

Maritime Cybersecurity Project Timeline

December: Contact stakeholders and build the community, starting with a core planning team and an advisory group.

January: Create, disseminate, and analyze a survey to establish current levels of organizational understanding of cyber threats, current preparedness, continuity of operations, and response planning, and communications plans and protocols.

February: Hold a kickoff conference call with stakeholders to discuss the survey and begin the creation of a standard concept of operations (CONOPS) for best practices in the recognition, reporting, and response to a cyber incident. Use the National Institute of Standards, NIST 1.1 Cybersecurity Framework as the guideline.

March: Host a workshop to review survey findings and begin the creation of a Draft CONOPS

April/May: Host a second workshop with stakeholders to review and finalize the CONOPS that will establish the criteria for reporting incidents, type, size, location, impacts, etc. as well as the community response process.

May: Produce final DRAFT CONOPS

June 13th: Maritime Cybersecurity Tabletop Exercise

August: Test the CONOPS via a tabletop exercise with all stakeholders. Prepare AAR. Revise CONOPS based on exercise outcomes.

September: Final report and final CONOPS submitted to DHS