



U.S. NAVAL NUCLEAR PROPULSION PROGRAM

U. S. NAVAL DISPATCH
 MID-REC-1007

FROM: USS NAUTILUS SSN 571

ACTION: COMSUBLANT

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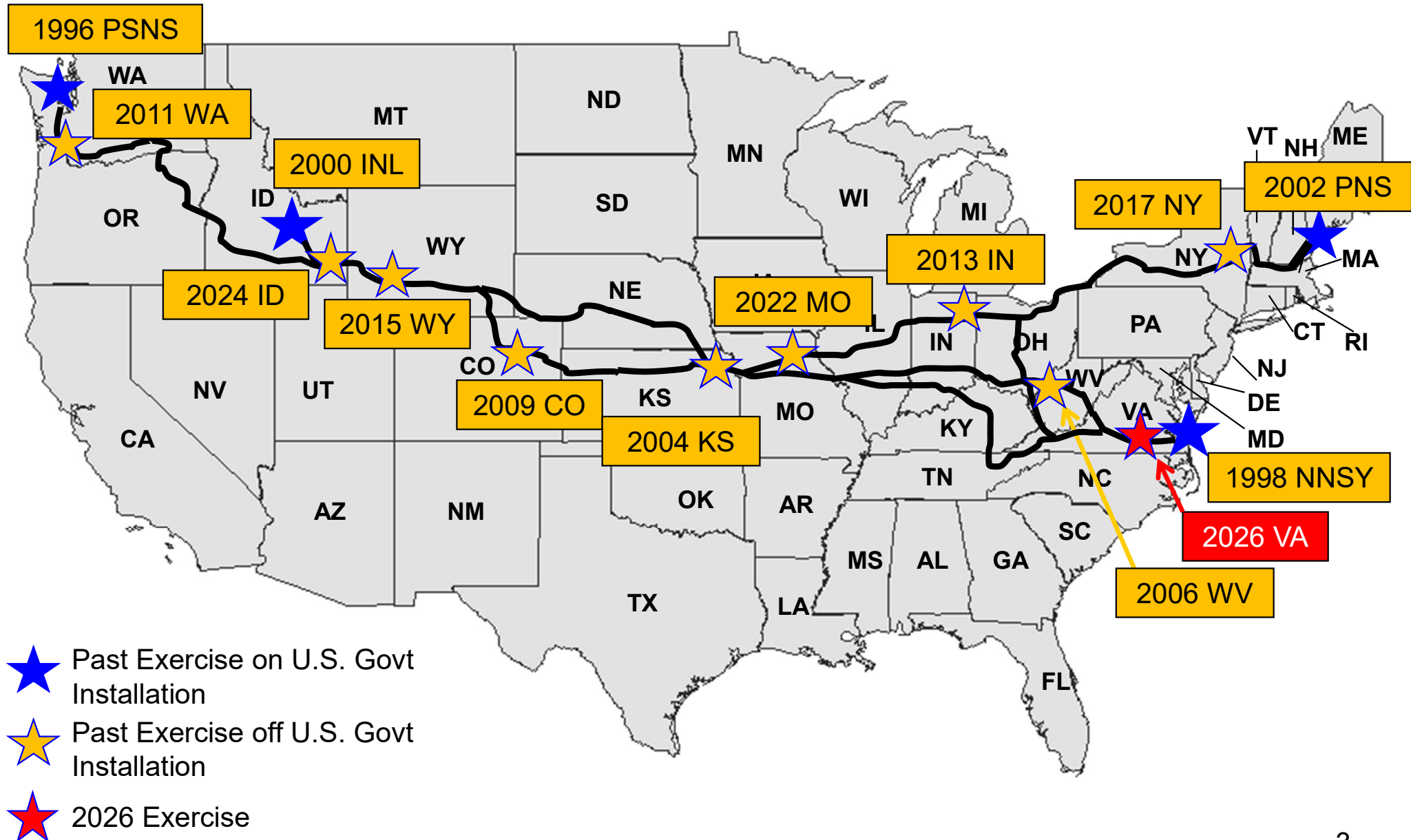
Naval Spent Fuel Shipment Exercise Objectives

- Familiarize stakeholders with Naval spent fuel shipping container characteristics and shipping practices.
- Evaluate the interactions of NNPP couriers accompanying spent fuel shipments with civilian emergency services representatives.
- Gain an understanding of how communication links would be activated in an accident involving a Naval spent fuel shipment.
- Evaluate the NNPP's ability to integrate into Unified Command and the Joint Information Center (JIC) (if established).





Naval Spent Fuel Shipment Exercises





2026 Virginia Exercise Scenario

- Planned in partnership with Commonwealth of Virginia, City of Newport News, and CSX
- Exercise will simulate a railroad crossing accident of an M-290 spent fuel shipment from Newport News, Virginia to the Naval Reactors Facility on the Idaho National Laboratory
- Simulated accident location is Harpersville Road in Newport News
- Exercise planned to be conducted at a nearby facility in Yorktown, VA
- First responders from the City of Newport News will establish incident command
- Planning is in-progress for the accident exercise and will continue over the next several months
- Accident exercise demonstration is scheduled for September 23, 2026

Invitations will be sent later this summer. If you are interested in attending the exercise, please contact Mark Salamon or Nick Plate – business cards are available on the table.



Questions



QR Code for Video of the
2024 Naval Spent Fuel Transportation Accident
Exercise in Idaho