

# The Beyond the Border Action Plan

Updates on Key Initiatives

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## The objective of this presentation is:

- To provide updates on key BtB initiatives currently underway at the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA).

## CBSA's Role

- The BtB Action Plan establishes 32 initiatives to be delivered over a one-to-five year timeframe in collaboration with other federal entities and the U.S..
- Of the 32 initiatives, the CBSA plays a role in 28 and is the lead on 10.

## CBSA-Led Initiatives

### Under the BtB Pillar of Addressing Threats Early

- Integrated Cargo Security Strategy
- Entry/Exit
- Interactive Advance Passenger Information

### Under the BtB Pillar of Trade Facilitation, Economic Growth and Jobs

- Trusted Trader Programs
- NEXUS Benefits
- Facilities for Trusted Programs
- Single Window
- Bi-national Port Operations Committees
- Small and Remote Ports
- Radio Frequency Identification



# Updates on Key Initiatives

## Trusted Trader Programs:

- Extended CSA eligibility to non-resident importers in the U.S.;
- PIP-member access to FAST lane at Blue Water Bridge, ON, expansion to other locations will follow.

## Single Window Initiative (SWI):

- SWI went live March 29, 2015;
- Canada incorporated 7 of 9 regulating government agencies as well as a major customs broker;
- Both countries have completed additional efforts relating to import/export data harmonization.

## Integrated Cargo Security Strategy (ICSS):

- Pilots concluded March 2015; Joint pilots' Assessment Report completed (screening for national security to continue at Prince Rupert, BC).

## Integrated Cargo Security Initiative (ICSI):

- Have jointly completed Way Forward for enhanced work on contraband (i.e. narcotics);
- Jointly working on a trade-related proposal to test the interdiction of hazardous consumer products;
- Working bilaterally on respective anti-dumping and countervailing duties programs;
- Commitment from CBP to launch a Highway In-Transit Pilot (TBD).

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### NEXUS Benefits:

- An increase of approximately 200,000 members (to 1.3 million in total) in the Canada–US NEXUS program, an increase of approx. 17% since Dec 2014;
- The expedited screening of NEXUS members at airports in both countries, as members have access to NEXUS lanes at 21 major land border crossings in Canada and 19 locations at US ports of entry, and access to the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Pre✓® lanes at 171 airports in the US.

### Enhanced Facilities for Trusted Programs:

- Nov 2015: CBSA installed a NEXUS 9 lane in Aldergrove (BC), completing the commitment to install 14 additional NEXUS lanes (NEXUS 9 and NEXUS 5);
- Recommendations to expand Free and Secure Trade (FAST) benefits, including infrastructure, have been finalized and will be published on the CBSA website in the Winter of 2016.

### Radio Frequency Identification (RFID):

- Canada will be deploying RFID technology in two lanes at 11 ports of entry;
- Site scoping is underway, preparatory construction will begin in fall 2016, and deployment of RFID readers is expected to continue throughout fiscal 2016-17.

## Updates on Key Initiatives (Cont'd)

### Small and Remote Ports of Entry (SRPOE):

- The Morses Line, Quebec Remote Traveller Processing (RTP) Pilot was launched on January 18, 2016 and had processed 321 cars as of April 3, 2016;
- The RTP pilot at Piney, Manitoba is targeting to launch in fall 2016.

### Interactive Advance Passenger Information (IAPI):

- On August 1, 2015, Canada began accepting Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) applications from eligible third country citizens, ahead of the March 15, 2016 date when the eTA becomes a mandatory travel document;
- Full implementation of the IAPI system, which will enforce the mandatory eTA by allowing CBSA to send a “board/no-board” message to air carriers before an individual boards a flight to Canada, is planned for September 30, 2016;
- March 10, 2016 PM-POTUS:
  - Canada and the US agreed to share more information, including with respect to no-fly lists.

### Entry/Exit:

- March 10, 2016 PM-POTUS:
  - Canada and the US agreed to the full implementation of the exit-entry system while upholding the privacy and civil liberties of citizens.

## Updates on Key Initiatives (Cont'd)

### Preclearance:

- March 2015: Signed an historic Preclearance Agreement that will, once in force, enable new preclearance operations on both sides of the border in all modes of transportation (land, rail, marine and air), facilitating trade and travel for Americans and Canadians;
- May 2015: Truck cargo pre-inspection pilot (Peace Bridge) assessment completed;
- March 10, 2016 PM-POTUS Announcements:
  - Agreement in principle to expand preclearance to Billy Bishop Airport in Toronto, Jean Lesage International Airport in Quebec City, as well as rail service in Montreal and Vancouver;
  - Creating a Canada-U.S. working group in the next 60 days to address errors of identity in relation to the no-fly lists.



## Partner Engagement

- The CBSA, in collaboration with other federal departments and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), has been working towards full implementation of the Agency's Action Plan deliverables by 2017.
- The CBSA intends to continue working with various stakeholders to promote awareness of the BtB initiatives and on innovative approaches to security and competitiveness.