

The WYOLINK Operations group met Dec. 3, 2007 at the Homeland Security Operations Center in Cheyenne, WY.

This was the first meeting held since June 6, 2007. We received a progress report from Bob Symons.

Colonel Sam Powell will be going to a meeting in Washington DC to meet with FCC, Public Safety and Homeland Security Chief on Wednesday Dec. 5, 2007. Motorola will be included in that meeting. I hope that we can get Colonel Powell to give a progress report later in this meeting.

We found that the Cheyenne Water Tank site is being put off until 2008. There was to be a meeting Dec 4, 2007 with Union Telephone, Cheyenne Board of Public Utilities, & WYOLINK to discuss this issue.

We discussed WYOLINK training: the first group of trainers was done in Feb. 2006. Those folks will have to be retrained because of the time lag from training to operation. It was suggested that the next training session should be done when WYOLINK is operational in their area.

A discussion was held about rumors about WYOINK and the progress of the system development. We need to have factual updated information available to be given to potential users.

We discussed Boulder Lab Testing of radio equipment for P-25 compliancy and WYOLINK compatibility. EF Johnson, Tait, and Motorola have submitted documentation and equipment. Kenwood has submitted Equipment.

It is my feeling that while we are not receiving the frequencies and it is a big let down to all involved, we need to keep moving forward with our group and not standing still as we have the last six months. Things are going on that this group should have had input about. This makes it very hard for Marty to coordinate and I feel puts an extra burden on him. I have not been able to find out those tasks in advance so that we can meet and support what is happening. Communications!, Communications! that is what it is all about.

Jerry M. Kennedy Chairman

Spectrum Workgroup Report

December 11, 2007

700 MHz National Regional Planning Meeting

In Austin, Texas on September 19, 2007 the Regional Planning Community was invited by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) to attend a meeting. One purpose of this meeting was to discuss the future of Computer Assisted Pre-coordination Resource and Database System (CAPRAD) and to decide what the regional planners wanted from NIJ. NIJ had already determined that the Texas Sheriff's Association would be responsible for funding, maintaining, and the oversight of CAPRAD through means of a grant issued to the Texas Sheriff's Association.

The National Regional Planning Council (NRPC) was formed by a vote of the regional planners present to represent the Regional Planning Community. Alan Bull was elected as the Chairman and Richard Reynolds was elected as Vice Chairman with Mark Pallens elected as Secretary. We discussed the 700 MHz Plan revision requirements and requested that CAPRAD do another frequency pack by the end of January, 2008. Training on the CAPRAD database was also given.

Wyoming 700 and 800 MHz Regional Planning Meeting

In conjunction with The APCO Meeting in Casper on November 11, 2007 the 700 MHz and 800 MHz Regional Planning Committee had a meeting to inform the committee members of recent developments. The committee was informed of the changes to 700 Plan regarding the restructure of the band to allow a nationwide interoperable broadband network for public safety. The 800 MHz rebanding was discussed; Cheyenne is complete with their rebanding.

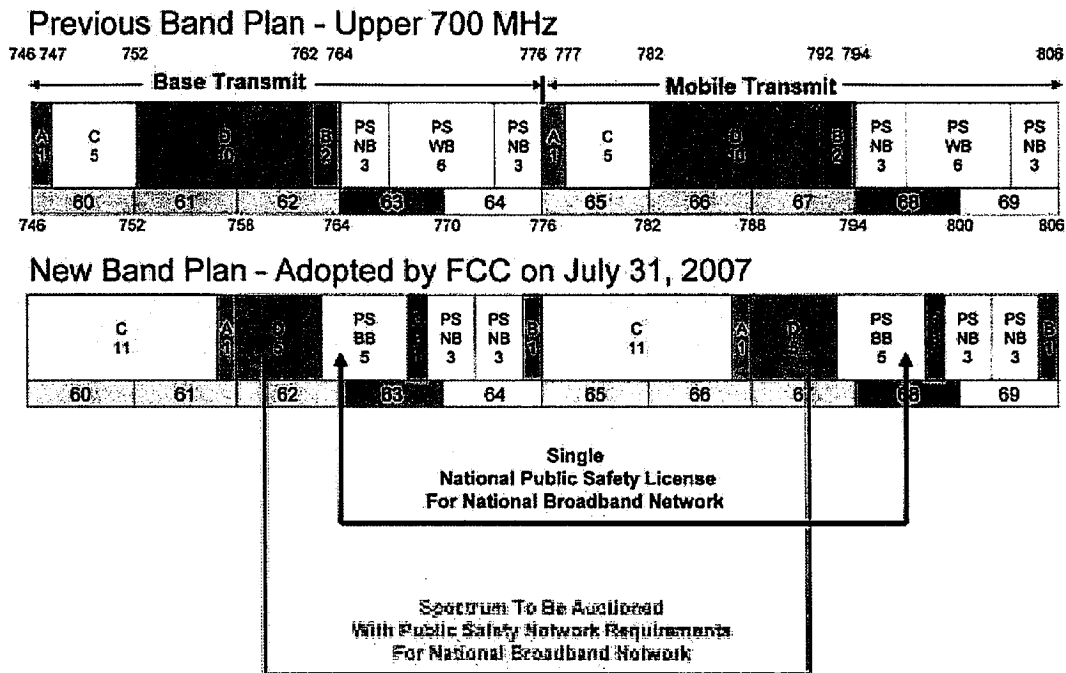
Summary of 700 MHz Events to Date

On July 31, 2007, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) adopted a Second Report and Order revising the rules governing the upper 700 MHz band. In the Second Report and Order, the Commission re-designated ten megahertz of public safety 700 MHz spectrum (763-768/793-798 MHz) for the purpose of establishing a nationwide, interoperable broadband public safety communications network. The FCC also created a single nationwide license for this spectrum -- the Public Safety Broadband License. Further, the Commission stated that it would assign this license to a single entity -- the Public Safety Broadband Licensee.

The 700 MHz band spectrum currently is occupied by television broadcasters and will be made available for wireless services, including public safety and commercial services, as a result of the digital television (DTV) transition. The Digital Television and Public Safety Act of 2005 (DTV Act) set a firm deadline of February 17, 2009, for the completion of the DTV transition.

This decision establishes a framework for a 700 MHz Public Safety/ Private Partnership between the licensee for one of the commercial spectrum blocks, the D Block, that will be auctioned and the Public Safety Broadband Licensee. As part of the Partnership, the commercial licensee will build out a nationwide, interoperable broadband network for the use of public safety.

The FCC decision seeks to facilitate a network, promoting effective communications among first responders. Under the public/private partnership, the Public Safety Broadband Licensee will have priority access to the commercial spectrum in times of emergency and the commercial licensee will have preemptible, secondary access to the public safety broadband spectrum.



The FCC designated a 10-megahertz block of commercial spectrum (comprised of paired 5-megahertz blocks), for the Upper 700 MHz Band D Block, that will be part of the 700 MHz Public/Private Partnership. With regard to the 700 MHz Public Safety Band, it designated the public safety wideband spectrum for broadband use consistent with a nationwide interoperability standard, consolidated the existing narrowband allocations in the upper half of the 700 MHz Public Safety Band, and located broadband communications in the lower part. It adjusted the locations of the 700 MHz Guard Band blocks to permit a 1-megahertz shift of the 700 MHz Public Safety Band to address public safety narrowband operations in border areas of the country.

The FCC designated the lower half of the 700 MHz Public Safety Band (763-768/793-798 MHz) for broadband communications and eliminated wideband operations except for those granted a waiver. It also consolidated the existing narrowband allocations to the upper half of the 700 MHz Public Safety block (769-775/799-805 MHz).

To effectuate the consolidation of the narrowband channels, the Upper 700 MHz commercial D Block licensee will pay the costs of relocating any narrowband radios no later than the DTV transition date. To minimize interference between broadband and narrowband operations, a 1-megahertz guard band (768-769/798-799 MHz) is set between the public safety broadband and narrowband segments.

The FCC established a single nationwide license, the "Public Safety Broadband License" for the 700 MHz public safety broadband spectrum. The FCC determined that creating a single nationwide geographic area license offered greater flexibility and would ease the administrative burden on both the public safety community and the FCC. It stated that centralizing the responsibilities for implementing a broadband network across the entire country under a nationwide geographic area license, assigned to a single entity, best serves the goals of achieving a nationwide level of interoperability and a public safety network that is robust, cost effective, spectrally efficient, and based on a flexible, IP-based, modern architecture.

The FCC related that no commercial interest may be the licensee or participate in the management of the licensee. To ensure broad representation and to provide a balance of the various public safety interests, the FCC required that the Public Safety Broadband Licensee be governed by a voting board that is broadly representative of the public safety community.

The Public Safety Broadband Licensee (PBSBL) board of directors is made up of fifteen members, four of which are at-large members to be appointed jointly by the Chiefs of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and the Public Safety Spectrum Trust (PSST) members listed below

- American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)
- Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO)
- Forestry Conservation Communications Association (FCCA)
- International City/County Management Association (ICMA)
- International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)
- International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC)
- International Municipal Signal Association (IMSA)
- National Association of State Emergency Medical Services Officials (NASEMSO)
- National Emergency Number Association (NENA)
- National Sheriffs' Association (NSA)
- National Governors Association (NGA)

PBSBL At-Large Members

- American Hospital Association (AHA)
- National Fraternal Order of Police (NFOP)
- National Association of State 9-1-1 Administrators (NASNA)
- National Emergency Management Association (NEMA)

The responsibilities of the Public Safety Broadband Licensee include:

- Negotiating the Network Sharing Agreement (NSA) with the winning bidder at auction for the Upper 700 MHz Band D Block license.
- General administration of access to the national public safety broadband network by individual public safety entities
- Interfacing with equipment vendors on its own or in partnership with the D Block licensee, as appropriate, to achieve and pass on the benefits of economies of scale concerning network and subscriber equipment and applications.
- Authority to approve, in consultation with the D Block licensee, equipment and applications for use by public safety entities on the public safety broadband network
- Implementing the relocation of narrowband public safety operations in channels 63 and 68, and the upper 1 megahertz of channels 64 and 69.
- Responsibility for reviewing requests for wideband waivers.

The Broadband Working Group of the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC) has compiled a Statement of Requirements (SOR) to assist with the development of a nationwide interoperable broadband network for public safety agencies. The full document can be found at www.NPSTC.org. This document was prepared for the many interests involved: the PSBL, prospective D Block auction bidders, public safety agencies, equipment and infrastructure manufacturers and service providers, and the FCC.

Significant challenges await both public and private interests as the FCC's rules commence to be implemented with the auction of the commercial spectrum now set to begin in January 16, 2008.

Mark Joiner
Spectrum Workgroup Chairman

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SECTION 1. UNIT STATUTORY AUTHORITY

W.S. 9-2-1101-1106

SECTION 2. STANDARD BUDGET REQUEST

Part A. Narrative

The Public Safety Communications Commission (PSCC) replaced SALECS as of July 1, 2004. (See W.S. 9-2-1101) PSCC expanded to seventeen (17) members (formerly seven (7)) with oversight responsibility for the WyoLink statewide network, including quarterly commission meetings, monthly working group meetings, development of operating rules and regulations for the network and user training.

Part B. Revenue

\$30,664 100% General Fund

Full Time Positions: 0

Part Time Positions: 0

GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION

I recommend approval of this standard budget request as submitted.

SECTION 3. EXCEPTION BUDGET REQUEST

Priority #1 Staff Support Person

A. Explanation of Request:

The commission needs a support resource that has subject matter expertise with radio system design and operation. This position has been vital to the PSCC to meet its requirements under W.S. 9-2-1104(b) to maintain close liaison with the regional, county, municipal and federal organization and agencies involved in the system. The position has been vital in the development of the rules, policies, procedures, creating local and statewide interoperable communication plans and developing relationships with local, state and federal partnerships. With the implementation of the WyoLink project, this position will have a role in developing membership within all potential users, developing talk group plans and training users. It is recommended that this position be limited to June 30, 2010, this will allow the position duties to be evaluated for the 2011/2012 budget submission.

B. Request by Object Code, Funding Amount and Fund Source:

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0103 Salaries Classified	\$102,244	100% General Fund
0105 Employer Pd Benefits	57,854	100% General Fund
0197 Retiree Insurance	1,024	100% General Fund
0198 External Cost Adj - Salaries	6,216	100% General Fund
0199 External Cost Adj - Benefits	1,492	100% General Fund
Total	\$168,830	100% General Fund

C. Performance Justification:

W.S. 9-2-1101 places responsibility with the PSCC for a range of coordination and oversight duties related to the implementation of statewide inter-operable public safety communications.

GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION

I recommend approval of this exception budget request as submitted. I further recommend this position (#5523) be time-limited to June 30, 2010. This will allow the position duties to be evaluated for the 2011/2012 budget submission.

Priority #2 Dues and Registration Fees

A. Explanation of Request:

This request is for increased funding related to dues and registration fees. These fees provide for the membership in professional organization related to the PSCC and registration fees to attend training and conferences related to the PSCC activities.

B. Request by Object Code, Funding Amount and Fund Source:

0207 Dues/Licenses/Registrations	\$270	100% General Fund
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C. Performance Justification:

This furthers PSCC's ability to learn from industry peers and experts in their particular field.

GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION

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I recommend denial of this request. This denial will not adversely affect the agency from statutory obligations.

Priority #3 Commissioners' Travel and Meeting Expenses

A. Explanation of Request:

This request is to reimburse Commissioners for travel and cover facility costs associated with Commission meetings and training events.

B. Request by Object Code, Funding Amount and Fund Source:

0227 Commission Travel/Mtg Expenses	\$4,000	100% General Fund
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C. Performance Justification:

The PSCC is required by law to hold official meetings four times each calendar year. In addition, working groups within PSCC meet periodically to develop policies for PSCC approval and adoption.

GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION

I recommend denial of this request. I recommended and the Legislature authorized a \$6,000 travel increase in the 2007-2008 budget submission. As the objectives of the PSCC will benefit all members it is not unreasonable to expect them to cover any additional travel costs.

Priority #4 Supplies

A. Explanation of Request:

Miscellaneous supplies for PSCC and staff support position.

B. Request by Object Code, Funding Amount and Fund Source:

0231 Supplies	\$100	100% General Fund
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C. Performance Justification:

This will enable the PSCC to have the necessary supplies needed to perform day-to-day office functions.

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GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION

I recommend denial of this request.

Priority #5 Maintenance

A. Explanation of Request:

Funds needed to cover computer software yearly license fees for support staff employee.

B. Request by Object Code, Funding Amount and Fund Source:

0292 Maintenance Payments	\$120	100% General Fund
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C. Performance Justification:

This will enable the PSCC to have the necessary software needed to perform day-to-day office functions.

GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION

I recommend denial of this request.

Priority #6 Telecommunication Costs

A. Explanation of Request:

Telephone service, Leader Phone audio conference costs, and video conferencing costs.

B. Request by Object Code, Funding Amount and Fund Source:

0420 Telecommunications	\$1,140	100% General Fund
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C. Performance Justification:

Often, some PSCC members cannot attend PSCC meetings in person due to other official duties. ITD has found that using audio or video conference tools increase attendance and participation. For working group meetings, audio/video conferences reduce or eliminate travel costs for Commissioners and staff.

GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION

I recommend approval of this request.

Priority #7 Computer and Software

A. Explanation of Request:

This request is for a notebook PC and related software for the staff support position. The PC will be used as a mobile workstation and for providing training and support presentations.

B. Request by Object Code, Funding Amount and Fund Source:

0242 Hardware/Software	\$3,500	100% General Fund
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C. Performance Justification:

This position requires considerable travel, which will be aided by a mobile computer. This equipment will insure the ability to support presentations at public meetings and maintain email communications while traveling, in addition to routine office support.

GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION

I recommend denial of this request. The Agency made a similar exception request in their FY 2007-2008 budget document, which was not recommended.

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Description	Code	Base Budget	Standard Budget	Exception Request	Total Agency Request	Governor's Changes	Governor's Recommendation
EXPENDITURES							
SALARIES CLASSIFIED	0103	0	0	102,244	102,244	0	102,244
EMPLOYER PD BENEFITS	0105	0	0	57,854	57,854	0	57,854
RETIRES INSURANCE	0197	0	0	1,024	1,024	0	1,024
EXTERNAL COST ADJ - SALARIES	0198	0	0	6,216	6,216	0	6,216
EXTERNAL COST ADJ - BENEFIT	0199	0	0	1,492	1,492	0	1,492
PERSONAL SERVICES	0100	0	0	168,830	168,830	0	168,830
COMMUNICATION	0204	0	1,555	0	1,555	0	1,555
DUES-LICENSES-REGIST	0207	0	230	270	500	(270)	230
TRAVEL IN STATE	0221	0	9,283	0	9,283	0	9,283
BD/COMM TRAVEL REIMBURSEME	0227	0	0	4,000	4,000	(4,000)	0
SUPPLIES	0230	0	0	0	0	0	0
OFFICE SUPPL-PRINTNG	0231	0	692	100	792	(100)	692
DP REPRODUCT OTH EQ	0242	0	0	3,500	3,500	(3,500)	0
MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS EXTERNAL	0292	0	0	120	120	(120)	0
SUPPORTIVE SERVICES	0200	0	11,760	7,990	19,750	(7,990)	11,760
CENTRAL-SER DATA-SER	0410	0	3,240	0	3,240	0	3,240
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	0420	0	2,664	1,140	3,804	0	3,804
CENT. SERV./DATA SERV.	0400	0	5,904	1,140	7,044	0	7,044
PROFESSIONAL FEES	0901	0	13,000	0	13,000	0	13,000
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	0900	0	13,000	0	13,000	0	13,000
EXPENDITURE TOTALS		0	30,664	177,960	208,624	(7,990)	200,634
SOURCE OF FUNDING							
GENERAL FUND	1001	0	30,664	177,960	208,624	(7,990)	200,634
GENERAL FUND/BRA	G	0	30,664	177,960	208,624	(7,990)	200,634
TOTAL FUNDING		0	30,664	177,960	208,624	(7,990)	200,634
AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES							
FULL TIME EMPLOYEE COUNT		0	0	1	1	0	1
TOTAL AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES		0	0	1	1	0	1

EXCEPTION PERSONNEL REPORT

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UNIT		PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION				006	4000	4053	001	400
Pos#	FT/ PT	1		Percent	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Band#	Class Date							
Class Code		Position Title			GF	FF	OF			
5523	F	8								
PC02		PROGRAM COORDINATOR 2			100					
		Total								
		Authorized Employees Full Time				1			1	

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Part A. Narrative

This standard budget moved to fund 001 through the BFY '07 budget appropriation.

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Description	Code	Base Budget	Standard Budget	Exception Request	Total Agency Request	Governor's Changes	Governor's Recommendation	
EXPENDITURES								
SALARIES CLASSIFIED	0103	88,104	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMPLOYER PD BENEFITS	0105	47,691	0	0	0	0	0	0
EXTERNAL COST ADJ - SALARIES	0198	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EXTERNAL COST ADJ - BENEFIT	0199	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERSONAL SERVICES	0100	135,795	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT REP & MNTC	0202	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
COMMUNICATION	0204	1,555	0	0	0	0	0	0
DUES-LICENSES-REGIST	0207	230	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL IN STATE	0221	9,283	0	0	0	0	0	0
BD/COMM TRAVEL REIMBURSEME	0227	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0230	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OFFICE SUPPL-PRINTNG	0231	692	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPORTIVE SERVICES	0200	11,760	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL-SER DATA-SER	0410	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	0420	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENT. SERV./DATA SERV.	0400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PROFESSIONAL FEES	0901	13,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	0900	13,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
EXPENDITURE TOTALS		160,555	0	0	0	0	0	0
SOURCE OF FUNDING								
GENERAL FUND	1001	160,555	0	0	0	0	0	0
GENERAL FUND/BRA	G	160,555	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL FUNDING		160,555	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES								
FULL TIME EMPLOYEE COUNT		1	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES		1	0	0	0	0	0	0

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- 1) Construction
 - i) Phase 3 tower, antenna and equipment installation is about 90% complete.
 - (a) The majority of the work remaining is optimization, cut over of conventional radios and on the air testing.
 - (b) I took a tour of the state last week, visiting 10 sites (both Phase 3 and Phase 4). This inspection did not reveal any major problems, and will allow me to solve many minor issues.
 - ii) Phase 4 tower, antenna and equipment installation is about 75% complete.
 - (a) Motorola and their subcontractor crews continue to work on Phase 4 sites, and will do so as weather allows.

- 2) On The Air Testing
 - i) Motorola has received Special Experimental Licenses for 13 sites. To date we have turned three sites up using a test pattern (Strauss Hill, Nine Mile and Virgin Hill). We have discovered three cases of interference to other entities. The offending transmitters have been shut off until WyoLink and Motorola resolve these interference issues.
 - ii) As other Phase 3 and 4 sites are ready, we will be placing these sites on the air using a test pattern.
 - (a) After two weeks in test pattern, sites will be ready for operational testing. Normal use of these sites cannot commence until WyoLink receives the actual license from the FCC.

- 3) Console Installation
 - a) WyoLink is working with Motorola and WYDOT Telecom to install and test T1 lines for each of the consoles as they are installed.
 - i) To date, we have T1 lines in place for LCCCC and the WHP. T1 lines are being installed for Teton County this week, and should be in place by the end of Wednesday, December 12.

- 4) Training
 - a) Two WyoLink technicians (Kent Drummond and Troy Berg) are in Schaumburg for Master site training. The remaining two (Marty McCoy and Mark Coler) will attend this training in February.
 - b) I am working with Debbi Serke to include WyoLink technicians in Console and Key Management Facility (KMF) training in the near future.
 - i) Console and KMF training will be necessary in the very near future to support the consoles connecting to WyoLink and those agencies desiring to use encrypted communications.

- 5) Site Acquisition
 - i) I met with representatives from the Big Horn National Forest and other interested parties last Thursday to discuss what could be done to streamline the permit granting process for the two sites WyoLink would like to build in that area.

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- ii) I will participate in a video conference call next Monday with representatives from the Bridger Teton National Forest and other interested parties to discuss what can be done to streamline the permit granting process for the sites WyoLink would like to build in that area.

6) Questions and Other Concerns:

Dispatch Center Second Round Grants

The 2006 Legislature appropriated \$6.45 million for local dispatch centers "so they are ready to be connected to WyoLink upon the completion of each phase". The PSCC administered a first round of grants to dispatch centers, allowing up to \$150,000 per dispatch center to support infrastructure costs. 38 grant applications were submitted and approved, as per the attached recap, leaving \$1,165,162 unawarded, as of December 1, 2007.

The PSCC Administrative and Funding Work Group discussed criteria for the awarding of the second round of Dispatch Center/WyoLink Connectivity Grants. Earl Atwood and Bob Symons also met with Kip Crofts of the Governor's Office about the information to be presented to the Governor and/or Joint Appropriations Committee on awarding the remaining grant funds.

To finalize disbursement of the dispatch center funds, we propose that a second round grant application be released, allowing each dispatch center the opportunity to apply for additional funds to assist them in readying local dispatch centers for connection to WyoLink. The final plan for disbursement will be presented by the PSCC to the Governor for his review and approval.

As a part of this process, the PSCC needs to determine the criteria under which grant applications will be considered for funding. The Administrative and Funding Work Group developed suggested criteria for consideration of the PSCC members, to be finalized at the December, 2007 meeting. These criteria have been developed with the idea that second round grant funds would be distributed based on financial need and where the grant will have the greatest potential for achieving dispatch center readiness statewide. In other words, consideration of grant application will be based on merit. We recommend the following criteria be incorporated in the grant application document, and that grant applicants identify how their request conforms to each criteria.

Financial Need

Applicants will be asked to identify how the receipt of additional funds will impact the completion of dispatch center infrastructure, in terms of available budget and timeline, and the consequence of not receiving additional funds under the grant. When considering proposals, the grant evaluation team may also consider:

- 1) the relative assessed valuation for each county, and
- 2) the differential between the amount awarded under the first round grant and the actual costs of completing the dispatch center upgrades in each location (for primary connectivity purposes).

Population Served

As a measure of value for dollar spent, the evaluation team will consider the scope of population in the area served by the dispatch center.

Consideration of Consolidated Dispatch Operations

Applicants will be asked to identify whether any strategy has been developed or implemented within the County to gain economy of scale and improved interoperability through consolidation of dispatch operations, along with a description of the benefits derived.

Additional or alternative criteria may be proposed and discussed at the December, 2007 meeting.

We also propose that:

- 1) the grant application notice be released in the first week of January, 2008, subject to the Governor's approval;
- 2) the application deadline be set on or near March 1, 2008;
- 3) the grant evaluation team be charged with bringing recommendations for grant approvals to the PSCC for final approval at the June, 2008 quarterly meeting to insure our ability to release or encumber approved funds prior to the end of the fiscal biennium (June 30, 2008).

The PSCC should also determine the assignment of members to the grant evaluation team.

The National Public Safety Telecommunications Council issued a Channel Naming Report on June 12, 2007. This report sets up a standard channel naming nomenclature for the Public Safety Interoperability Channels. I am recommending that the PSCC adopt the standard channel naming nomenclature and revise the WyoLink Handbook to reflect the stand channel naming.

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National VHF Interoperability Channels

VCALL – 155.7525 MHz
VTAC1 – 151.1375 MHz
VTAC2 – 154.4525 MHz
VTAC3 – 158.7375 MHz
VTAC4 – 159.4725 MHz

National 800 MHz Interoperability Channels

8CALL – 601 – 866.0125 MHz (B/M) 821.0125 MHz (M)
8TAC1 – 639 – 866.5125 MHz (B/M) 821.5125 MHz (M)
8TAC2 – 677 – 867.0125 MHz (B/M) 822.0125 MHz (M)
8TAC3 – 715 – 867.5125 MHz (B/M) 822.5125 MHz (M)
8TAC4 – 753 – 868.0125 MHz (B/M) 823.0125 MHz (M)

Wyoming Mutual Aid - 154.8750 MHz simplex and Rx – 159.1950 MHz duplex Tx
SALECS – 155.6400 MHz – Rx and 159.1800 MHz - Tx
National Law Enforcement Communications – 155.4750 MHz
FERN – Statewide simplex channel for fire – 154.280 MHz
National Medical Mutual Aid – 155.340 MHz

Proposed Changes:

National VHF Interoperability Channels

Name	Frequency	CTCSS	NAC
VCALL10	155.7525	156.7	\$293
VTAC11	151.1375	156.7	\$293
VTAC12	154.4525	156.7	\$293
VTAC13	158.7375	156.7	\$293
VTAC14	159.4725	156.7	\$293
VFIRE21	154.2800	156.7	\$293
VMED28	155.3400	156.7	\$293
VLAW31	155.4750	156.7	\$293

VFIRE21 is also known as FERN

VMED28 is also known as National Medical Mutual Aid

VLAW31 is also known as National Law Enforcement Communications

Analog Operations: The use of CTCSS Tone 156.7 Hz has been adopted for all analog operations on Interoperability Channels.

Digital Operations: The use of Network Access Code (NAC) \$293 has been adopted for all digital operations on Interoperability Channels.

National 800 MHz Interoperability Channels

Name	Frequency (Rx)	Frequency (Tx)
8CALL90	851.0125	806.0125
8CALL90D	851.0125	851.0125
8TAC91	851.5125	806.5125
8TAC91D	851.5125	851.5125
8TAC92	852.0125	807.0125
8TAC92D	852.0125	852.0125
8TAC93	852.5125	807.5125
8TAC93D	852.5125	852.5125
8TAC94	853.0125	808.0125
8TAC94D	853.0125	853.0125

D = Direct or "Talk Around" use

Wyoming Mutual Aid:

Simplex	154.8750	
Repeated*	154.8750 (Rx)	159.1950 (Tx)
SALECS*	155.6400 (Rx)	159.1800 (Tx)

* Each Repeater site uses a different CTCSS tone. Upon the signing of the membership agreement or the Wyoming Mutual Aid Memorandum of Understanding the radio site tone list will be provided.