



First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) Weekly Update to the Single Points of Contact (SPOC) – December 1, 2014

FirstNet News

- The user advocacy team will conduct an initial consultation meeting with Florida on December 12. Confirmed upcoming initial consultation meetings in 2015 are: Nevada (1/7), Colorado (1/14 or 1/15), Kentucky (1/28), Texas (2/11), Delaware (2/19), Arkansas (3/4), Massachusetts (3/12), Nebraska (3/18-3/19), Washington DC (3/26), South Dakota (4/1) and North Carolina (4/23).
- The NEPA team conducted the first Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement Scoping Meeting in Washington DC on November 25. The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) provides a framework to evaluate the impact of major federal actions on the environment and through the programmatic environmental impact statement (PEIS) process, allows the public the opportunity to provide input on issues or concerns they would like addressed in the analysis. FirstNet will distribute additional information on this effort shortly.
- This week, FirstNet will be participating in the FBI Criminal Justice Information Services Advisory Policy Board Meeting, the White House Tribal Nations Conference and 9-1-1 Goes to Denver. In addition, FirstNet will be doing a webinar for the National 911 Program.
- To date, FirstNet has received completed state consultation checklists from 33 states and territories: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Guam, Hawaii, New Hampshire, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas, U.S. Virgin Islands, Utah, Washington, Washington DC, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

From the States and PSAC Organizations

- The PSAC is meeting in Norman, OK on Tuesday, December 2. Updates will be provided on the strategic roadmap and consultation, and we will also be discussing the new priority and preemption and public safety grade assignments for the PSAC. The PSAC meeting will be followed by the NCSWIC and SAFECOM meetings – Amanda Hilliard will be attending these.
- As a reminder, SPOC/SWIC calls will occur on December 15 (Regions 5 & 9), December 17 (Regions 6,7 & 8), December 18 (Regions 1,2 & 10), and December 19 (Regions 3 & 4).

Media Watch

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Traditional Media

The AWS-3 auction continued to be the focus of a lot of articles mentioning FirstNet this week. There were also a few mentions of the newly initiated Commerce IG audit. The objectives of the new audit will be to evaluate and assess FirstNet's efforts and progress to develop the NPSBN. We have prepared a consolidated listing of FirstNet articles from this week (attached).

Social Media

The AWS-3 auction again received significant attention on Twitter. The FirstNet Twitter account now has more than 1,240 followers, and the LinkedIn account has more than 336 followers. Our blog posts from this week can be found at:

<http://www.firstnet.gov/newsroom/blog>