

Special Event Planning

2008 Republican National Convention



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Overview

Republican National Convention
September 1-4, 2008
Saint Paul, Minnesota

- Timeline
- Planning
- Organization & Operations
 - Federal, Local, State
- Takeaways

2008 Republican National Convention

Saint Paul, Minnesota

- September of 2006 – Saint Paul Selected as RNC Host City
 - January of 2007 – Governor Requests NSSE Designation
 - March of 2007 – NSSE Designation Granted by DHS
 - May of 2007 – Executive Steering Committee Established
 - September 1, 2008 – Convention Begins
 - September 4, 2008 – Convention Concludes
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National Special Security Event

- NSPD – 46/HSPD - 15
 - Designated by Secretary of Homeland Security
 - Incident of National Significance
 - Lead Federal Agencies
 - U. S. Secret Service
 - FBI
 - FEMA
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U.S. Secret Service

- LEAD Federal Agency:
 - Security Design
 - Security Planning
 - Security Implementation

FBI

- LEAD Federal Agency:
 - Crisis Management
 - Counterterrorism

FEMA

LEAD Federal Agency

- Consequence Management

City of Saint Paul

- Signed Contract with RNC
- Obligated to Provide City Services
- Saint Paul Police Department and Saint Paul Fire Department become LEAD Local Agency

Saint Paul Police Department

Saint Paul Fire Department

Saint Paul Emergency Management

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 - Security Design
 - Security Planning
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NSSE Advance Process

- Executive Steering Committee
 - Agency Heads
 - Final decision making body
 - Resolves conflicts between agencies
 - Subcommittees
 - Specific area of responsibilities
 - Empowered to make decisions
 - Develop objectives/set timelines/brief completion
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**YOU NEVER
KNOW WHO
MIGHT BE
HANGING
AROUND
THINK OPSEC**

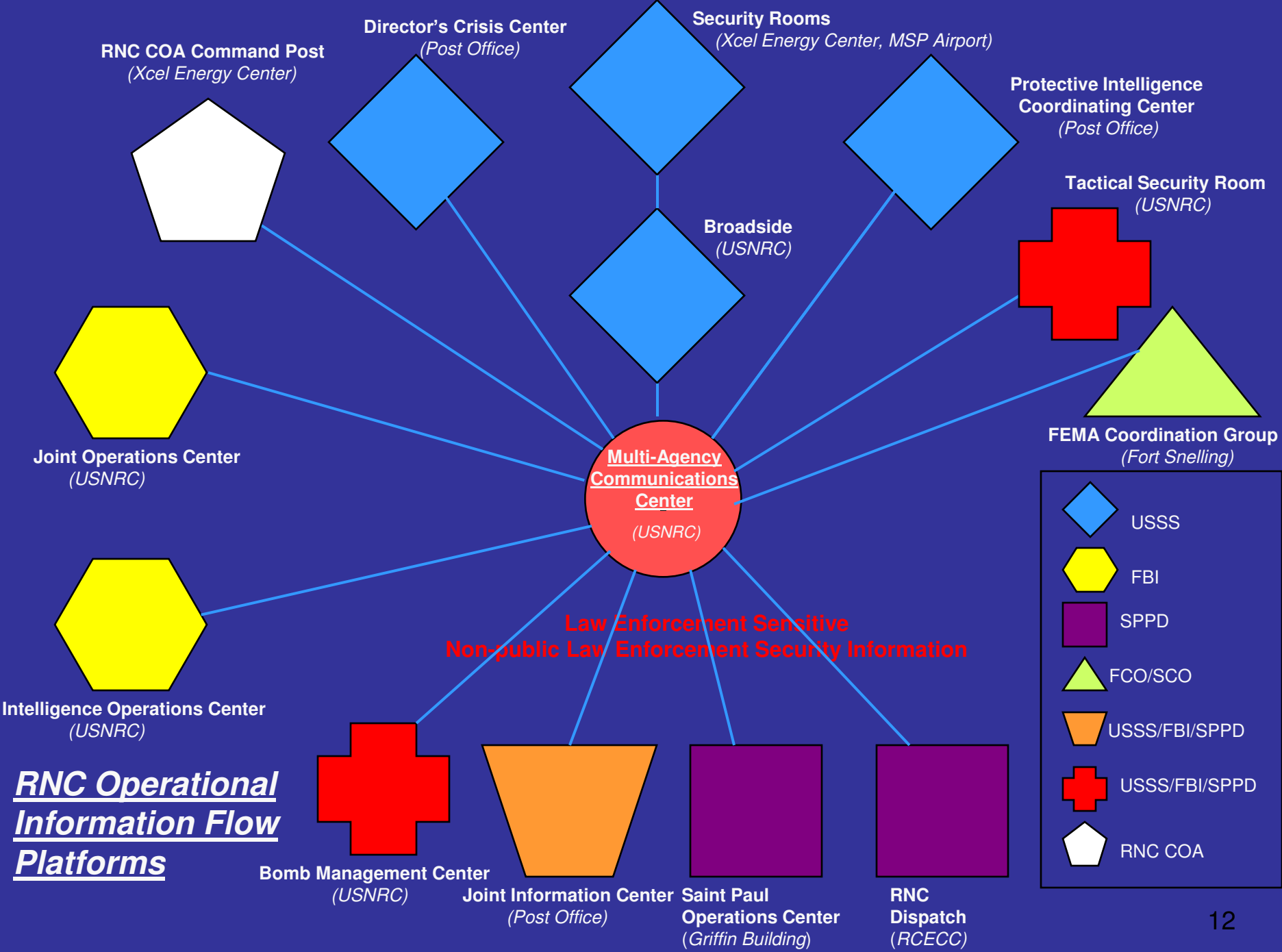


Organization & Operations

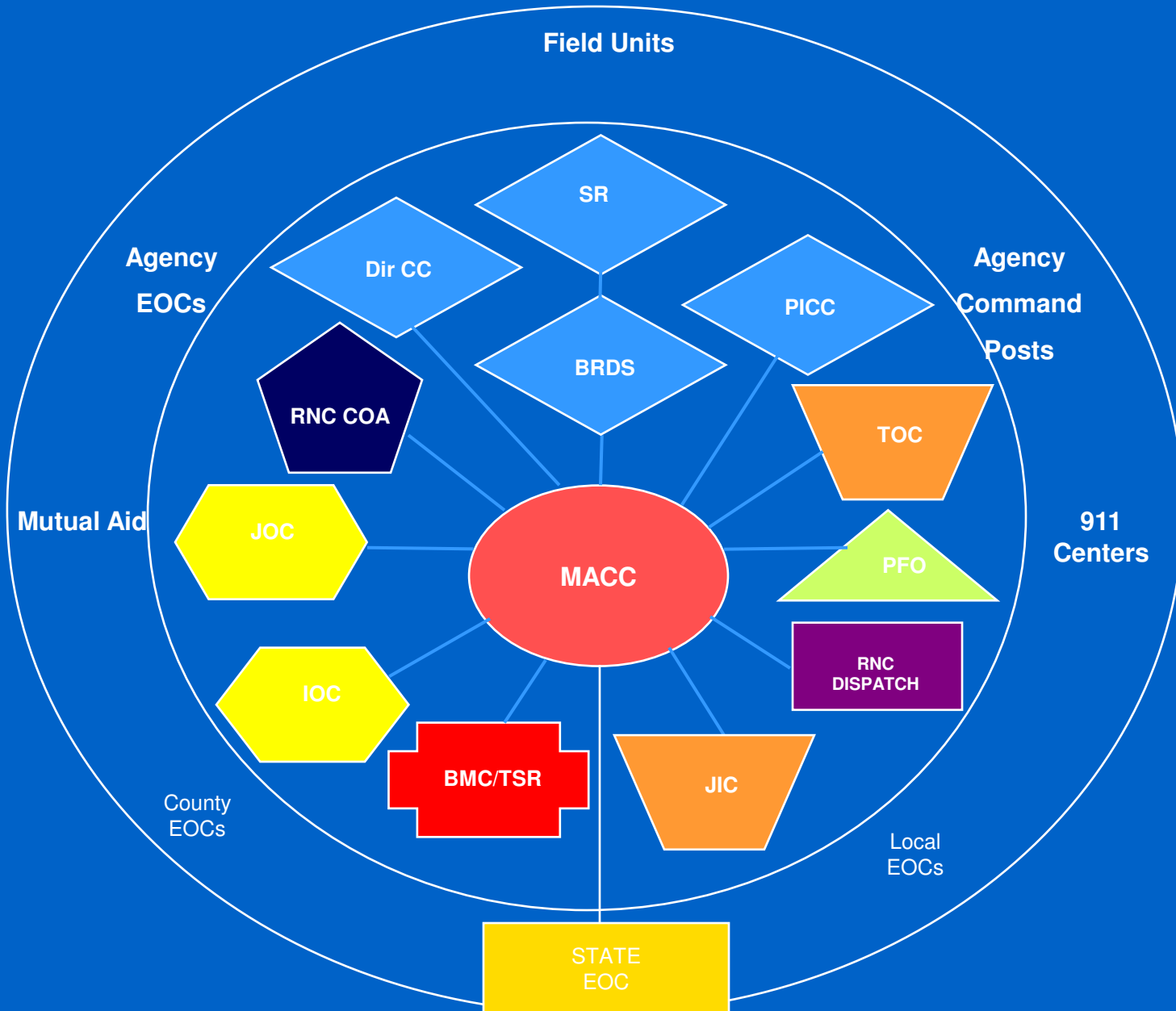
- Operations Centers
 - Federal
 - MACC
 - Local
 - State

RNC Operational Information Systems

- Telephone Lines
- Internet (Blue Lines & Green Lines)
- USSS Event Monitor
- MNDOT Fiber Link
- USSS VTC
- USSS Radio Systems
- USSS Radio Interoperability



Information Flow – NSSE Plus External Facilities



What is the MACC?

- A centralized **COMMUNICATIONS** and **COORDINATION** center operated 24 hours a day during the NSSE.
- Staffed by representatives from all participating operational security entities, local government operations, and public and private institutions who are responsible for the critical infrastructures of power, gas and telecommunications.
- Work Product:
 - Timely dissemination of information to all entities participating in **operational security**, **crisis management**, and **consequence management**.
 - Provide the **Common Operational Picture** to support decision-making and command and control activities.
 - To serve as the **centralized coordination center** for security-related activities.

COORDINATION

- Most resources in Twin Cities Metropolitan Area at any one time in history.
- The MACC is the coordination point where these resources could be used for a crisis or consequence outside of the NSSE (if needed).
- Participating agencies in the MACC and other partners had access to the MACC at any time during the event to utilize the event's public safety resources to assure that the normal delivery of public safety responses from their agency were uninterrupted.
- Communication + Coordination – Not Command

MACC Seating Chart

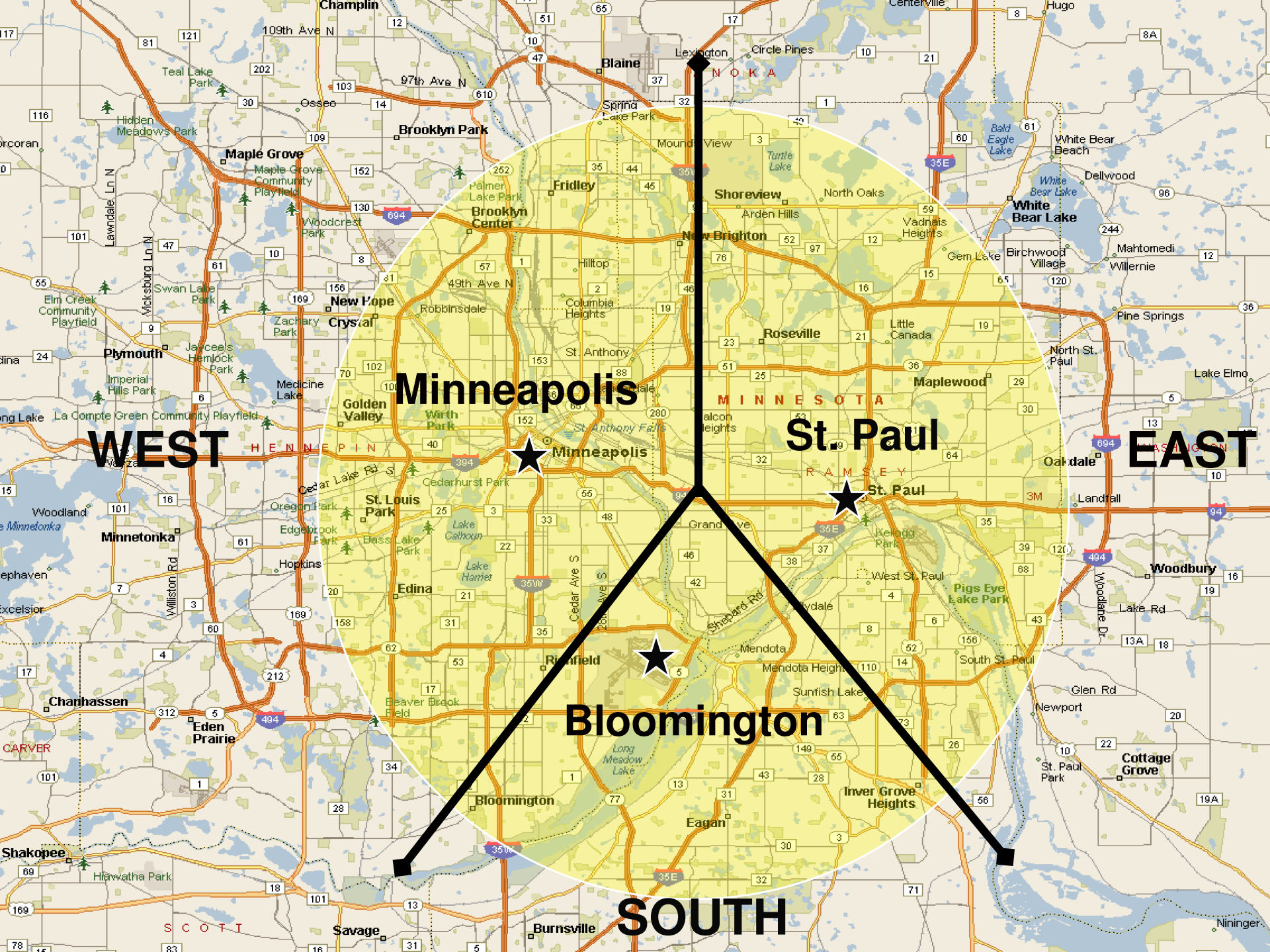
MACC SEATING CHART

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Saint Paul Operations Centers

Command Posts

- Local
 - RNC Dispatch (Ramsey County ECC)
 - St. Paul Operations Center
 - Saint Paul Emergency Management, SPPD, SPFD, Public Works, and others
 - Ramsey County Emergency Communication (911 Center)
 - Other 911 Call Centers
- State
 - Minnesota State EOC
 - MNDOT Regional Traffic Management Center (RTMC)
 - Minnesota National Guard Joint Operations Center
- Other Federal
 - DoD: Joint Task Force Minnesota (JTF-MN)
 - FBI JOC
 - FBI IOC



WEST

EAST

Bloomington

St. Paul

Minneapolis

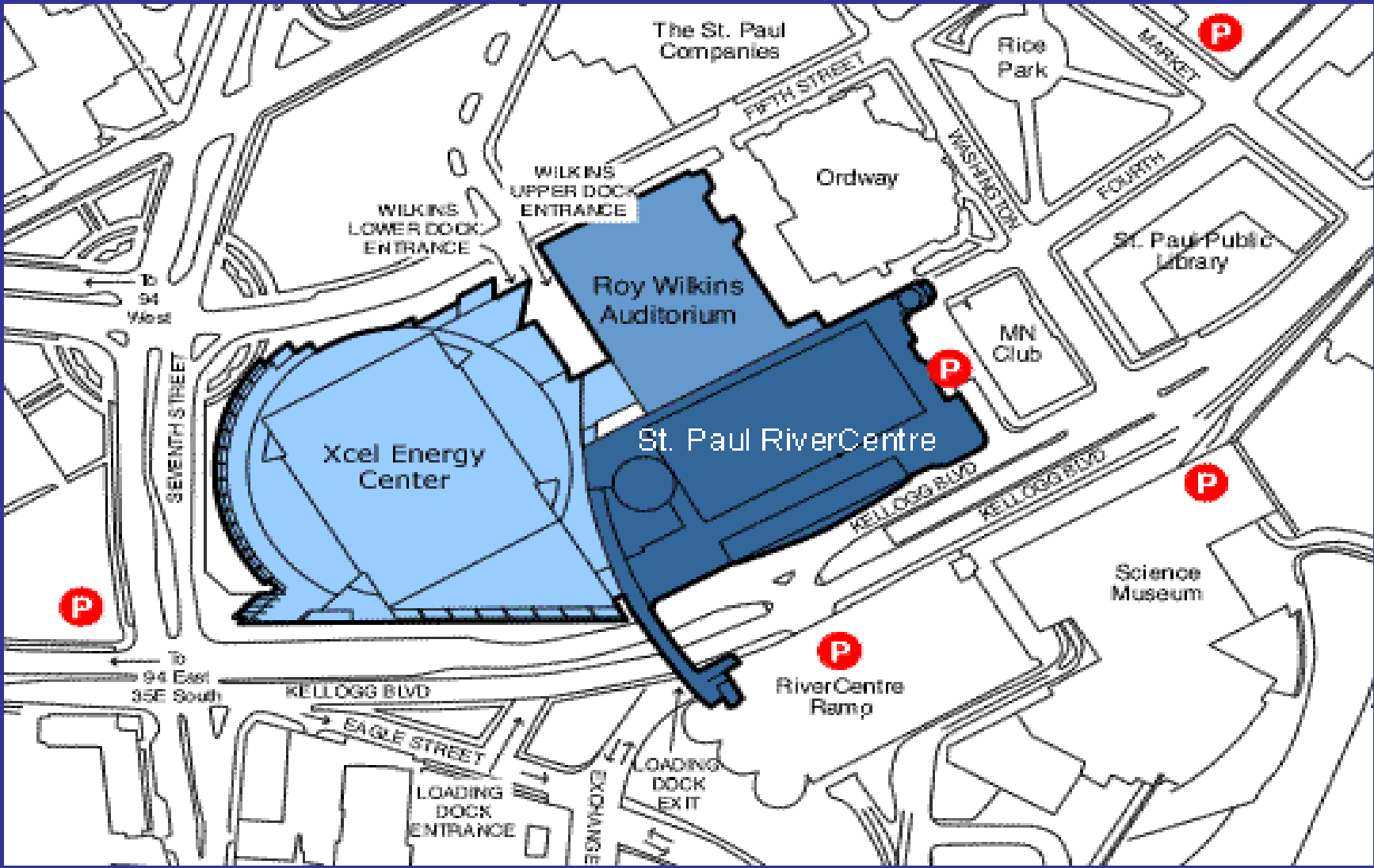
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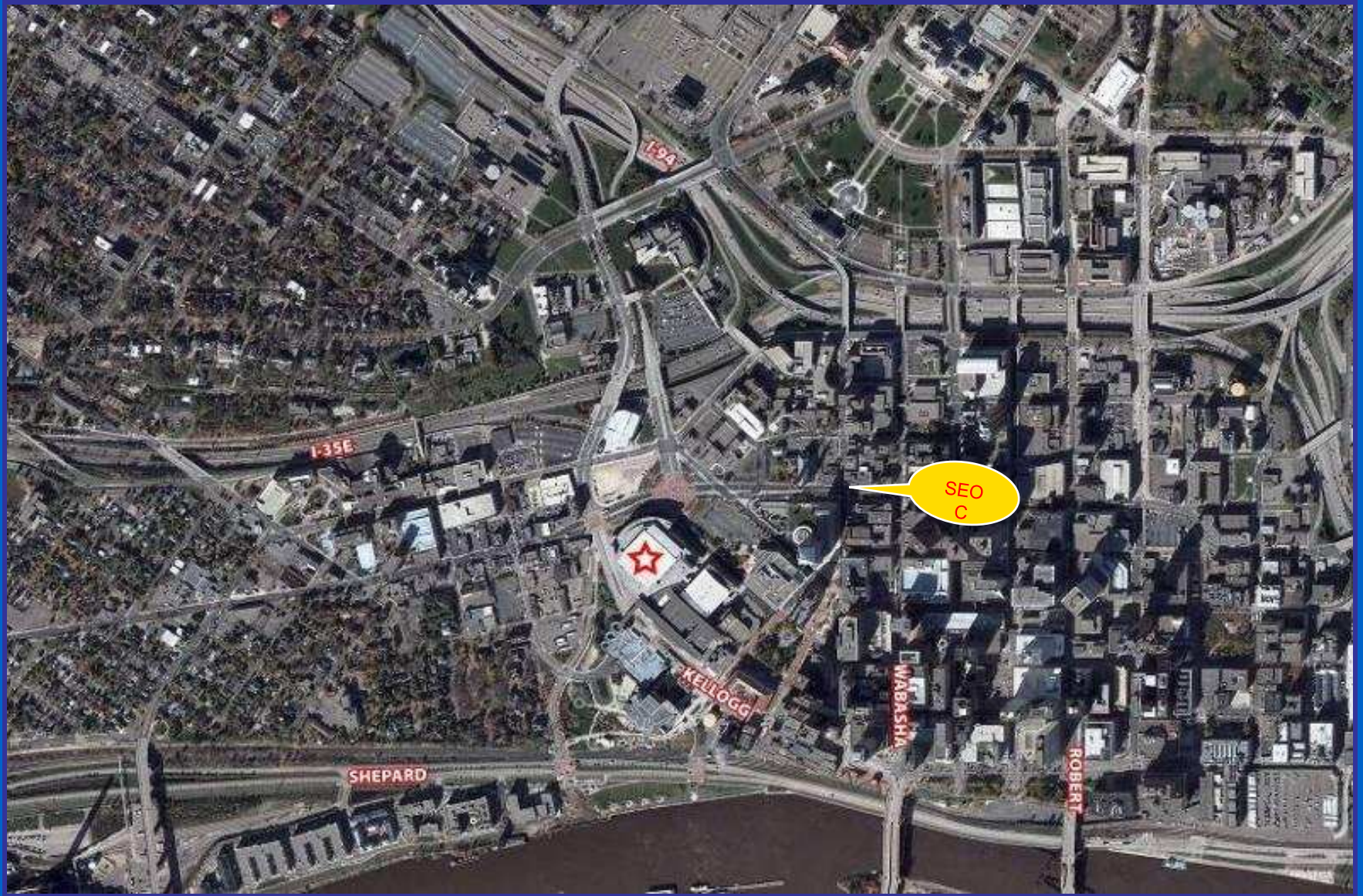
State EOC Operations

- Concept of Operations
- Security
- Logistics
- Staffing
- Funding

The Venue



Overhead 500 Yards

















FREE PARKING

MICKEY'S DINING CAR

Takeaways

- USSS Knows Their Job and They Do It Well
- Learn From Others
- Relationships, Relationships, Relationships
- Semper Gumby (Always Flexible)
- Value the Experience



THANK YOU

...To the City of Saint Paul Police Office, Ramsey County Sheriff's Office and law enforcement and public safety professionals from throughout the State of Hockey and all across the nation who worked diligently, side-by-side with federal officials, to ensure safety and security of our employees, citizens and visitors from all across the country.

...To the citizens of the State of Hockey for hosting the most successful and memorable Republican National Convention in history brought here through the leadership of our elected officials.

...To those Host Committee volunteers whose tireless efforts showed the world the best of our great state.

Questions?

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