

Critical Infrastructure Colleagues and Partners,

As the Nation's chief risk advisor, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) works every day to improve and protect infrastructure security and essential operations throughout the United States—but we highlight our mission each November with Infrastructure Security Month, raising infrastructure security awareness and setting a theme for the coming year.

This year's theme is Critical Infrastructure in a Time of Transformation. As an agency, CISA recognizes the rapid shifts in how we are using technology, defending our Nation's electoral system, and adapting to the COVID environment.

The Nation's critical infrastructure is challenged by an increasing range of threats—extreme weather, aging infrastructure, cyberattacks, and terrorism, to name a few. Fortunately, the maturation of our work as an agency and our private sector partnerships have created resilience. CISA's focus on asset protection has grown into an overarching system that builds resilience from all threats and hazards.

As these threats become more complex, it's up to us to empower individuals to take the right steps at home, in the workplace, and at school to shore up our Nation's infrastructure security.

During November, I challenge you to refresh your infrastructure security knowledge and spread effective messages in your community and to our stakeholders by offering (and following) these tips:

- Identify and prioritize the ability of essential workers to work safely while supporting ongoing infrastructure operations across the Nation;
- Bring awareness to misinformation, disinformation, and conspiracy theories appearing online related to COVID-19, 5G, election security, or other critical infrastructure, functions, or threats;
- Recognize the transformative challenge of securing infrastructure and responding to disasters during a global pandemic; and
- Understand the modernization of critical infrastructure as we “Defend Today, Secure Tomorrow.”

I encourage you to visit the CISA's Infrastructure Security Month webpage and share this information with your colleagues. In addition, be sure to follow CISA on Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube. And keep your eye out for

emails to learn more about spreading the infrastructure security message as you all continue to “Defend Today, Secure Tomorrow.”

Sincerely,

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Lead the National effort to understand and manage
cyber and physical risk to our critical infrastructure.

