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Citizen Guidance on the Homeland Security Advisory System

Risk of Attack	Recommended Actions for Citizens
 GREEN Low Risk	- Develop a family emergency plan. Share it with family and friends, and practice the plan. Visit www.Ready.gov for help creating a plan. - Create an "Emergency Supply Kit" for your household. - Be informed. Visit www.Ready.gov or obtain a copy of "Preparing Makes Sense, Get Ready Now" by calling 1-800-BE-READY. - Know how to shelter-in-place and how to turn off utilities (power, gas, and water) to your home. - Examine volunteer opportunities in your community, such as Citizen Corps, Volunteers in Police Service, Neighborhood Watch or others, and donate your time. - Consider completing an American Red Cross first aid or CPR course, or Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) course.
 BLUE Guarded Risk	<i>Complete recommended steps at level green.</i> - Review stored disaster supplies and replace items that are outdated. - Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities.
 YELLOW Elevated Risk	<i>Complete recommended steps at levels green and blue.</i> - Ensure disaster supply kit is stocked and ready. - Check telephone numbers in family emergency plan and update as necessary. - Develop alternate routes to/from work or school and practice them. - Continue to be alert for suspicious activity and report it to authorities.
 ORANGE High Risk	<i>Complete recommended steps at lower levels.</i> - Exercise caution when traveling, pay attention to travel advisories. - Review your family emergency plan and make sure all family members know what to do. - Be Patient. Expect some delays, baggage searches and restrictions at public buildings. - Check on neighbors or others that might need assistance in an emergency.
 RED Severe Risk	<i>Complete all recommended actions at lower levels.</i> - Listen to local emergency management officials. - Stay tuned to TV or radio for current information/instructions. - Be prepared to shelter-in-place or evacuate, as instructed. - Expect traffic delays and restrictions. - Provide volunteer services only as requested. - Contact your school/business to determine status of work day.

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