

## **State of Wyoming**

Mark Harshman Chairman

## **Public Safety Communications Commission**

Interoperability Executive Committee
March 7, 2016
Phone Conference Call and Wyoming Office of Homeland Security

Chairman Skip Hornecker called the meeting to order at 1:33 pm.

Phone Conference Call: Skip Hornecker, Carl Freeman, Robert Wilson, Cy Cass, Brandon Kelley, Robin Etienne and Craig Post - Wyoming Office of Homeland Security – Jim Archerd, Marty McCoy and Bob Symons

Marty McCoy made a motion to approved the minutes of the January 27, 2016 Interoperability Executive Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Jim Archerd and passed on a voice vote.

Bob Symons provided and overview and suggested changes to Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan (SCIP.

The PSCC WyoLink Recommendations were used to develop the draft goals and initiatives. The following are the draft goals:

Goal 1 – Improve WyoLink coverage in rural areas identified through users experience, mobile coverage testing and benefit to WyoLink.

Initiative 1 – Add new WyoLink sites in the Alcova Area – Natrona County, north western Sublette County – Bondurant area, and Northern Goshen County

Initiative 2 – Add new WyoLink sites in the southern portion of the Big Horn Mountains – Ten Sleep area, Northern Big Horn County and Orin Junction – Converse County

Goal 2 – Improve WyoLink portable radio coverage in urban areas identified through users experience and coverage testing.

Initiative 1 – Add WyoLink Portable Coverage enhancement sites in community areas with a minimum population base of 3,500 persons. Rock Springs, Evanston, Jackson, Buffalo and Newcastle

Initiative 2 – Add WyoLink Portable Coverage Enhancement sites in community areas with a minimum population base of 1,200 persons. Sundance, Greybull, Lusk and Wright

Goal 3 – Replace obsolete Quantar base radios with GTR8000 base radios.

Initiative 1 – Replace the 346 Quantar base radios before the WyoLink System upgrades to the Operating Version 7.18

Goal 4 – Convert the leased T1 circuits to a Broadband Unified Network, reducing the monthly leased charges.

Goal 5 – Create a standard budget for the WyoLink System ongoing costs including hardware maintenance, software maintenance and broadband costs.

Goal 6 – Review and upgrade WyoLink and Interoperable Communication training program

Initiative 1 – Review and upgrade WyoLink Handbook

Initiative 2 – Review and revise training program to include videos

Initiative 3 – Explore a help desk availability during business hours

Initiative 4 – Continue the Train-the-trainer training and seek out users wanting training on a regular basis.

Goal 7 – Review and revise interoperability program to include interoperable talkgroups, conventional national interoperable channels, vehicular repeaters, and federal interoperable channels.

Goal 8 – Mobile and Portable radio purchases shall meet the Project 25 standard, including the trunking option, and approved by the WyoLink Support Office for use on WyoLink.

Discussion on the user fees. WYDOT has been charged by the Legislature to develop and administer user fees. There is a two year period to develop the user fee schedule.

The draft E-SCIP will be presented to the PSCC at their March meeting for input on the goals and initiatives. There may need to add measurements to the goals.

Being no further business, Chairman Hornecker adjourned the meeting at 1:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**Robert Symons**