Posting High Risk Sex Offenders on the Internet

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SD Regional Sex Offender Management System

SD Regional Registration Center

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SD Regional High-Risk Offender on Internet

SD Regional Sex Offender Pin Map
Objectives of Presentation

- Project overview
- Review completed project tasks
- Review legal opinions
- Review criteria for posting
- On-line prototype demonstration
Project Overview

- Chiefs’/Sheriff’s Committee recommended approval by PSC at 9/1/04 meeting
- Objectives:
  - Post high-risk sex offenders to Internet
  - All agencies would participate
  - Offender address to hundred block posted
  - Tied to Sex Offender Pin Map
Project Tasks Completed

- Developed criteria for determination of high risk offenders who meet Penal Code 290.45, authorizing internet posting
- Standardized regional data collection and validation
- Established process for monthly updates
- Obtained legal opinions
- Created audit capabilities
- Developed internet application
Legal Opinions

- Calif. State Attorney General
- Legislative Counsel of Calif.
- SD County Counsel
- City Attorney, City of San Diego
- Individual agency legal review
Criteria for Posting

- PC 290.45 authorizes posting of high-risk sex offender data to Internet under two conditions:
  - When Law Enforcement agency concludes it’s necessary to ensure public safety of a community within its jurisdiction, and;
  - The agency has reasonably reached this conclusion for each individual
Additional Criteria

- Offender status
- Risk zone
- Recent police contacts
- Prior contacts
- Victim preference
- Prior violence
- Travel outside our city
- Registration history
Next Steps

- Obtain completed collection forms from participating agencies
- Validate data for accuracy and completeness
- Conduct final agency acceptance testing
- Rollout application in production
- Monitor AB488 approval and impact
Recommendation

- Approve implementation of the high risk sex offender internet application
Questions ?