

# WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

## *P25 Joint Operating Committee*

Tracy Moore, Chair  
Ryan Sommers, Vice-chair  
Vacant, Secretary

***\*\*Draft Meeting Minutes\*\****

**Friday, October 15, 2021**

**This meeting will begin directly after the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee meeting but will not begin earlier than 10:30 a.m.**

**Meeting held by teleconference.**

### **Agenda**

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

The meeting was called to order at 11:35 a.m.

#### **Present**

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|--|---------------|
| • City of Reno                             | Dave Cochran  |
| • City of Sparks                           | Jim Reid      |
| • Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority             | Brent Finster |
| • Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District | Charlie Moore |
| • Truckee Meadows Water Authority          | Levi Kleiber  |
| • UNR                                      | Ed Atwell     |
| • US Dept. of Veteran Affairs              | Bryan Boren   |
| • Washoe County School District            | Tracy Moore   |

#### **Absent**

- Nevada Air National Guard
- North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District
- Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
- US DEA (vacant)
- Washoe County

Deputy District Attorney Keith Munro was also present.

**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 P25 Radio System Joint Operating Committee agenda. The P25 Radio System Joint Operating Committee will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to three (3) minutes per



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person. Comments are to be made to the P25 Radio System Joint Operating Committee as a whole.

There was no response to the call for public comment; no comments were submitted prior to the meeting.

### **3. ELECTION OF OFFICER [For Possible Action]**

#### **a. Secretary**

Charlie Moore, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, nominated and moved to appoint Jim Reid, City of Sparks, as Committee Secretary. Mr. Reid accepted. Brent Finster, Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority, seconded the motion. There was no response to the call Committee or public comment. Upon a call for a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

### **4. APPROVAL OF THE JULY 30, 2021, MEETING MINUTES [For Possible Action] – Committee members may identify any additions or corrections to the draft minutes as transcribed.**

Charlie Moore, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, moved to approve the minutes as written. Brent Finster, Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority, provided the second. There was no response to the call for Committee or public comment. Upon a call for the vote, the motion carried unanimously.

### **5. NEVADA SHARED RADIO SYSTEM PROJECT UPDATE [For Discussion Only] – A review and discussion on the progress of the Nevada Share Radio System project including discussion on project schedule and impacts of the project specific to the Washoe County Regional Communications System. *Quinn Korbolic & Melissa Lawney, Washoe County Technology Services***

Melissa Lawney, Washoe County Technology Services, reviewed her presentation for this item (attached) providing updates on the Microwave DDR, Router Testing, REMSA Consoles, and the Red Rock, Smokey Quartz, Yellow Peak, Cold Springs, Fox Mountain, Tahoe Biltmore, and Marble Bluff sites.

Additionally, she shared a member of the WCRCS team, Greg Krantz, would be leaving with his last day being October 21, 2021.

### **6. P25 RADIO SYSTEM 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 P25 Radio System Joint Operating Committee is scheduled for January 21, 2022.**

Jim Reid, City of Sparks, requested an on-going agenda item to provide the P25 implementation schedule with a focus on the windows to purchase equipment in preparation for when Harris will be onsite to help with budget planning for the agencies.

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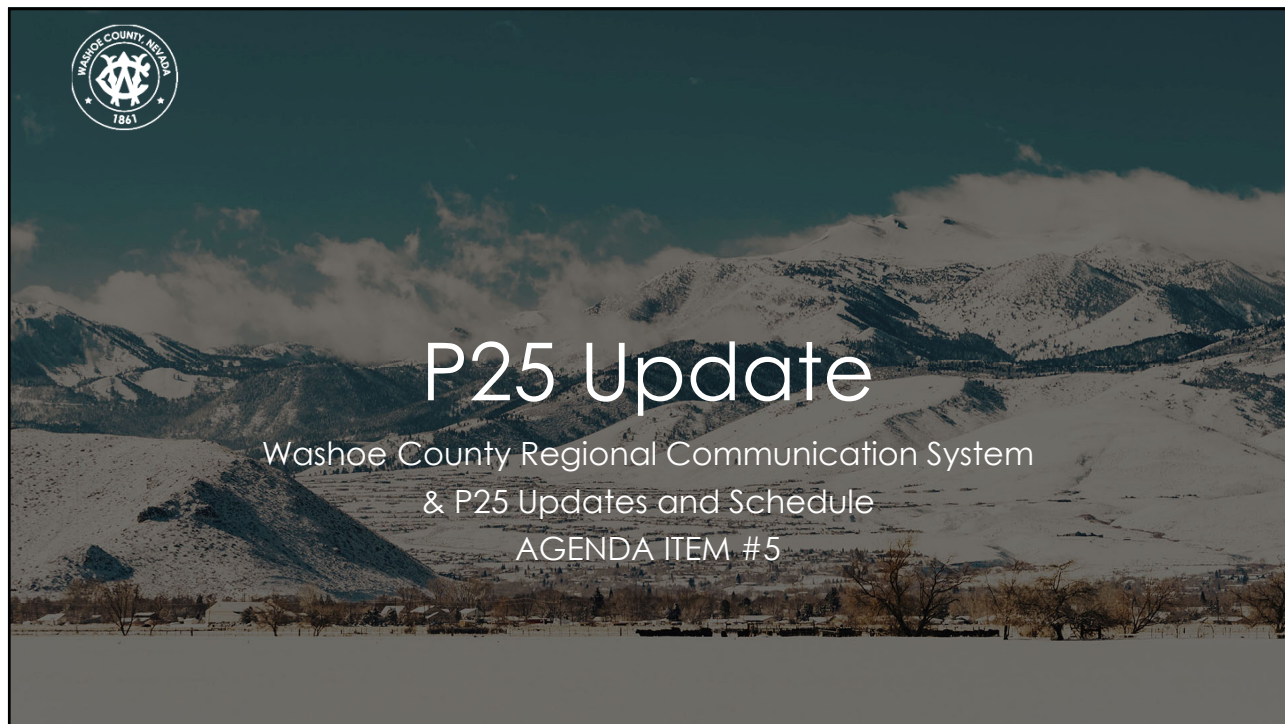
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There was no response to the call for public comment.

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

The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.



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Project Update

- Microwave DDR occurred on Monday, 27 September 2021.
  - Design packages required additional mark-ups to reflect the approved upon design.
  - Bill of Material required quality check to validate equipment design.
  - Overall, the design was redundant, and logical.
- 7705 Router testing conducted in the L3Harris Lab- Tuesday October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- Everything checked out great.
- So the Router Installations will be commencing at various sites over the next few weeks/ months.

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## Project Update

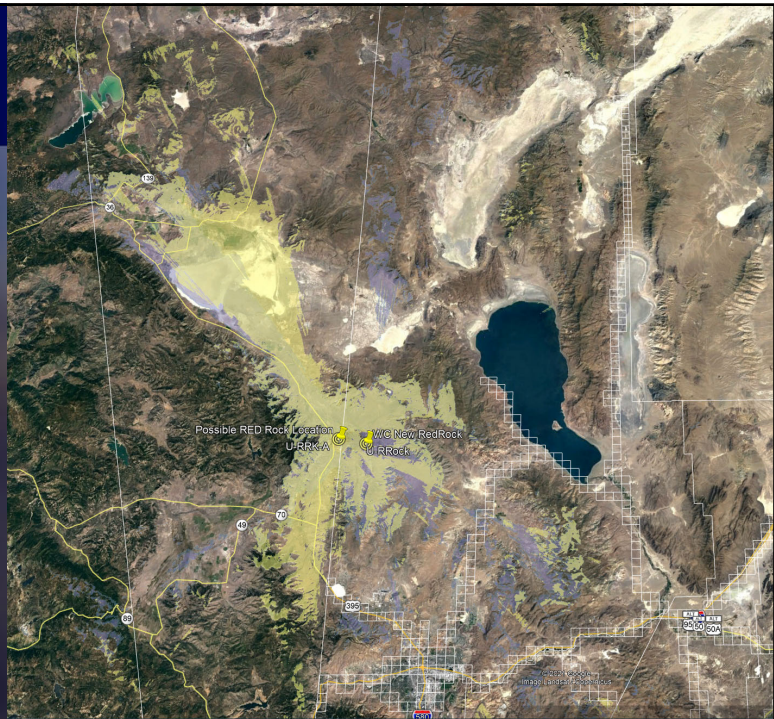
- Red Rock & Smokey Quartz
  - Chairman Bob Lucey had a conversation with Jon Raby Nevada State Director of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in regards to prioritizing the Washoe County Applications.
  - BLM Resource has been assigned to process applications for land use.
    - Smokey Quartz is being processed, and BLM will allow us to move forward with the NEPA application and Geo Technical Study.
    - Red Rock is located near a Sage Grouse Habitat, and BLM has recommended some alternative sites to review. After Engineering Review has been completed, we will have to determine if we proceed forward with the applications understanding it could be denied.

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## Project Update

- Red Rock Alternative Site-picture and RF Plot
- Yellow is the new proposed site from BLM
- Blue is what the current design and site provides
  - If we go with BLM proposed site we lose pleasant valley and chunks of RED rock.
  - I recommend we go through all the environmental studies, instead of going with a California Site for BLM convenience.



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## Project Update

- Red Peak
  - Working on getting agreement in place for land lease with property owner.
  - Final Construction drawing package in review
  - Site build to begin February – March 2022
- Yellow Peak
  - Working with Sheldon-Hart Mountain National Wildlife Refuge Complex
  - Also looking for alternative sites incase this site doesn't work out.
  - Refuge recommended working with the BLM for a site co-locate. Just been put in contact with the site owner out there to learn more about capabilities and restrictions.
- Cold Springs
  - Construction drawing package now at 95%
  - Site Build expected (2/22-4/22)
  - NVE working power design waiting for final construction drawings to proceed with distribution line extension.
  - Working on Special Use Permit to be submitted for December meeting
  - This site will provide radio coverage along Hwy 395 North

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## Project Update

- Fox Mountain Solar Installation
  - Installation starts October 18, 2021
    - Install Micro-grid with Bi-facial Solar panels
    - Upgrade Battery and rectifier set, while removing older Battery system
    - Redesign of ATS, generator connections, in order to accommodate the new Microgrid installation.
    - Work look to be on-going until first two weeks in November.
    - Will be planning an outage at Fox. We will provide everyone with a 72 hours notice of the planned outage.



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## Project Update: Biltmore

- Biltmore Casino was sold to EKN Development group.
  - CEO of EKN assured us that they are willing to work with Public Safety.
  - This does mean we are starting over with briefing a whole new team.
- Also scoped out possible site replacements for the Biltmore site with L3Harris team.
  - 3 Possible solutions exist:
    - Watertank APN (IVGID Contracts allows for 10X17 Shelter)
    - State of Nevada Parcel (2 miles down the road, LOS for all microwave paths)
    - Purchase of Private estate- Next door neighbor to Biltmore has home for sale.)
  - Waiting for cost associated with the 3 solutions.

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## Project Update: Marble Bluff

- Marble Bluff Construction Management (CMAR)
  - September 16th: Advertise for Construction Management at Risk services (CMAR)
  - September 28th: Site walk with bidders was successful
  - October 4th, 2021: so far there have been no questions on the RFQ
  - October 15th: Bids Due Today
  - Expected Award End of October
- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Environmental Team (AZ) working on environment exception (Due to "like for like" replacement)
- BIA Realty Agents in Carson City engaged with the Marble Bluff Project, will be updating BIA record to reflect Interlocal agreement.

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## Misc Updates

- WCRCS Team is losing Greg Krantz to Carson City
  - Greg's last day is October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021
  - We wish him the best in his future endeavors
  - Position will be posted soon (\* already have a lot of interest)
- REMSA Consoles
  - These consoles will be the first windows 10 Consoles, and they will be attached to the new Region 0 – P25 core. Installation to begin Oct 18<sup>th</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup> of October.

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## Questions?

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