County of Los Angeles

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

March 26, 2020

COVID-19 SCAMS

PHISHING EMAILS

- DON'T CLICK ON PHISHING EMAILS, LINKS, OR ATTACHMENTS YOU DON'T RECOGNIZE;

FAKE CDC EMAILS

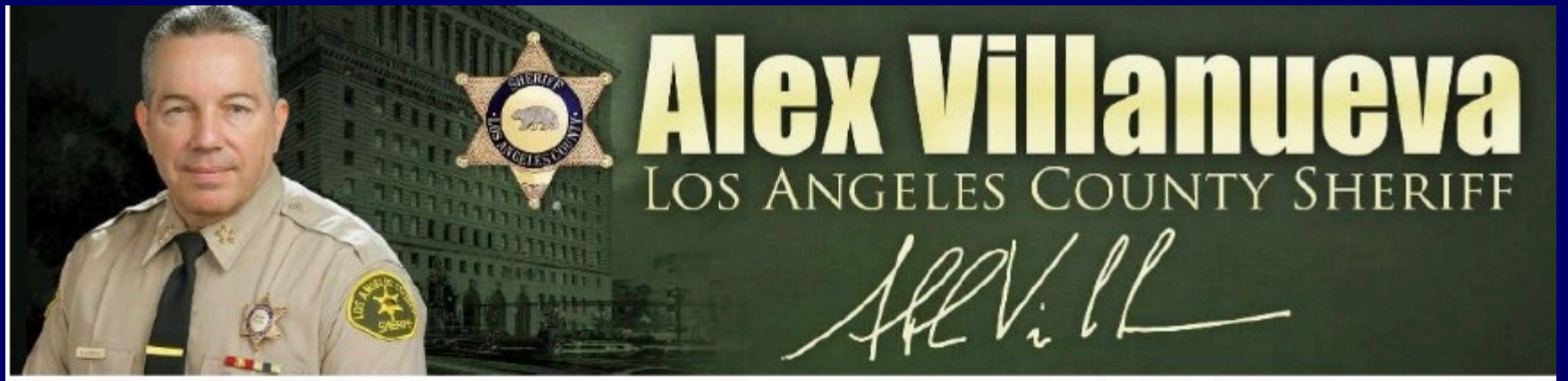
- HOVER OVER THE LINK TO VERIFY THE URL (UNIFORM RESOURCE LOCATOR) DOMAIN NAME.

CHARITY ORGANIZATIONS

- DO SOME RESEARCH BEFORE CONTRIBUTING TO A CHARITY.

COUNTERFEIT TREATMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

- FOR INFORMATION ABOUT UNAPPROVED OR COUNTERFEIT PRODUCTS, GO TO WWW.CDC.GOV/NIOSH



Stores Which Sell Guns and Ammunition:

By order of the Sheriff of Los Angeles County, gun and ammunition stores are not considered essential businesses and must close to the general public, in compliance with the Executive Order-N-33-20 and County of Los Angeles Safer at Home Order for Control of COVID-19.

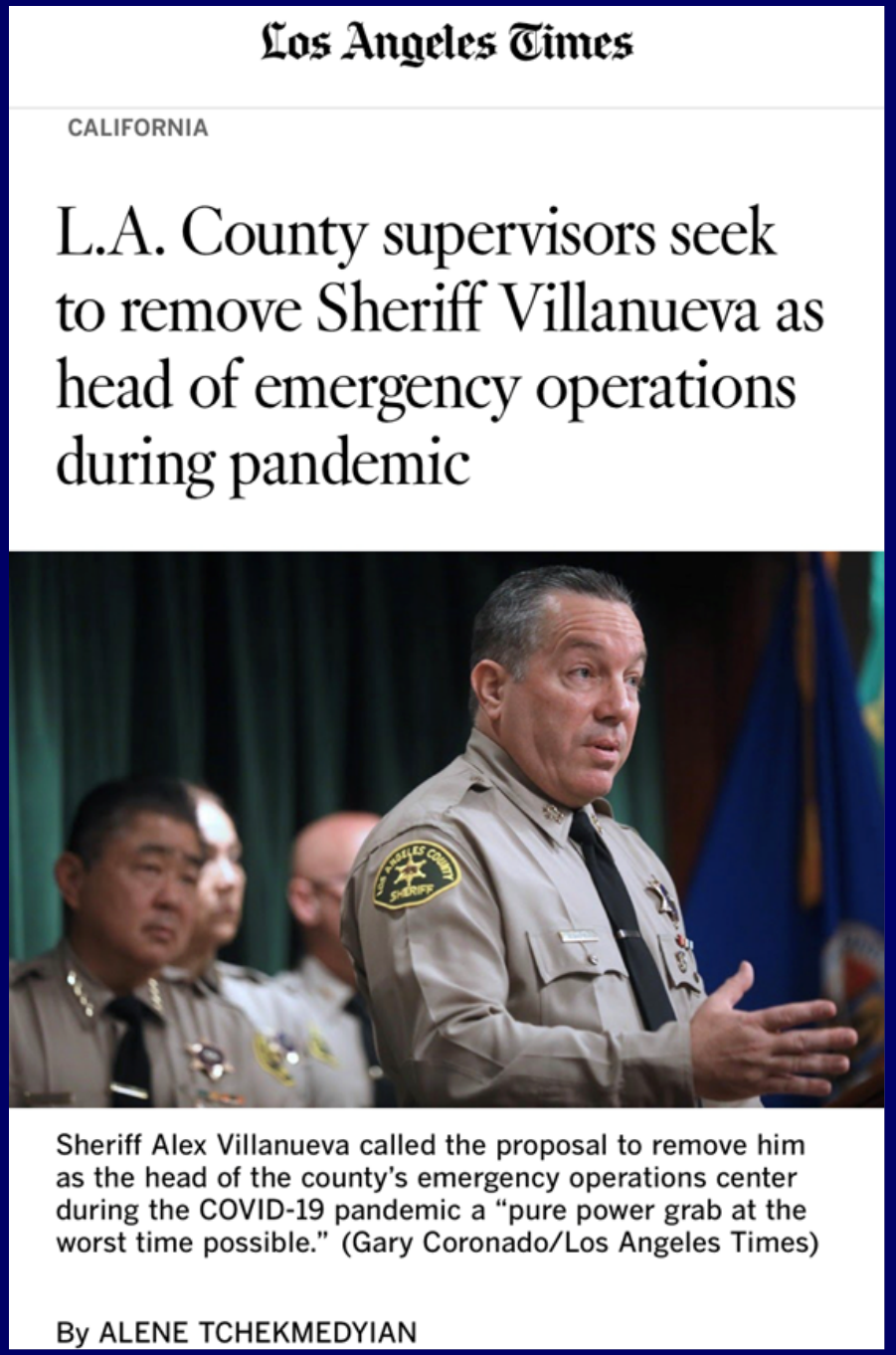
During the closure, they shall be permitted to sell ammunition to security guard companies. Also, I am making an exception for those who have already lawfully purchased a firearm, possess a valid California Firearms Safety certificate (CFS), and simply need to take possession of their firearm.

I conferred with the Los Angeles County Police Chiefs Association (LACPCA) and they support my decision to direct that action in the 42 contract cities and unincorporated Los Angeles County areas under the Sheriff's jurisdiction. I have deferred to the discretion of each individual chief of police as to their own jurisdictions.

Sheriff Alex Villanueva

PUBLIC SAFETY

- We have NEVER seen anything like this pandemic in our lifetimes.
- People need masks, gloves, and sanitizer. But what are the Board of Supervisors making their priority, removing me as the Director of Emergency Operations in the middle of a world crisis.
- This transition places all of us all in peril. That is not fear mongering, it is a fact.



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CALIFORNIA

L.A. County supervisors seek to remove Sheriff Villanueva as head of emergency operations during pandemic

Sheriff Alex Villanueva called the proposal to remove him as the head of the county's emergency operations center during the COVID-19 pandemic a "pure power grab at the worst time possible." (Gary Coronado/Los Angeles Times)

By ALENE TCHEKMEDYIAN

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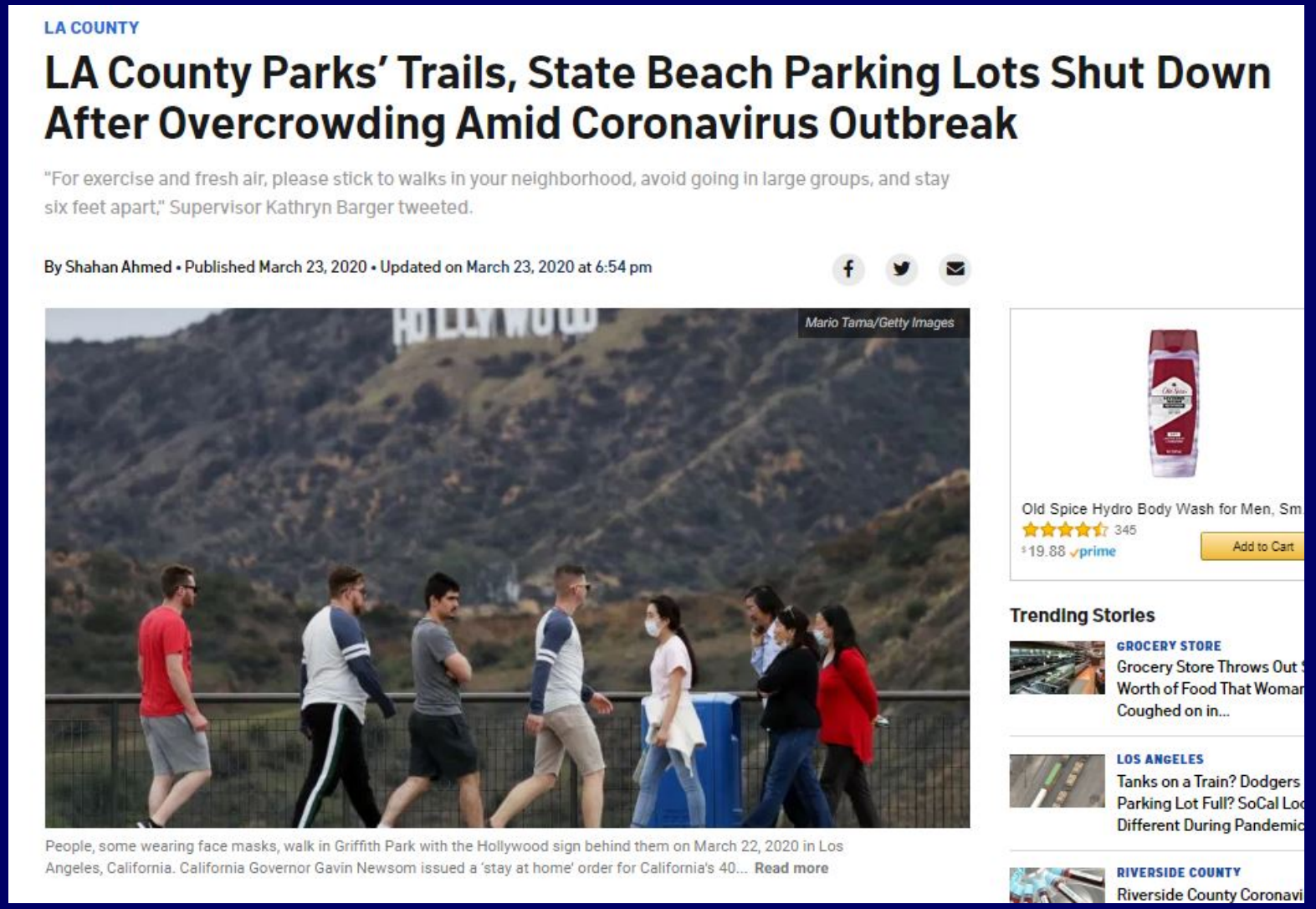

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LA County Parks’ Trails, State Beach Parking Lots Shut Down After Overcrowding Amid Coronavirus Outbreak

“For exercise and fresh air, please stick to walks in your neighborhood, avoid going in large groups, and stay six feet apart,” Supervisor Kathryn Barger tweeted.

By Shahan Ahmed • Published March 23, 2020 • Updated on March 23, 2020 at 6:54 pm

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'A complete zoo': Santa Monica closes beach parking lots, Malibu issues reminder to deter crowds

by: Kristina Bravo, Nerissa Knight, Sara Welch

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Coronavirus Has Inspired a Run on Guns in Los Angeles

Locals lining up to purchase firearms amid the coronavirus outbreak—many of them first-time buyers—have everything from the L.A. riots to 'The Walking Dead' on their minds

By Jason McGahan - March 16, 2020

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Toilet paper and hand sanitizer aren't the only commodities that Los Angelenos are panic buying to cope with coronavirus fears.

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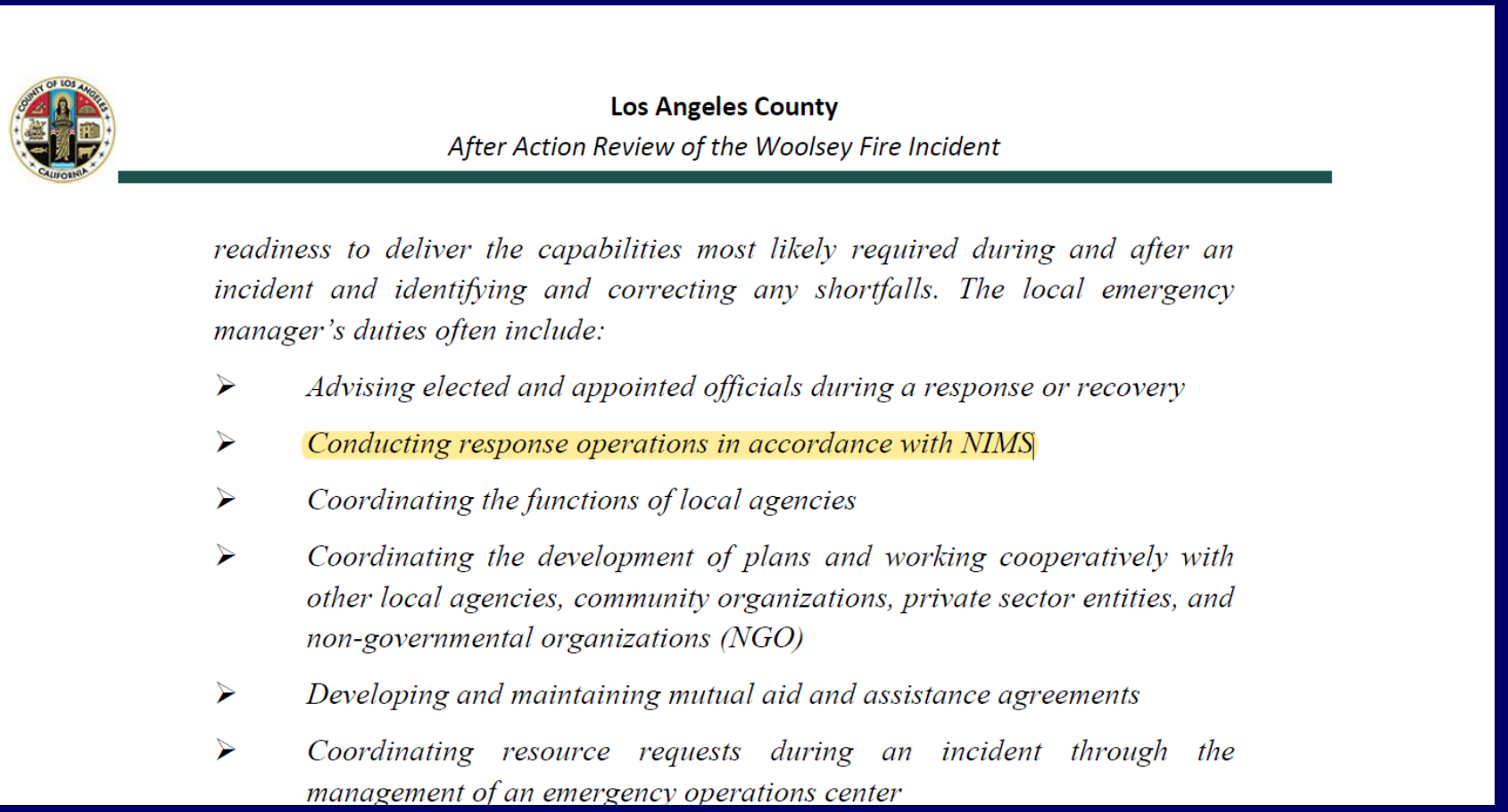
This has become a opportunity for politicians to thank each other for doing what they were elected to do.

“Viewer Fatigue” is setting in.

The message is being lost.

“Woolsey Fire Report”

Since the Governor’s declaration, I have attempted to gain NIMS compliance from the BOS and CEO (exactly as recommended by the Board’s own report).



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After Action Review of the Woolsey Fire Incident

readiness to deliver the capabilities most likely required during and after an incident and identifying and correcting any shortfalls. The local emergency manager’s duties often include:

- *Advising elected and appointed officials during a response or recovery*
- *Conducting response operations in accordance with NIMS*
- *Coordinating the functions of local agencies*
- *Coordinating the development of plans and working cooperatively with other local agencies, community organizations, private sector entities, and non-governmental organizations (NGO)*
- *Developing and maintaining mutual aid and assistance agreements*
- *Coordinating resource requests during an incident through the management of an emergency operations center*

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Additionally, I have attempted to gain compliance from the BOS and CEO in the areas of "unified command" and "incident command."

**A subject in "County leadership" was specifically identified as needing improvement.*

their roles, to work together under a multi-agency, common incident communications strategy and have redundant tools with which to reach the public—*at the same quick pace that incidents grow.*

- During the initial phases of evacuations, the City of Malibu, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (County Sheriff's Department), LA County Fire, and all other stakeholders worked on the evacuation of over 250,000 residences. While successful, the effort may not be reproducible as, in the early hours, there was not a clear, single, comprehensive voice speaking to evacuation, and not all notification tools were used or used often enough.
- There was an over-reliance on Twitter; care must also be taken to account for the digital divide in which not everyone is on Twitter or even the internet, creating the need for multiple methods of public emergency communication.
- Entry and repopulation policies were not well briefed to checkpoints or the public.

Collaboration: County leadership should strive for a more collaborative "One Team LA" mindset. This applies to not just the County agencies, but to the cities and special districts for wide-area multiple-county events. Every large area emergency must be framed as a unified command operation where key decision makers come together under an Incident Commander who uses policy direction to determine objectives, achieve unity of effort, and direct a single voice for communications. The public may not always know what agency directly serves them—but in these situations, every Southern Californian expects and deserves seamless collaboration.

- As this fire demonstrated, wildfires do not respect jurisdictional lines of agencies,

This is the recommendation which is being used to move forward with this power grab.

"Reset" does not mean "remove the Sheriff" as Director of Emergency Operations.

203 pages of a report which the BOS paid for and influenced, for a fire which did not occur under my command, and this became the only sentence which mattered.

2. Advance an initiative with all applicable public agencies and private interest groups that are involved in the Santa Monica Mountains region to develop a unified, comprehensive, and strategic wildfire hazard reduction plan.

3. Encourage the major fire departments in the area to evaluate creating a sub-regional (three county) Multiple-Agency Coordination and Control Center within the State mutual aid system that will utilize technology to enhance situational awareness and create a shared, *real-time* intelligence, information, and command center on an around-the-clock basis. This concept should further existing agreements and enhance the ability of agencies to work collaboratively during the first one to two days of a catastrophic disaster, for the common welfare, at a pace faster than the Statewide mutual aid system can provide.

4. Reset the operation of the County EOC to the Los Angeles County Office of Emergency Management (County Emergency Management) to become the central coordination and support hub for all County agencies and the County Operational Area by activating and managing the County EOC.

5. Work with Federal officials to advocate Federal disaster reimbursement changes as needed. Federal approvals often cover many County costs, but other costs may not be reimbursable, including long-term animal housing costs for the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control (County Animal Care). As another example, some private property debris removal (PPDR) policies on items such as foundations do not work in California. In addition, the burn scars that result from wildfires are prone to mud and debris flows from winter rains. This subsequent loss

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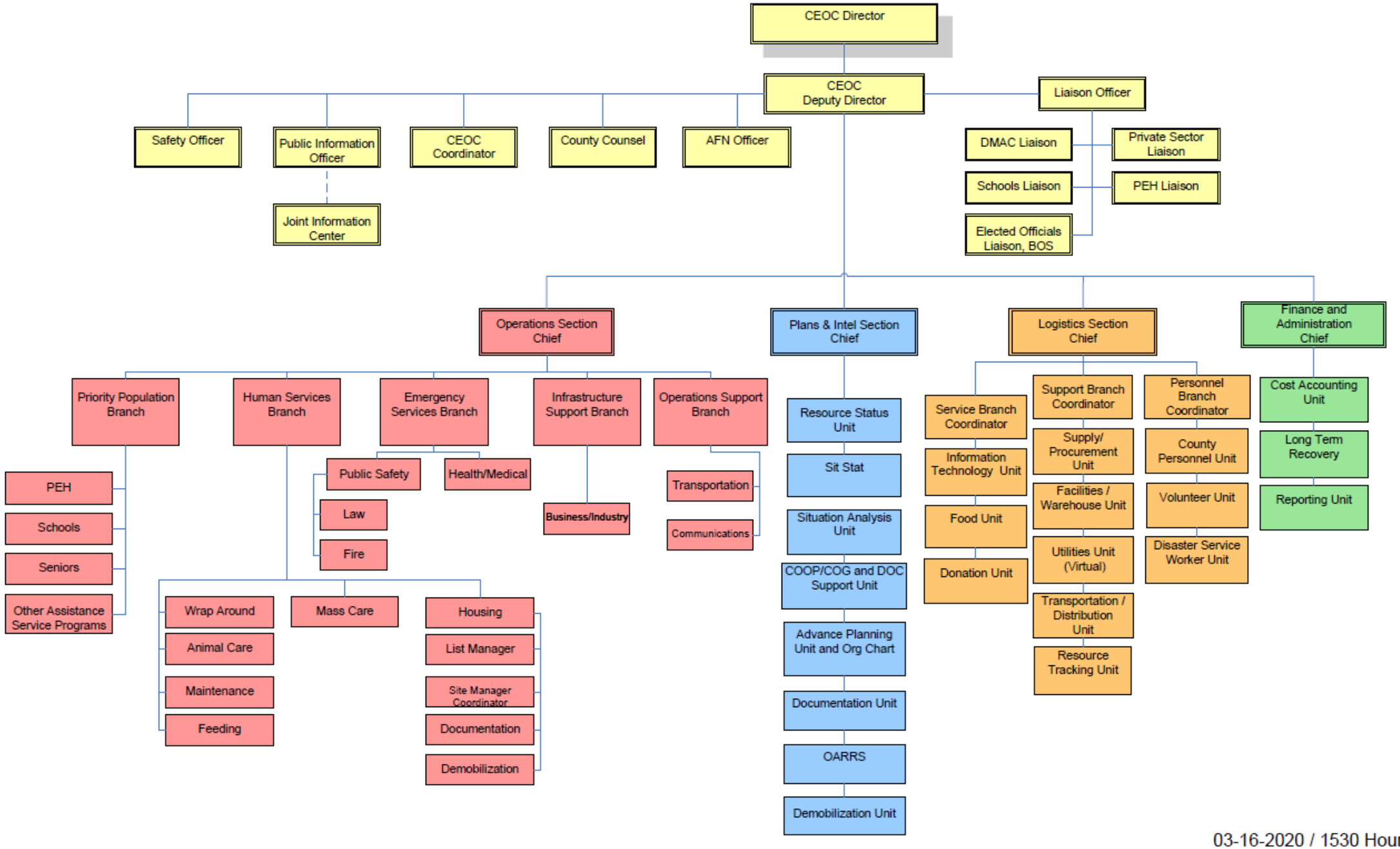

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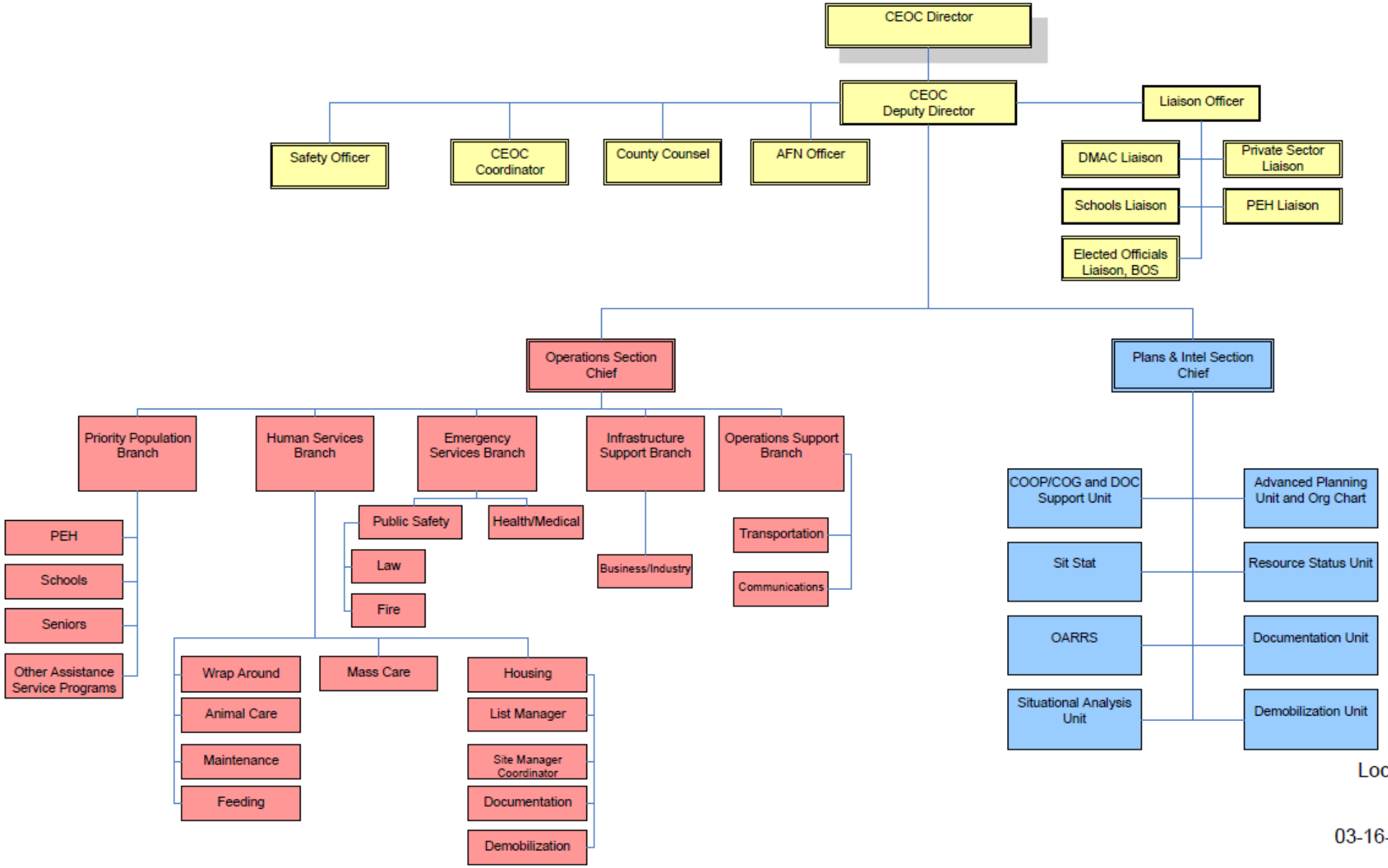

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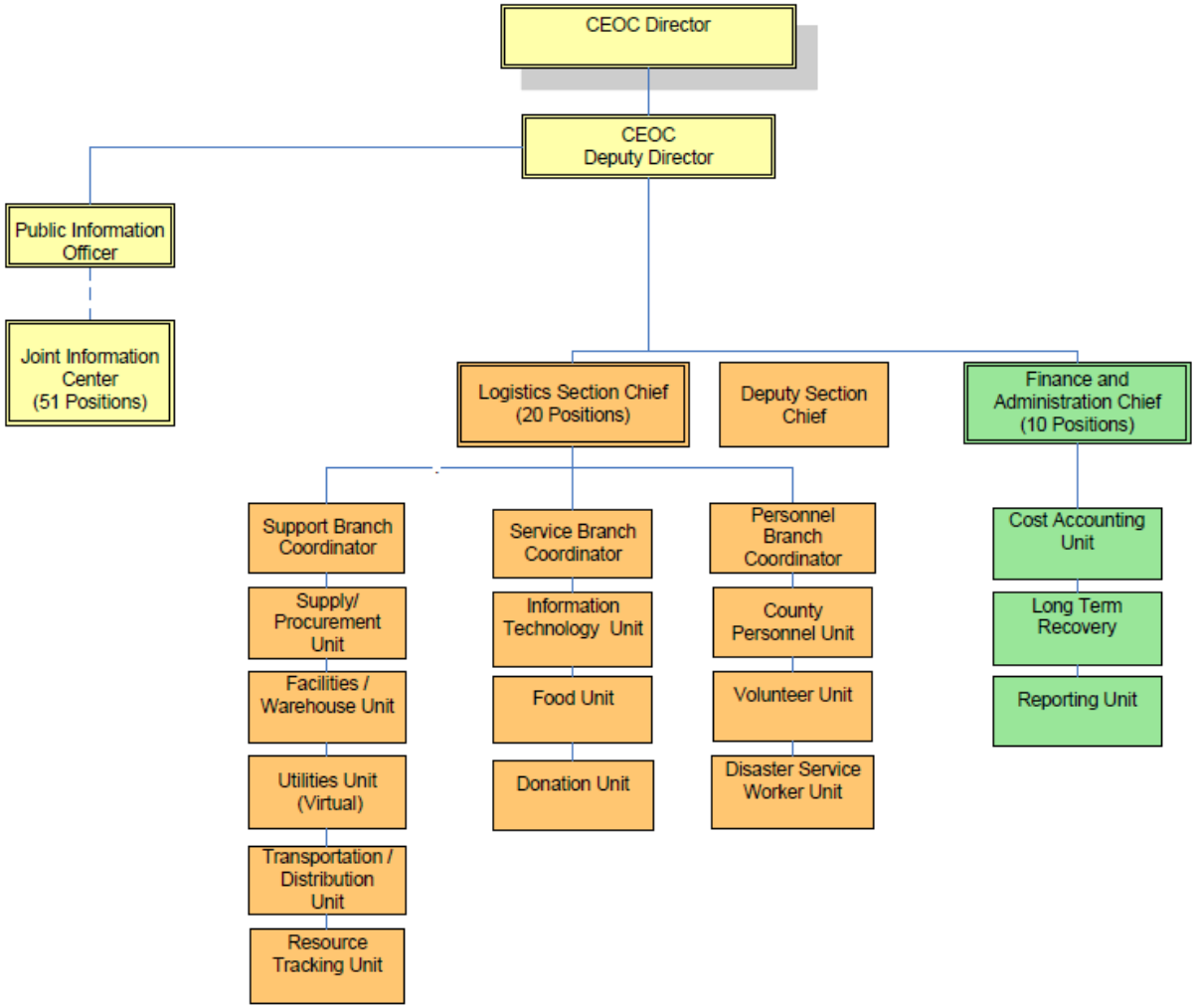

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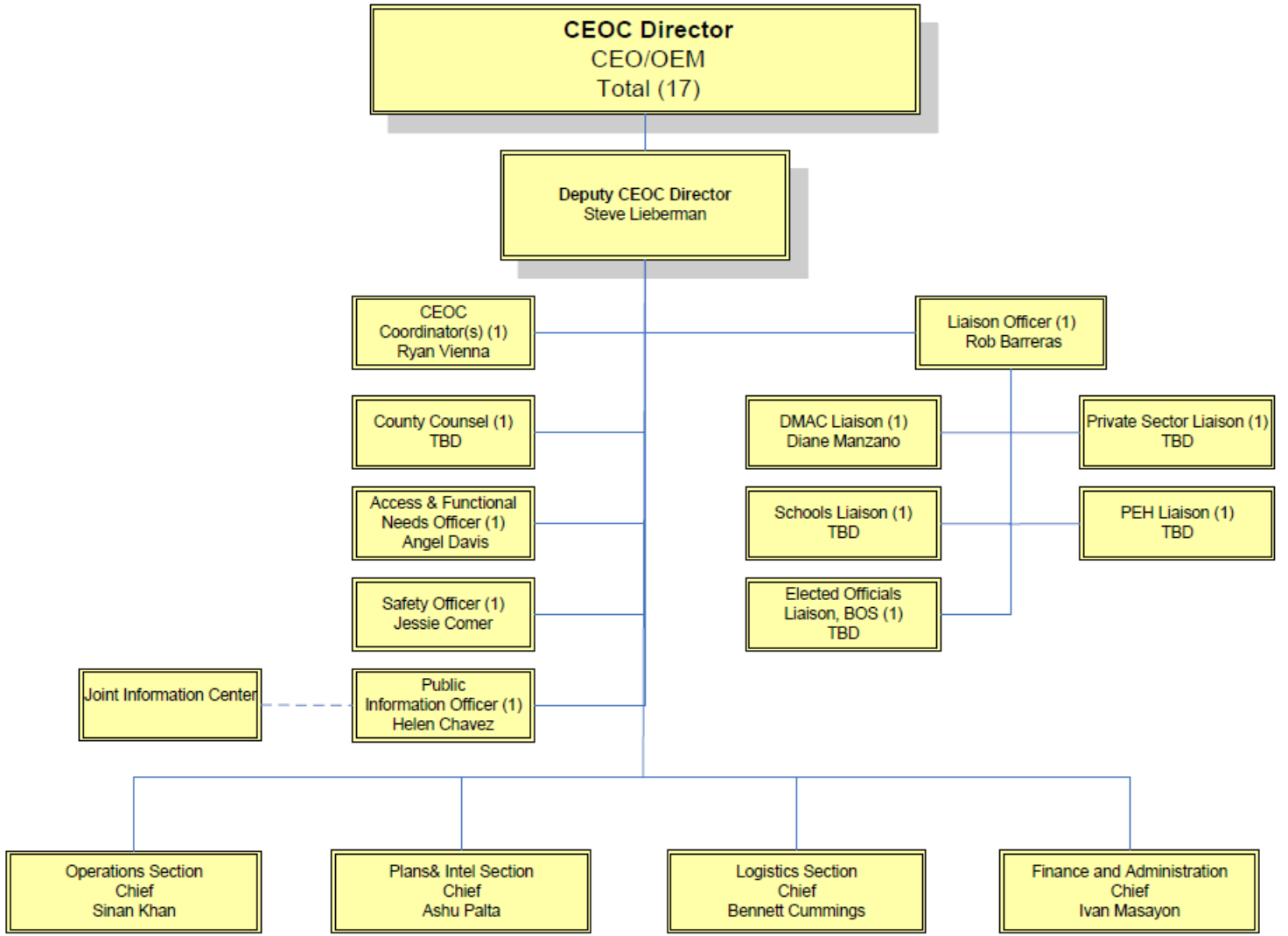

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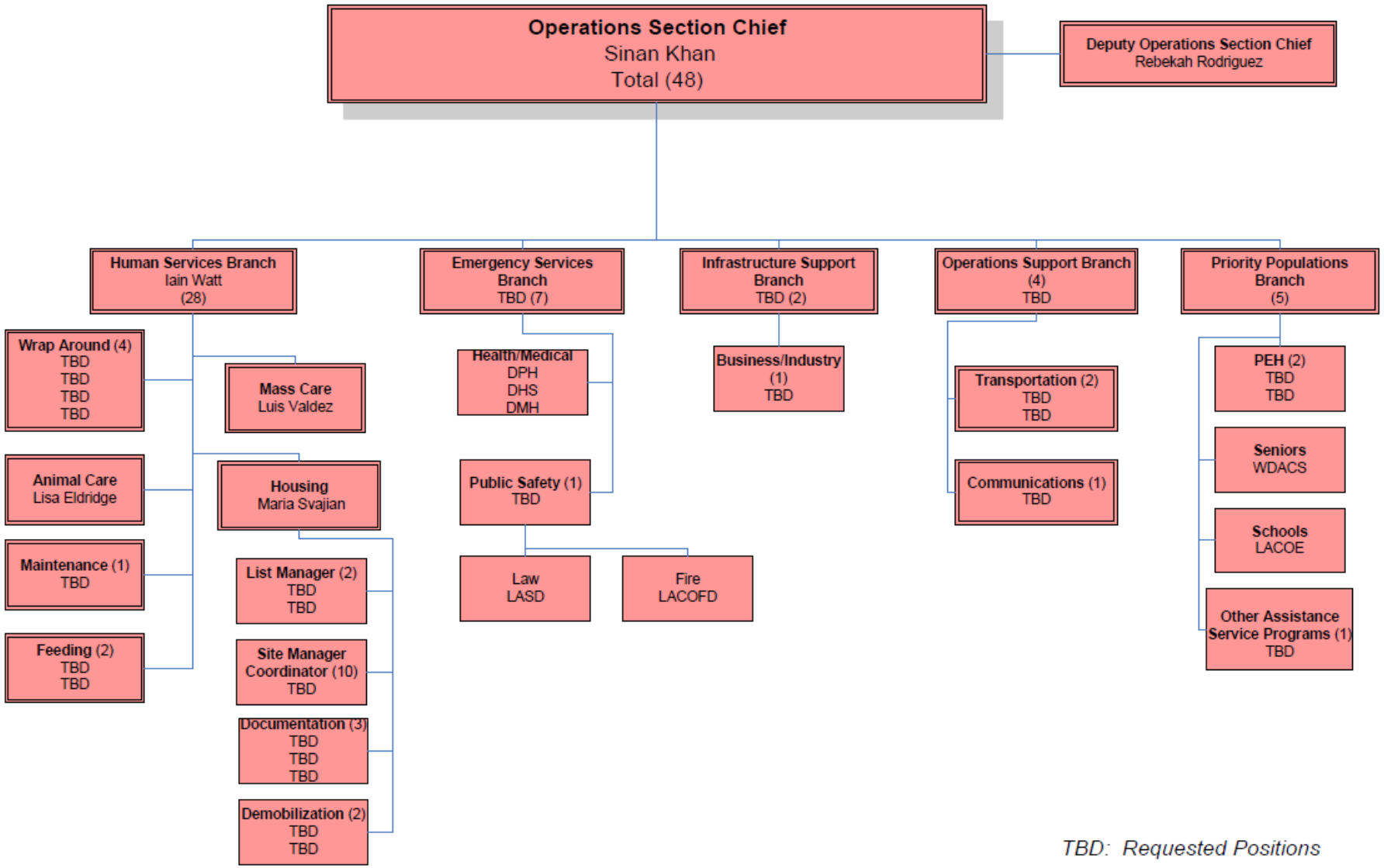

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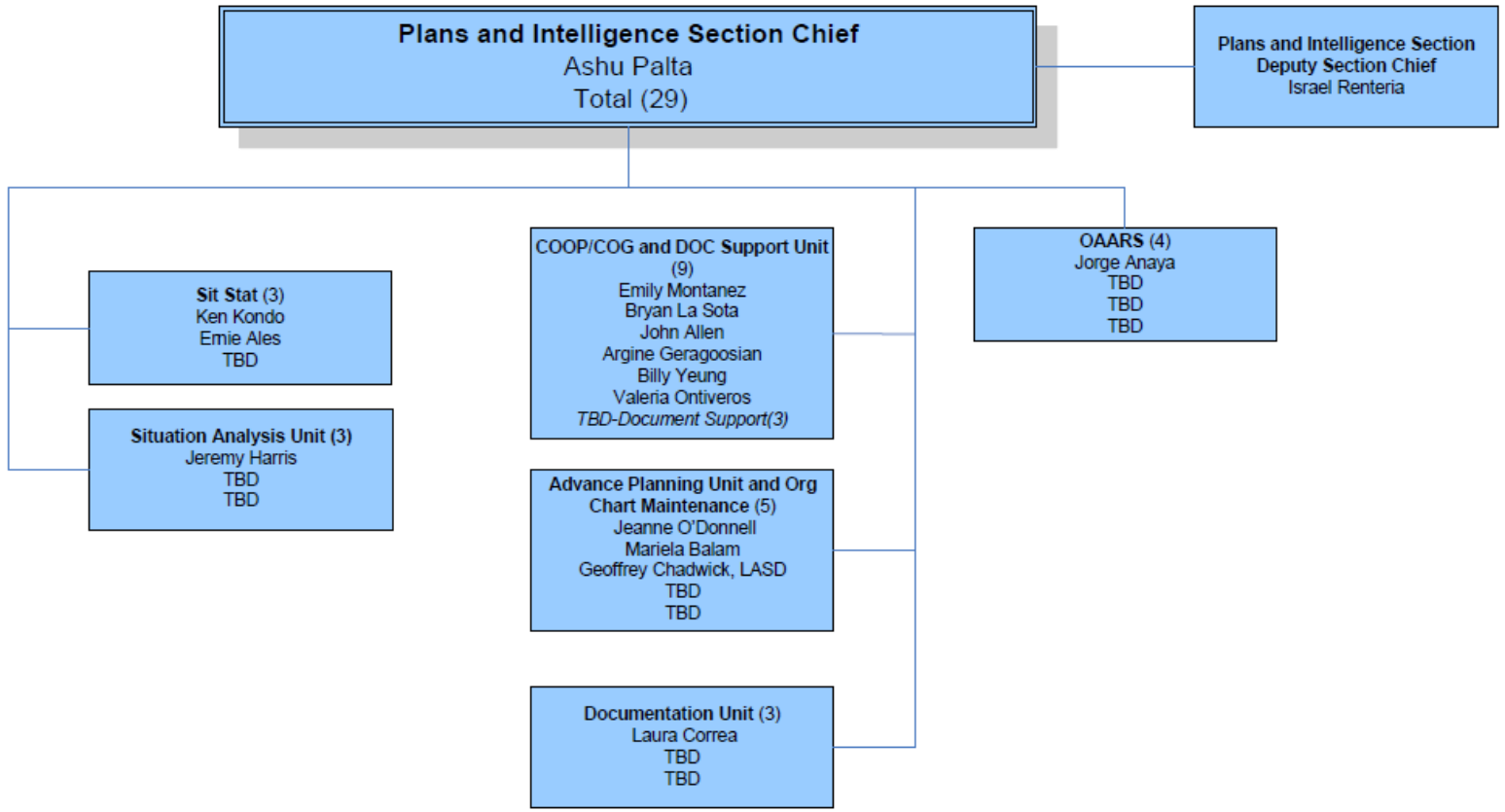

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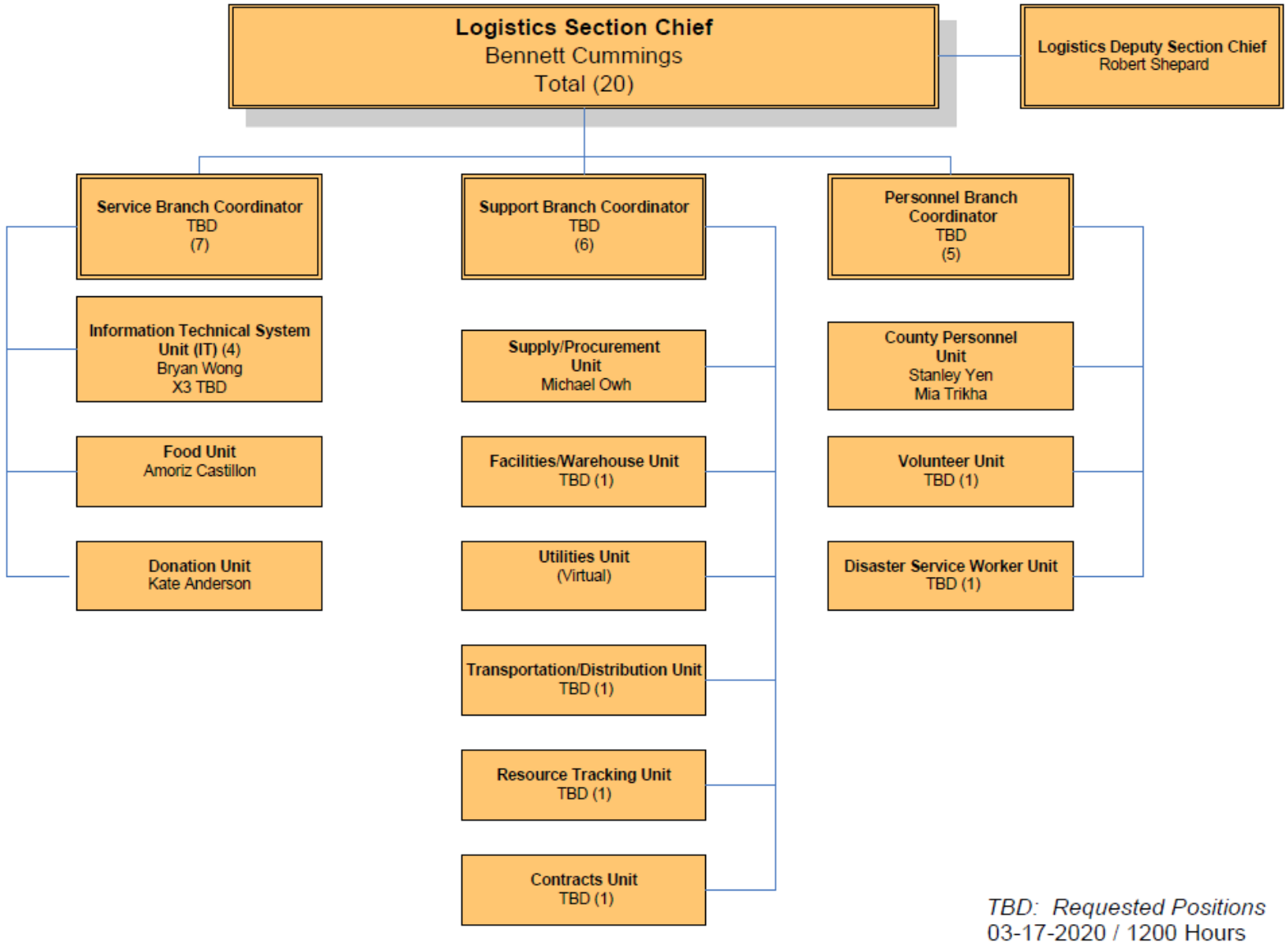

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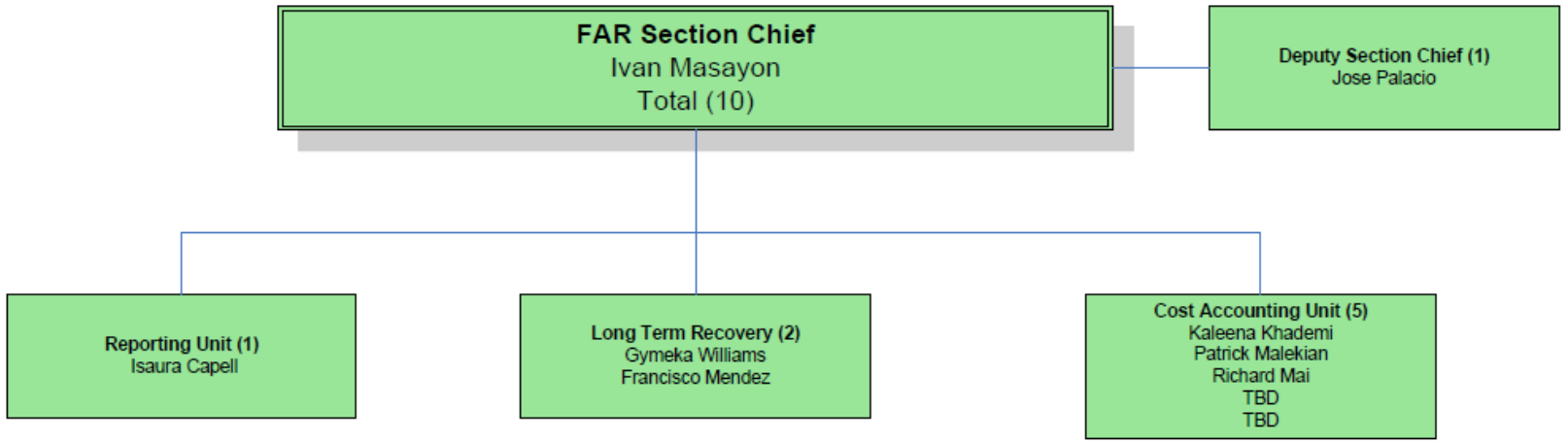

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