

WyoLink Support Manager Report to the PSCC
September 15, 2010

WyoLink has 48 of the 55 identified core sites functional. Two additional WyoLink sites under construction may be completed during the fall of 2010. This would bring the count of operational WyoLink sites to 50, over 90% of the WyoLink core sites that have been identified so far.

We are waiting for US Forest Service approval of Special Use Permits for three more sites. These sites are Angles Trailhead (or another site in the area), Duncan Lake and Pow Wow. We expect construction to begin on three of the five pending sites on Forest Service Land by the end of 2010; Salt Pass (We have the permit for this site, but are waiting for final approval to begin construction), Hell Hole Ridge (we are waiting on approval of building and tower plans by the Idaho Department of Public Works), and Duncan Lake (this permit is anticipated to be granted around the middle of September). The Pow Wow Point site may not be operational until 2011, as the Forest Service does not anticipate this permit to be approved in time to complete construction in 2010. The permit for the site near Elk Mountain at Halleck Ridge is in process with the BLM, and seems to be on track for construction to begin this fall.

I am working with the PSCC, the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security and several local agencies on Portable Coverage Enhancement Sites, with detailed Design work to begin on Torrington, Rawlins, Lander and Laramie. Noise Floor Monitoring will be performed at six sites in preparation for designing the RF equipment. Bob Symons and I are working with local agencies to address issues with leases as questions arise.

During the week of September 6th, Rob Wilson, Bob Symons, Larry Sheridan and I met with Motorola to discuss Lifecycle Management, WyoLink support issues and the possibility that an upgrade to the system software in the Master Site (among other locations) may be needed to keep WyoLink current and able to be supported and expanded. When more information is available, I will bring it to the PSCC with my recommendations (in consultation with Robert Wilson and Bob Symons).

About 73 Federal, State and Local Agencies are now registered to use WyoLink, with approximately 5800 radios on the system. At least 10 agencies are currently using WyoLink for their daily operations. WyoLink continues to work with agencies wishing to move their operations to WyoLink to create codeplugs for them to insert into their radios. To date this year, some 3,714 codeplugs have been created by the WyoLink Office, with some 236 on the schedule for WyoLink to complete (750 are on the schedule for WAC to complete for Albany County). WyoLink has obtained permission to utilize retired WyoLink employee Kent Drummond for codeplugs or other vitally important surge work through November, 2010. Mr. Drummond has completed several weeks of field work at WyoLink sites, configuring site monitoring equipment.

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To date in 2010 (January 1st through August 31st), the WyoLink system handled 4,359,502 radio calls for a total time on the air of 13,900 hours (579 days). The chart attached to this report shows WyoLink usage visually. Busy indications remain at an insignificant 0.051%.

