WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL 800 MHZ COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Joint Operating Committee

AMENDED AGENDA

Friday ~ April 18, 2014 ~ 10:00 a.m.
Washoe County Administration Complex
Building A – Second Floor Caucus Room
1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada

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http://www.washoecounty.us/technology/800MHzJointOperatingCommittee.htm;

The 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee may consider items on the agenda out of order.

The 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee may combine two or more agenda items for consideration.

The 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

Time Limits – Public comments are welcomed during the Public Comment periods for all matters, whether listed on the agenda or not, and are limited to three (3) minutes per person. Additionally, public comment specific to the action item of three (3) minutes per person will be heard during individual action items on the agenda. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and/or attend and make comment on that item at the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee meeting. Persons may not allocate unused time to other speakers.

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Responses to Public Comments – The 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee can deliberate or take action only if a matter has been listed on an agenda properly posted prior to the meeting. During the Public Comment period, speakers may address matters listed or not listed on the published agenda. The Open Meeting Law does not expressly prohibit responses to public comments by the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee. However, responses from 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee to unlisted public comment topics could become deliberation on a matter without notice to the public. On the advice of legal counsel and to ensure the public has notice of all matters the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee will consider, 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee may choose not to respond to public comments, except to correct factual inaccuracies, ask for Washoe County staff action or to ask that a matter be listed on a future 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee meeting agenda. The 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee may do this either during the Public Comment item or during the following item: “800 MHz JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS (Non-action item).”

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1. **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL** [Non-action item]

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** [Non-action item] - Comment heard under this item will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee agenda. The 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to three (3) minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee as a whole.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 17, 2014, MINUTES** [For possible action]

4. **CORRESPONDENCE** [Non-action item] – Tim Leighton

5. **NOMINATION OF MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE NEVADA PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE AS DEFINED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 2014-01** [For possible action] – A review, discussion and possible action to appoint a representative to the Nevada Public Safety Communications Committee as defined in Executive Order 2014-01.

6. **SUGGESTED MODIFICATIONS TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT** (For possible action) – A review, discussion and possible direction and or recommendation to staff on the upcoming renewal of and suggested modifications to the WCRCS (Washoe County Regional Communications System) Interlocal Agreement. Ryan Sommers – Chair, 800 MHz Users Committee

7. **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR COST SHARING OF UPGRADING THE FIVE (5) VIDA (Voice, Interoperability, Data, and Access) IP (Internet Protocol) SWITCHES** – [For possible action] – A review, discussion and possible action to approve, deny or otherwise modify an Interlocal agreement to split the cost of upgrading the five VIDA IP Switches to SR10A with the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) Users, in an amount not to exceed $497,500.00. Shawn Tayler – Regional Communications Coordinator

8. **AREAS OF LIMITED COMMUNICATIONS** [For possible action] – A review, discussion and possible action to approve, deny or otherwise modify a proposal to secure a cost estimates to conduct a study of options to address communications coverage issues. Shawn Tayler – Regional Communications Coordinator

9. **WEDEKIND RADIO SITE** [For possible action] – A review, discussion and possible action to approve, deny or otherwise modify a request by the City of Sparks for assistance in the acquisition, development and future operations of a radio repeater site located on BLM (Bureau of Land Management) land. This site is located north of Wedekind Road and east of the Pyramid Highway and when completed will provide improved coverage for all agencies that operate in the Spanish Springs area including the Pyramid Highway corridor. Jake Conely - City of Sparks. [Continued from January 17, 2014]
10. **BI-DIRECTION AMPLIFIER (BDA) RFI (Request for Information) UPDATE** [Non-action item] – An informational update on the request for information (RFI) process for a bidirectional amplifier at John Ascuagua’s Nugget (Sparks, Nevada). The proposed enhancement will provide radio coverage within the facility where there is little or no radio capability today and where special events create the need for interoperable communications. Gwen Brandenburg – The Galena Group, Inc.

11. **800 MHz USERS COMMITTEE UPDATE** [For possible action] – A review, discussion and possible direction on recent actions/recommendations of the 800 MHz Communications System Users Committee. Ryan Sommers

12. **800-MHz REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM STATUS UPDATE** [Non-action item] – An informational update on the status of the communications system. Shawn Tayler – Regional Communications Coordinator

13. **COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM RADIO UPDATE** [For possible action] – A review, discussion and possible direction to staff to work with NDOT (Nevada Department of Transportation), NV DPS (Nevada Department of Public Safety) and NV Energy on testing and evaluating possible new radio system technologies. Shawn Tayler – Regional Communications Coordinator

14. **COMMUNICATIONS PLAN AND USE OF MUTUAL AID FREQUENCY DURING A SYSTEM FAILURE** [For possible action] – A review, discussion and possible action to approve, deny or otherwise modify a recommendation by the 800 MHz Users Committee to approve an update to the SOG (Standard Operating Guidelines), including update on work done to date as well as goals and publication of the guide, that includes the Interlocal Agreement and rules for usage of the system as well as an inventory of command vehicles, other mobile equipment and protocols for deployment during critical emergency incidents for current and future users of the regional communications system.

15. **CO-LOCATION SERVICES AT THE FOX MOUNTAIN SITE** [For possible action] – An ongoing review, discussion and possible action approve, deny or otherwise modify the 800 MHz Users Committee recommendation on the Allied Nevada Gold Corporation’s request for use of WCRCS (Washoe County Regional Communications System) generated power for the Fox Mountain Repeater site building and antenna tower. Shawn Tayler – Regional Communications Coordinator


17. **INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION ON FIRSTNET** [Non-action item] – An informational presentation for communications stakeholders on the current status of the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband initiative, including requirements for data collection and proposed timetables. George Molnar – Nevada Statewide Interoperability Coordinator
18. **EMERGENCY ITEMS** [For possible action]

19. **800 MHz JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS** [Non-action item] – *The next meeting of the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee is Friday, July 18, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.*

20. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** [Non-action item] - Comment heard under this item will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee agenda. The 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to three (3) minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee as a whole.

21. **ADJOURNMENT** [Non-action item]