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EDUCATION SESSION MINUTES

The Transportation Commission of Wyoming met in the I-80 Room of the WYDOT University Training Building in Cheyenne and via Zoom on May 20, 2026. Chair Lyman convened the education session at 1:30 p.m. The following members were present, constituting a quorum.

Chair Brandt Lyman, Rock Springs
Commissioner Pat Crank, Cheyenne
Commissioner Susan Holmes, Sheridan
Director Darin Westby
Commission Secretary Kimberly Chapman

Others present and participating in the meeting: Taylor Rossetti, Deputy Director/Support Services Administrator; Neil Gardiner, WyoLink Support Manager; Jason Gilmor, WyoLink Principal Technician; Adam Martin, Emergency Communications Principal Technician; Chris Salmon, Emergency Communications Senior Technician; Mike Kahler, Supervising Attorney General; MacKenzie Sewell, Assistant Attorney General; Senator Stephan Pappas; and Susan Elliott, Executive Assistant.

1. WyoLink Tour: Neil Gardiner provided an overview of WyoLink, the state's interoperable communication system supported by WYDOT. He discussed current system users, system management and approvals by the PSCC, the onboarding process for new users, and the regional layout of tower sites. He also explained the naming conventions for WyoLink talkgroups and channels. Additionally, Mr. Gardiner reviewed the regular reports included in the commission packet and the information provided within them.

   Following the briefing, the Commission toured the WyoLink Office in the Planning Building for a live demonstration of system operations and an inspection of the equipment preparation and server rooms.

   The group then traveled to the Highway 85 WyoLink Tower Site south of Cheyenne, where Commissioners viewed the server and radio building, tower infrastructure, and recently upgraded microwave systems. While on-site, Mr. Gilmor demonstrated a drone-conducted tower inspection, highlighting how drone technology improves efficiency and safety compared to traditional technician- conducted inspections via tower climbs.