

Building Cyber Supply Chain Risk Management (C-SCRM) for the U.S. Department of the Interior

The Department of the Interior had to meet Executive Order 14028 across a large network of hardware, software, and service vendors without real-time risk visibility. InterSec, with a product partner, built a C-SCRM program that made supply-chain risk a routine function rather than a special project.

CLIENT U.S. Department of the Interior	PROFILE Federal lands and resources; large multi-bureau vendor network	STATUS ● In progress
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EO 14028 Fully met across the program	SBOM + HBOM Component authenticity verified	Real-time Vendor risk monitoring and alerts	NIST SR 800-53 controls for inheritance
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DRIVERS EO 14028, OMB M-22-18	SCOPE Multi-bureau vendor network	CAPABILITY SBOM and HBOM analysis	ADOPTION Training and office hours
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— THE CHALLENGE

The Department had to comply with Executive Order 14028 while managing a large, varied supplier network, and it lacked a centralized way to identify suspect hardware or software in real time. That gap exposed it to operational disruption and compliance risk. The supply chain was complex and hard to authenticate component by component, visibility was fragmented with no central data, and the compliance stakes were high.

— THE APPROACH

InterSec built a C-SCRM program designed to fit into daily operations, so staff could detect and mitigate supply-chain risk as a routine function rather than a one-off project. Adoption was treated as seriously as technology: the team developed user guides for administrators and everyday users, delivered ongoing training across multiple bureaus, and held regular office hours. A targeted framework established repeatable processes supported by integrated tools and dashboards.

Supply-chain risk is a program you sustain, not a scan you run once.

— THE SOLUTION IN PRACTICE

InterSec introduced secure data-collection pathways, automated software and hardware bill-of-materials reviews, and coordinated intelligence sharing, giving the Department immediate insight and faster response. Working with a product partner, the program delivered vendor-profile aggregation, SBOM and HBOM analysis aligned with OMB M-22-18, real-time risk monitoring with alerts, secure cross-stakeholder sharing, clear visualization, and multi-group access tuned to different data needs.

— RESULTS & IMPACT

- ✓ NIST SP 800-53 SR common controls were documented for consistent inheritance, supporting FISMA and FedRAMP.
- ✓ The program fully met the Executive Order 14028 and OMB M-22-18 directives.
- ✓ Cyber supply chain risks were identified and addressed across the vendor network.
- ✓ Real-time monitoring let the Department address risks early.

— KEY TAKEAWAYS

Supply-chain risk management has to live in daily operations.

A program staff treat as routine catches more than one run as a special project.

Adoption is a deliverable, not an afterthought.

User guides, training across bureaus, and office hours make a federal program stick at scale.

SBOM and HBOM analysis turns vendor trust into evidence.

Confirming components are genuine is the difference between assuming a supply chain is clean and proving it.

Document common controls for inheritance.

Capturing the NIST 800-53 SR controls once lets many system owners inherit them.

CAPABILITIES DEMONSTRATED

C-SCRM Framework and Implementation

SBOM and HBOM Analysis

Real-Time Vendor Risk Monitoring

FISMA and FedRAMP Alignment

Stakeholder Training and Adoption

Meeting EO 14028 across a sprawling vendor network takes more than a tool.

InterSec builds C-SCRM capabilities for federal organizations and helps them stick.

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