to better secure all MD Anderson computers and the patient data held within them. Additionally, hospital officials said they will reinforce privacy policies so all employees properly handle patient data. In 2011 MD Anderson treated more than 108,000 patients, including nearly 10,000 enrolled in clinical trials involving experimental treatments, the largest such program in the nation.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/texas-cancer-center-alerts-patients-personal-data-theft-almost-two-months-later-062812

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Government Facilities Sector

25. *June 29, CNN* – (California) **Credit card security breach hits California campus.** The University of Southern California warned students and faculty about a credit card security breach following the hacking of a software system on the campus. In an e-mail statement June 28, campus officials detailed the breach that occurred at dining facilities between May 21 and June 21. “Credit card numbers were obtained illegally through a breach in a third-party software system used to process credit card transactions in some USC dining halls,” the statement said. Students, visitors, and faculty were asked to check credit card statements for unusual charges in the next few months. It was unclear how many people were affected. An investigation involving the Los Angeles Police Department was under way.
Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2012/06/29/us/california-usc-breach/index.html>
26. *June 28, Fort Bragg Public Affairs Office* – (North Carolina) **Soldier dead following on-post shooting, June 28.** One soldier from the 525th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade was dead and two others were wounded following a shooting incident June 28 at Fort Bragg Army base in North Carolina. During a unit safety brief, a soldier shot another member of the unit and then turned the weapon on himself. The shooter was injured and is in custody. A third soldier who was in the area was also slightly wounded in the shooting. Fort Bragg law enforcement and emergency responders secured the scene within minutes. Special agents from the Army Criminal Investigation Command were on the scene and began an investigation.
Source: <http://www.bragg.army.mil/presscenter/pages/TwoSoldiersdeadfollowingon-postshooting,June28.aspx>
27. *June 28, Krebs on Security* – (International) **DNSChanger trojan still in 12 percent of Fortune 500.** Any systems still infected with the DNSChanger trojan will be summarily disconnected from the rest of the Internet July 9. According to Internet Identity, this malware is still a resident on systems at roughly 4 percent of U.S. federal agencies and 12 percent of Fortune 500 companies. The latest stats from the DNSChanger Working Group (DCWG), an industry consortium working to eradicate

the malware, more than 300,000 systems are still infected. That number is likely conservative: The DCWG measures infections by Internet protocol (IP) addresses, not unique systems. Because many systems that are on the same local network often share the same IP address, the actual number of DNSChanger-infected machines is probably quite a bit higher than 300,000. DNSChanger may no longer be hijacking search results, but the malware still carries secondary threats and risks. It was frequently bundled with other malicious software and disables antivirus protection on host machines.

Source: <http://krebsonsecurity.com/2012/06/dnschanger-trojan-still-in-12-of-fortune-500/>

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Emergency Services Sector

28. *June 29, Nashoba Publishing* – (Massachusetts) **Shirley prison remains on lockdown.** The Souza-Baranowski Correctional Center in Shirley, Massachusetts, remained on lockdown June 26 as officials investigated an incident that happened June 25 in which several correction officers were injured, including one who was stabbed in the neck. No visits to the prison were being allowed until further notice, according to an automated message on the prison's phone system. The incident was being investigated by the Massachusetts Department of Corrections (DoC) and the Worcester County district attorney. The number of corrections officers injured was in dispute, although all but one were said to be out of the hospital. The DoC said seven officers were injured, and the officers' union said eight were hurt. An inmate suspected in the stabbing was in custody, a DoC spokeswoman said.

Source: http://www.nashobapublishing.com/community_news/ci_20971500/shirley-prison-remains-lockdown

29. *June 28, Emergency Management* – (National) **Bomb threat app puts crucial data in responders' hands.** A new app for first responders, called the First Responder Support Tools (FiRST), designed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology Directorate and partners, is a computer and smartphone app that attempts to provide details pertinent to bomb threats like potential blast radius, location of nearby schools and hospitals, evacuation routes, and suggested roads to be blocked off, Emergency Management reported June 28. In addition to geospatial data, the app also includes HAZMAT response information based on the Emergency Response Guidebook, which includes data on more than 3,000 hazardous materials. The app can retrieve current and forecasted weather data to show downwind protection zones for materials that are considered inhalation hazards. Once the user has all the information garnered by the app, they can e-mail a text summary, map image, and GIS file to colleagues.

Source: <http://www.emergencymgmt.com/safety/Bomb-Threat-App-Data-Responders.html>

Information Technology Sector

30. *June 29, H Security* – (International) **WordPress 3.4 update closes important security hole.** The WordPress developers released version 3.4.1 of their popular open source publishing platform, fixing a number of bugs and closing security holes, one of which is rated as important. WordPress 3.4, which was already downloaded 3 million times since being released 2 weeks ago, contains an important privilege escalation flaw that accidentally allowed all administrators and editors on multi-site installations to use `unfiltered_html`. This could have been exploited by users for cross-site scripting attacks by, for example, publishing posts containing malicious code. The update also fixes an information disclosure vulnerability which could have allowed some users to bypass certain security restrictions in order to view the contents of posts that they should not be able to see, such as draft and private posts.
Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/WordPress-3-4-update-closes-important-security-hole-1628769.html>
31. *June 29, Federal News Radio* – (National) **FedBizOpps.gov contractor under FBI investigation.** The federal contractor running three governmentwide Web sites, including FedBizOpps.gov, is under investigation by the FBI for allegedly trying to access without permission Web sites of their competitors in the education sector. The Eastern District Court of Virginia in Alexandria issued a search warrant March 5 to the FBI. The FBI conducted the search before March 19 of Symplicity Corporation's offices in Arlington. The FBI stated in its request to the judge for the search warrant that a witness alleges Symplicity tried on several occasions since 2009 to access the networks of its competitors, Maxient LLC of Charlottesville, and Pave Systems of Richardson, Texas. Both Maxient and Pave Systems offer software to colleges and universities and neither have done any federal business in fiscal 2012, according to USASpending.gov.
Source: <http://www.federalnewsradio.com/490/2923841/FedBizOppsgov-contractor-under-FBI-investigation->
32. *June 28, Softpedia* – (International) **Experts find improvements in classic phishing emails.** Experts found cyber criminals are improving fake e-mails that are part of spam campaigns, making them more realistic. The SERT research team at Solutionary analyzed a FedEx spam message and detailed not only the elements that make it more realistic but also the clues that clearly show that it is part of a scheme. Many users are aware that fake FedEx e-mails that attempt to phish for a user's credentials contain bogus information. However, in one variant, the tracking number actually worked and matched a shipment. Furthermore, one of the links from the e-mail led to the official courier site and not a malware-infested domain. "These attempts are getting better, especially when they first direct the user to an official site. It won't be long before you won't be able to tell the difference between a phishing attempt and an official email. Systems and/or security departments should keep informing coworkers of these types of emails," a researcher from Solutionary explained.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Experts-Find-Improvements-in-Classic-Phishing-Emails-278146.shtml>

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Internet Alert Dashboard

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at sos@us-cert.gov or visit their Web site: <http://www.us-cert.gov>

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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33. *June 29, Marshall County Tribune* – (Tennessee) **Meth lab busted, motel rooms cleaned.** A man was arrested June 25 and charged with initiating the process of cooking methamphetamine in a Lewisburg, Tennessee motel where three crews cleaned several rooms June 26. Crushing pills and separating phosphorous from match tops and striking plates are illegal as they are steps in the P2P, or red phosphorous method to cook methamphetamine that is stronger than the so-called “shake and bake” or “Nazi” methods of making meth, according to the assistant director of the 17th Judicial District Drug Task Force. Guests in a motel room used as a meth lab “are going to feel terrible; nausea and headaches, irritation of the eyes,” he said. “It would be like being poisoned...Somebody with respiratory problems could die.” Officers who investigated similar cases years ago are suffering ill effects now, he said.

Source: <http://www.marshalltribune.com/story/1865267.html>

34. *June 28, Reuters* – (International) **Two held in UK over fear of attacks before Olympics.** Police arrested two men June 28 on suspicion of preparing terrorist attacks in Britain, less than a month before the opening of the London Olympic Games in the British capital. Seven years after suicide bombers killed 52 people in a string of coordinated attacks in London, British security forces are on high alert for any signs of trouble ahead of the Games, which start July 27. London police said the two men were arrested by officers from its Counter Terrorism Command on suspicion of terrorist-related activity. “Both (are) in custody at a central London police station,” it said in a statement. Police and military strategists are gearing up for a range of security threats at the Olympics including bomb explosions, violent protests, and attacks using hijacked airliners.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/06/28/us-security-britain-idUSBRE85R12120120628>

35. *June 28, Oakland Tribune* – (California) **Oakland: Bomb squad blows up suspicious device downtown.** Authorities determined that a suspicious object rigged with wiring was a “well-made hoax device” after it was found June 28 in the Chinatown district of Oakland, California, police said. The Alameda County Bomb Squad blew up the device in a planned detonation. A Salvation Army employee found a large thermos that contained Styrofoam and copper wiring that was taped around a steel bar, said an Alameda County Sheriff’s Office spokesman. Fearing it was an explosive device, the employee called Oakland police who then called in the county bomb squad. Authorities blocked off streets in the surrounding two-block area, which is part of Oakland’s normally busy Chinatown district, and evacuated nearby residents and merchants, an Oakland police spokeswoman said. A bomb technician determined the thermos was fake and was rigged to look like an explosive that could be detonated remotely, said the county sheriff’s spokesman. The Oakland fire hazardous materials response team assisted in the operation.

Source: http://www.insidebayarea.com/oaklandtribune/localnews/ci_20963550/police-investigating-suspicious-package-blocking-traffic-downtown-oakland

36. *June 28, San Gabriel Valley Newspapers* – (California) **White powder prompts hazmat scare in Arcadia.** A mysterious white substance appeared on desktops at an office building overnight June 27, prompting hazardous materials crews to investigate before declaring the scene safe, officials said. The incident was reported at Fortanasce and Associated Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine, Arcadia police and fire officials said. Employees found an “unknown white substance” on desktops in three offices in the building, an Arcadia Fire Department spokeswoman said. Hazardous materials crews from the Burbank and Glendale fire departments were summoned to investigate. “Seven persons were exposed to the substance, which was identified as potash bentonite, but exhibited no adverse reactions,” Arcadia Fire Department officials said in a statement. Police were looking into reports of threats against the office due to recent litigation, officials said.

Source: http://www.pasadenastarnews.com/ci_20965602/white-powder-prompts-hazmat-scare-arcadia

37. *June 27, National Public Radio* – (Colorado) **Colorado fire consumes ‘Taste of the Old West’.** Among the losses from the Waldo Canyon fire is the Flying W Ranch near Colorado Springs, Colorado, a tourist destination for the last 60 years. The ranch burned to the ground June 26. It billed itself as “a taste of the Old West” — a replica Western town with historic memorabilia and buildings. “We had some firefighters that were actually out helping to remove a lot of the trees and the brush from around our buildings. They got straight into a single-file line and marched their way out of the ranch, and we knew it was time. And we jumped in our cars and we took off,” said the assistant general manager at the Flying W. The ranch entertained and served dinner to 1,200 guests per night.

Source: <http://www.npr.org/2012/06/27/155861675/colorado-fire-consumes-taste-of-the-old-west>

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

38. *June 29, MSNBC; Associated Press; Reuters* – (National) **One dead, two missing as Colo. wildfires rage.** The tens of thousands of evacuees in the Colorado Springs, Colorado area received word June 28 that hundreds of homes have been lost to an out-of-control wildfire. A preliminary report indicated 346 residences on about 35 streets were destroyed by the Waldo Canyon fire, the mayor said, the Colorado Springs Gazette reported. The count is not final, and the numbers may change. The fire, the most destructive in State history, was 10 percent contained. June 28 authorities said a body was found in the debris of a burned-out home in the area, marking the first fatality from the fire. The police chief said two people were reported missing, the Associated Press said. The area near the U.S. Air Force Academy was burning, and crews were battling flare-ups there. June 27, mandatory evacuations were ordered for the 3,000 people in the town of Crystola and part of Woodland Park after more than 32,000 people had to flee June 26. Colorado was battling eight large fires, its worst fire season in history. The U.S. President was scheduled to tour the Colorado Springs area June 29, the White House said. The State's second largest fire was the 136-square-mile High Park Fire, which destroyed 257 homes and killed 1 woman. That fire was triggered by lightning June 9 and was nearly contained. In Boulder, the Flagstaff Fire burned to within 1.5 miles of the southern edge of the University of Colorado campus. The 230-acre fire was 30 percent contained and "remains a threat to Boulder," Reuters quoted the incident commander as saying, Nationwide, 35 large, active wildfires were being fought. The bulk of them were in nine western States: Colorado, Montana, Utah, Wyoming, South Dakota, New Mexico, Nevada, Arizona, and California.
Source: <http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/47994188/ns/weather/#.T-2v-5H3Th4>
39. *June 29, Associated Press* – (Colorado) **All 8 Air Force firefighting planes activated.** All eight Air Force cargo planes equipped to fight wildfires were scheduled to operate out of a Colorado air base June 30. June 29, an official said this is the first time the entire fleet was activated simultaneously since 2008. The Forest Service can request the C-130s when the rest of the firefighting fleet is in use or unavailable. The C-130s are fitted with tanks and pumps that allow them to drop 3,000 gallons of water or fire retardant in seconds. Four of the planes are already attacking Colorado wildfires from Peterson Air Force Base in Colorado Springs. June 28, the U.S. Northern Command approved a Forest Service request to activate the other four. The C-130s are assigned to National Guard and Reserve units in California, Colorado, North Carolina, and Wyoming.
Source: <http://www.ksq.com/news/All-8-Air-Force-firefighting-planes-activated/-/233092/15349630/-/nu5tumz/-/index.html>
40. *June 29, KMOV 4 St. Louis* – (Missouri) **Wildfire burns over 500 acres at Mark Twain National Forest.** Over 500 acres of forest burned and a highway was closed in Iron County, Missouri, after fire broke out June 28. The fire started in the Mark Twain

National Forest near Bixby. The fire management officer for the forest said fire crews were working around the clock to contain the wildfire. Ten percent of the fire was contained June 29. Highway 32 between Highway A and Highway 49 south were closed. Fire crews said the fires they were fighting in the forest were unlike typical brush fires. Because of the low humidity, they said the trees and other brush are more dry than usual. That allowed the fire to creep up high in the trees, making it difficult to battle.

Source: <http://www.kmov.com/news/local/Wildfire-burns-over-500-acres-at-Mark-Twain-National-Forest-160817205.html>

41. *June 28, Pensacola News Journal* – (Florida) **Blaze in Milton 90 percent contained.** An equipment malfunction was blamed for a brush fire in Milton, Florida, that scorched 209 acres June 26. June 27, a Florida Forest Service spokesman said the fire was 90 percent contained. The wildfire was fanned by winds reaching 20 miles an hour helping it to spread quickly, according to a news release from the Florida Forest Service. The brush fire damaged the transmitter site of radio station WEBY 1330 AM Milton, the general manager said. The transmitter site lost power June 26, and the station switched to a backup transmitter site operating at a reduced power level. The studios are 8 miles from the transmitter site and were not affected, the release said. WEBY will continue its regular programming, broadcasting at reduced power from its backup site.

Source: <http://www.pnj.com/article/20120627/NEWS01/306270040/Blaze-Milton-90-percent-contained>

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Dams Sector

42. *June 29, Owosso Argus-Press* – (Michigan) **Sinkhole opens on dam.** A leak that has been visible in the dam in Corunna, Michigan, for several years recently became more prominent, increasing the flow of water under the dam and creating a small whirlpool just above the century-old structure, the Owosso Argus-Press reported June 28. The city was in the process of trying to get the State to examine the hole and assess the damage, but the Corunna city manager said he was unsure how the city will be able to fix it.

Source: http://argus-press.com/news/community/corunna/article_4f8e2012-c132-11e1-abbc-0019bb2963f4.html

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