



First Responder Network Authority Weekly Update to the State and Territory Single Points of Contact (SPOCs) – June 6, 2016

FirstNet News

- FirstNet is expanding its outreach and is now on Facebook! We are encouraging the PSAC members and their organizations to like our page – please search “FirstNetGov” on Facebook or click on this link: www.facebook.com/firstnetgov. We’ll be using Facebook to highlight the work of public safety personnel across the country and the benefits of using broadband technologies.
- This week, FirstNet is participating in the Summer 2016 PSAC Meeting and the PSAC 2016 Public Safety Broadband Stakeholder Meeting in San Diego, California; the North Dakota 9-1-1 Association Quarterly Meeting in Bismarck; the 2016 Inter-Tribal Emergency Management Coalition Summit in Durant, Oklahoma; a Rhode Island Interoperable Communications Committee meeting in Lincoln; an intertribal meeting in Indian Township, Maine; a California Nations Indian Gaming Association Board meeting in San Diego, California; the New Hampshire Emergency Management Conference in Manchester; the Montana Fire Alliance Annual Meeting in Anaconda; and state Governance Body Meetings in Nevada (Reno), Kansas (Topeka), and Montana (Helena).
- Last week, FirstNet conducted a Washington State Quality of Service, Priority, & Preemption (QPP) Consultation Task Team (CTT) Pilot in Seattle with about 40 attendees from Washington OneNet and SPOCs from Region 10. The FirstNet team gathered feedback from stakeholders to help inform future QPP network policies and learn about the unique needs of the public safety community. Some of the items discussed included the QPP CTT timeline, the conceptual QPP framework, priority and preemption, and responder roles versus broadband needs. A robust dialogue ensued between attendees and FirstNet, with meeting participants posing questions about local control of the network, the different network states, and the prioritization of users, devices, and applications in real-world scenarios. FirstNet collected valuable feedback ahead of the anticipated regional QPP CTT engagements that will take place across the nation, including the Region 10 engagement planned for August.
- Last Thursday, FirstNet continued its participation in state Governance Body Consultation Meetings by conducting presentations to the Delaware Broadband Working Group and the Illinois FirstNet Working Group, having now completed 18 Governance Body Consultation Meetings.
- On June 2, FirstNet posted a new entry on its blog: [Metro Fire Chiefs Conference Highlights Benefits of Public Safety Data](#). All blog posts can also be accessed through the FirstNet blog landing page at: www.firstnet.gov/newsroom/blog.

News from the PSAC, States and Territories

- FirstNet was busy last week preparing for today's Summer 2016 Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) Meeting at the Hard Rock Hotel in San Diego, California (owned by the Seminole Tribe of Florida). Highlights and strategic outcomes from the event will be included in next week's update.

Media Watch

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Urgent Communications 6/2: FirstNet's bidding deadline has passed—what we know now

<http://urgentcomm.com/blog/firstnet-s-bidding-deadline-has-passed-what-we-know-now>

"The deadline for proposals has now closed. We are moving forward in the evaluation process. We are excited to have met this major RFP milestone and remain on track to award in November." This cryptic statement was all that FirstNet provided on Tuesday afternoon, hours after the deadline passed for offeror teams to submit proposals to build and maintain a nationwide public-safety broadband network.

Web and Social Media

FirstNet social media continues to grow at a steady pace. Twitter gained over 22 new followers and is now at 3,736 followers, while LinkedIn has 1,534 followers. YouTube now has 282 subscribers.