### *State Interoperability Executive Council (SIEC). Update*

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# SIEC and the Statewide Interoperability Program



### Background. Statewide Interoperability Executive Council (SIEC)

*"Seamless interoperable emergency communications" -* an interdisciplinary, whole community approach to interoperability

Membership	<ul> <li>22 Members defined by statue</li> <li>Public Safety and Communications Representatives</li> <li>State, Local, County, Tribal Partners</li> <li>Public Safety Practitioners,</li> <li>Legislators</li> </ul>	
Committees	<ul> <li>Executive</li> <li>Strategic Planning</li> <li>Broadband</li> <li>Technical</li> <li>Partnership</li> </ul>	
Focus Areas	<ul> <li>Governance</li> <li>Funding &amp; Sustainment</li> <li>Technology</li> <li>Training &amp; Exercise</li> </ul>	
Communications Ecosystem	<ul> <li>911 &amp; Dispatch</li> <li>Land Mobile Radio</li> <li>Public Safety Broadband</li> <li>Alerts, Warnings, &amp; Notifications</li> </ul>	







### SIEC. Charter, Accomplishments, and Success Indicators

### The Council Charter

- Foundational guidance document for the SIEC
- Defines the overarching principles and structure of the SIEC
- Defines the mission of the SIEC in alignment with ORS 403.450
- Outlines SIEC success indicators

### **Historic Accomplishments**

- ✓ *FirstNet.* Establishment and development of the statewide plan for FirstNet
- SCIP. Implementation of State Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP)
- Collaborative Forum. Key driver of interoperability efforts within the State

### Success Indicators for the SIEC

- Awareness. Stakeholders and beneficiaries are aware of SIEC and SCIP
- *Agreement.* There is a consensus on issues of interoperability
- Alignment. Oregon meets or exceeds requirements from the National Emergency Communications Plan (NECP)
- *Leadership.* The SIEC becomes a leader, standard-setter, and statewide resource
- FirstNet Implementation. Oregon coordinates activities required for the successful implementation of FirstNet throughout Oregon
- Continuous Improvement. There is measurable improvement in interoperability and the sustainability of critical communications infrastructure

### Operability vs. Interoperability

- **Operability** Ability to provide and maintain reliable communications functionality throughout the area of responsibility.
- Interoperability Ability of emergency response officials to share information via voice and data signals on demand, in real time, when needed, and as authorized.





### SIEC. Committee Structure



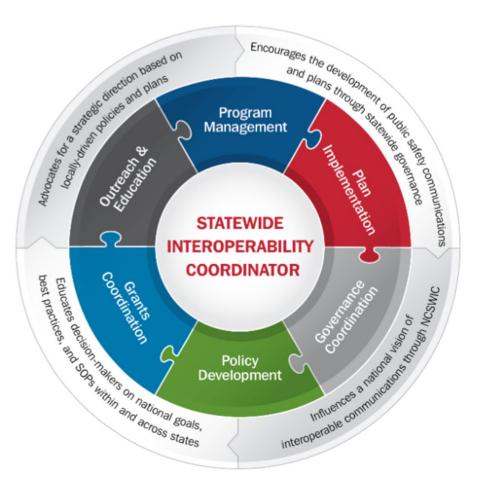




# Statewide Interoperability. Program and SIEC

### Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC)

- Enabling Legislation. Established under Enterprise Information Services (EIS) pursuant to ORS 403.460\*
- **Role.** Serves as the primary point of coordination for all statewide interoperable emergency communications efforts; and mediates disputes amongst public bodies
- **Duties.** Supports the *State Interoperability Executive Council* (SIEC) and assists with the update and implementation of the *State Communications Interoperability Plan* (SCIP)
- Representation. Serves as a member of the National Council of SWICs (NCSWIC)\*\*



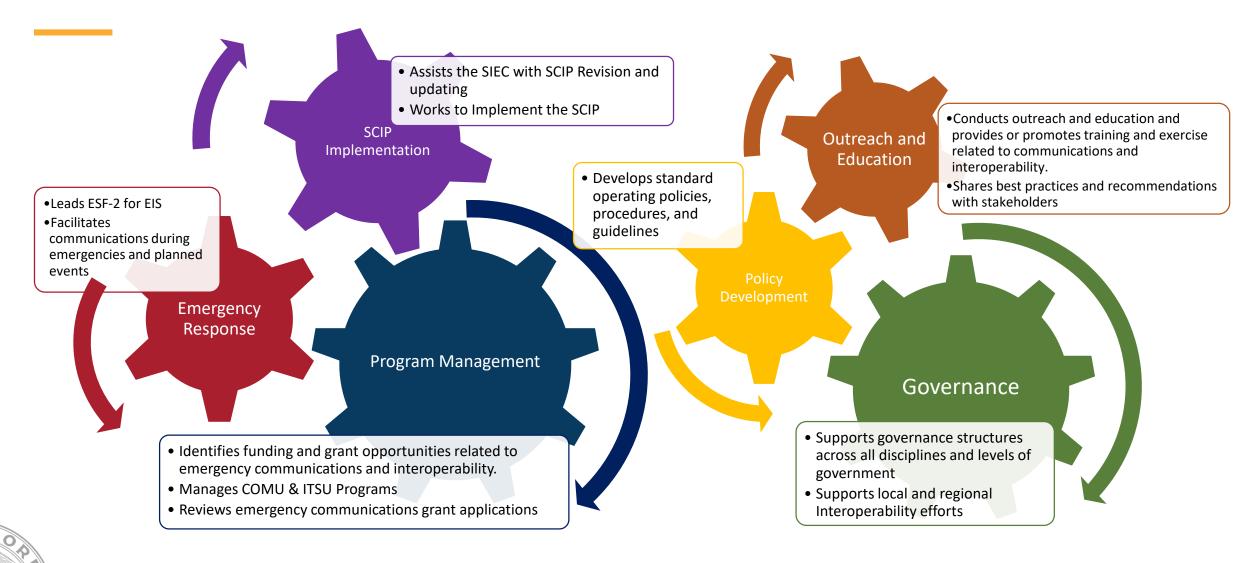
\*Previously the SWIC has been housed within the Oregon State Police, Office of Emergency Management and the Oregon

Department of Transportation

\*\*Each state/territory has a designated SWIC



### Statewide Interoperability. What does the SWIC do?





## Statewide Interoperability. Top Priorities

OR-Alert	<ul> <li>Implementation for all Counties</li> <li>Establish Governance Committee</li> <li>Develop Statewide Alerts and Warnings Best Practices Guide</li> </ul>
COMU	<ul> <li>Begin Certifying Trainees</li> <li>Establish In-State Training Cadre</li> <li>Build Relationships</li> </ul>
NG-911	<ul> <li>Develop Strategic Plan</li> <li>Create Sub-Working Groups</li> <li>Obtain Funding &amp; Support for Implementation</li> </ul>

"Interoperability begins with relationships"



# Statewide Interoperability. Significant Activities

- Update of Oregon State Interoperability Markers Assessment
- 2020 Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP) Update
- Establishment of All-Hazards Communications
   Unit Program
  - ✓ Communications Unit Leader Training
  - ✓ Auxiliary Communicator Training
  - ✓ Incident Tactical Dispatcher Training
  - ✓ Comms Exercise planned for June
  - ✓ Integrated with Telecommunicators Emergency Response Team (TERT)
- Emergency Communications Grant Funding Webinar
- ✓ Statewide Alerts and Warnings System (OR-Alert)
- ✓ Federal Interoperability Channels MOU
- ✓ Tactical Interoperable Communications Field Operations Guide (TIC-FOG) Update
- ✓ Cybersecurity Training for PSAPs
- Incorporation of Oregon Statewide Cyber
   Disruption and Response and Recovery Plan Goal
   into SCIP
- ✓ Formation of the Washington/Oregon Regional Joint Interoperability Committee (WORJIC)

- Deployment to the State ECC in support of COVID-19 Response, Wildfires, & Winter Storms
  - ✓ Supported Oregon Medical Station and Vaccine Clinics at Fairgrounds
  - ✓ Supported OEM's move to DPSST
  - ✓ ESF-2 Coordination Calls and Sit Reps
    - Public-Private coordination with cellular & broadband providers, public safety radio systems, 911 centers, and emergency managers.
  - ✓ Supported 15 Seat Call center in support of OED
  - $\checkmark$  Supported 6 Seat Call center in Support of Gov's Office
  - $\checkmark$  Supported Communications for Wilsonville Distribution Facility
  - ✓ Integrated with Federal ESF-2 for intergovernmental support
  - $\checkmark \quad \mbox{Coordination of Communications Critical Infrastructure Protection}$
  - Coordinated out-of-state communications support.







# Statewide Interoperability. OR-Alert



### Mass Notification with Incident

**Communications.** Enabling local and statewide alerts and warnings across 25+ channels using GIS-based message targeting, and providing templates that automate recipients and content based on location, incident type and severity—reducing error and ensuring message integrity\*



#### **Community Engagement**. Enabling

anonymous opt-ins to state and local notifications using keywords or ZIP codes, and providing one-click publishing across all channels\*



**SMARTWeather.** Specific, map-driven, targeted, rules-based and automated weather alerts from the National Weather Service\*



**OR-Alert Mission** – *Ensure access to timely and informative alerts, warnings and notifications (AWNs) through implementation of a statewide system that enables state, county, city and tribal governments to issue AWNs—providing people in Oregon with meaningful opportunities to make life-saving decisions in the face of emergencies* 

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## Statewide Interoperability. Cybersecurity Training

### **PROTECT YOUR CENTER FROM RANSOMWARE**

#### **OREGON STATE INTEROPERABILITY PROGRAM**

#### RANSOMWARE: WHAT IS IT?

Ransomware is a type of malicious software (a.k.a malware) that cyber criminals use to extort money from organizations. When activated. ransomware encrypts information stored on your computer and attached network drives, and demands a ransom payment in exchange for the decryption key.

Ransomware attacks are costly and disruptive; there are serious risks to consider before paying ransom. The Federal Government does not recommend paying ransom. When organizations are faced with an inability to function, they must evaluate all options to protect themselves and their operations.

#### **IF YOU BELIEVE YOUR COMPUTER IS** INFECTED WITH MALWARE

Contact your IT department and supervisor immediately

If you can locate the Ethernet cable, unplug the computer from the network

#### If you can't disconnect the computer from the network, unplug it from power

For laptops: hold down the power button until the light is completely off and remove the battery if possible

#### **IMPORTANT CONTACTS**

#### STATE OF OREGON

- · Oregon Cybersecurity State Incident Response Team (503) 378-5930 eso.soc@oregon.gov
- Oregon Emergency Response System (OERS) 1-800-452-0311
- State Interoperability Program
- (503) 373-7251 william.chapman@oregon.gov

#### WHY ARE PSAPS A TARGET?

Emergency communications operations are crucial to public health and safety; interruptions in service could result in loss of life. Because they are so important, public safety answering points (PSAPs) and emergency communications centers (ECCs) are high-value targets for cyber threat actors.



Talk with your IT manager for guidance on running software and operating system updates. These updates include the latest security patches, making it harder for cybercriminals to compromise your computer.

#### The Federal Government advises organizations <u>NOT</u> to pay any ransom. Organizations should maintain off-site, tested backups of critical data.

If your center has experienced a ransomware attack or any other malicious cybersecurity activity, the following contacts may provide assistance

 Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) (888) 282-0870 www.cisa.gov

Analysis Center®

www.ic3.gov

#### PROTECTING YOUR CENTER

Practice cyber awareness and complete all required cybersecurity training. Knowing and following your organization's cybersecurity policies is key to protecting your center. PHISHING

#### Attackers will send emails enticing users to open an attachment or click a link. Taking either action will lead to ransomware infection.

- Be suspicious of any email asking you to follow a link or open an attachment
- If you are not expecting an email attachment from a co-worker, give them a call to verify
- Report suspicious emails to your IT staff
- Never check personal email from computers with access to Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), Records Management System (RMS), or other mission critical systems
- Hover over a hyperlink with your mouse to see the hyperlink address. If the written hyperlink and the one shown when hovering are different- this is a red flag
- Avoid clicking in pop-ups. Attackers use pop-ups to entice users to click on pop-up windows which may trigger malicious software

#### SOCIAL ENGINEERING

#### Attackers use social engineering to trick you into disclosing confidential information or clicking a malicious link. They study your "digital footprint" (e.g. social media accounts) and create emails designed to exploit your trusted relationships.

- Remove any work-related information from your social media accounts
- Be suspicious of emails or phone calls from management asking you to do something outside of protocol or procedure
- Be suspicious of emails from coworkers and friends asking you to click a link or open an attachment

#### DRIVE-BY-DOWNLOAD

Attackers will host ransomware on websites or through advertising networks. Just visiting a malicious site will enable malware or ransomware infection.

- Never browse the internet from a computer with access to CAD, RMS, or other mission critical system
- If your center has a designated computer for internet browsing, check with IT to ensure that your
- computer and web browser are up-to-date, and pop-up blocking is enabled Web browsing should be limited to websites related to your mission and job responsibilities

#### USERNAME & PASSWORD COMPROMISE

#### Attackers can use compromised usernames and passwords to log on to your workstation remotely, or gain access to your agency's network. If your password is too simple, it can also be easily guessed.

- Use complex passwords that include upper and lower case letters, special characters, and numbers, or use a 3-4 word pass-phrase if the option is available
- Don't reuse passwords across different accounts and online services
- Don't share passwords with other users, post passwords within the center, or save work-related passwords on your personal devices

#### INFECTED USB DEVICES (USB Sticks, Thumbdrives, Smartphones, Etc)

#### Ransomware can infect a computer when a user attaches an infected USB device. Attackers may leave thumbdrives in public places hoping you will insert them into your computer.

- Never connect USB devices to CAD, RMS, or other mission critical systems
- Never charge any smartphone via a USB connection on CAD, RMS, or other mission critical systems: use a wall outlet





- FEDERAL PARTNERS

  - Multi-State Information Sharing and
    - www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field
- FBI Portland Field Office (503) 224-4181
  - FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3)

 FBI Field Office Cyber Task Forces (MS-ISAC®) (866) 787-4722

### Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan. Goals



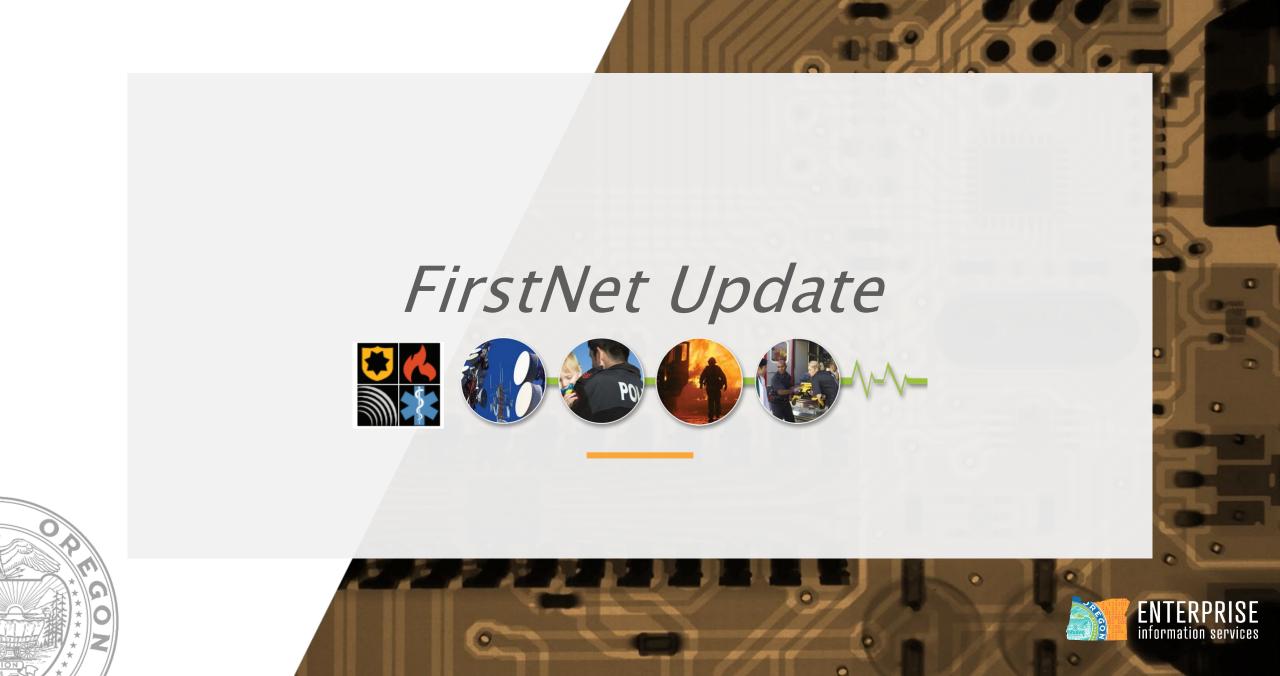
### OREGON **STATEWIDE COMMUNICATION INTEROPERABILITY PLAN**

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August 2020

Developed by the Oregon State Interoperability Executive Council with Support from the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agend





## FirstNet. At a Glance

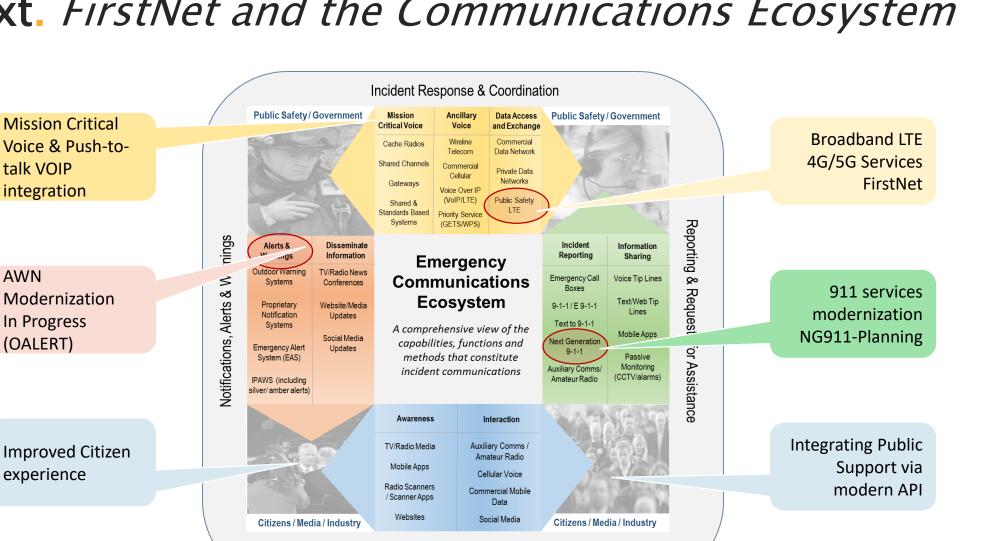








### **Context.** *FirstNet and the Communications Ecosystem*



Public Information Exchange



AWN



## FirstNet. Facts



FirstNet is unlike any other network, because it is the only network dedicated to the public safety community. FirstNet is also the only network overseen by the First Responder Network Authority, the independent agency established by Congress to deliver public safety's nationwide broadband network.



First Responder Network Authority® First Responder Network Authority<sup>®</sup> - This logo represents the First Responder Network Authority organization



This logo represents the FirstNet network and services, built with AT&T



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## FirstNet Roadmap. Domains and Priorities





### CORE

- Generational Updates (e.g., 4G to 5G)
- Priority and Preemption, including Uplift on 5G
- Mission Critical Services Platforms and Enablers on 5G
- Network Security on 5G



### COVERAGE

- Outdoor Coverage Expansion
- Indoor Coverage Expansion
- Unique Coverage Solutions Advancement



### SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- Locate and Present Personnel Location
- Location Services Integration



### VOICE COMMUNICATIONS

- Operationalize FirstNet Push-to-Talk
- Active Role in Standards
- Critical Features



### SECURE INFORMATION EXCHANGE

- Database Integration
- Application Integration

### USER EXPERIENCE

- Mission-Enabling Applications
- Mission-Capable Devices



### FirstNet Authority Roadmap 2020



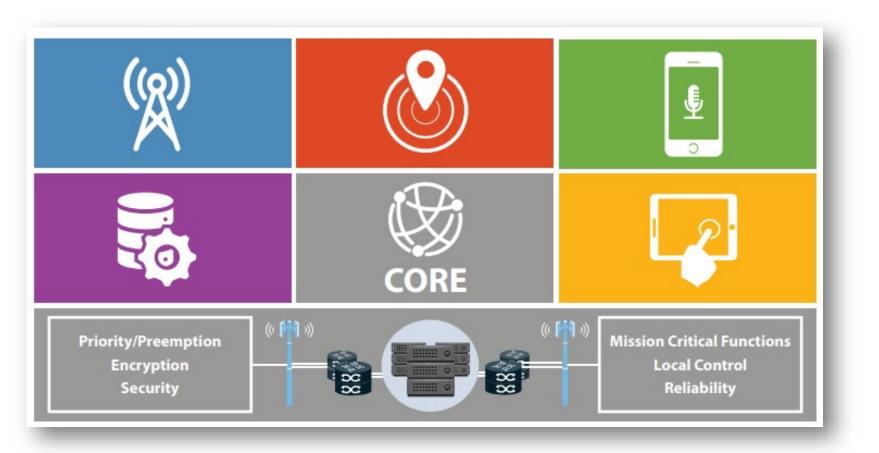
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## FirstNet Roadmap. Coverage









## FirstNet Roadmap. Situational Awareness



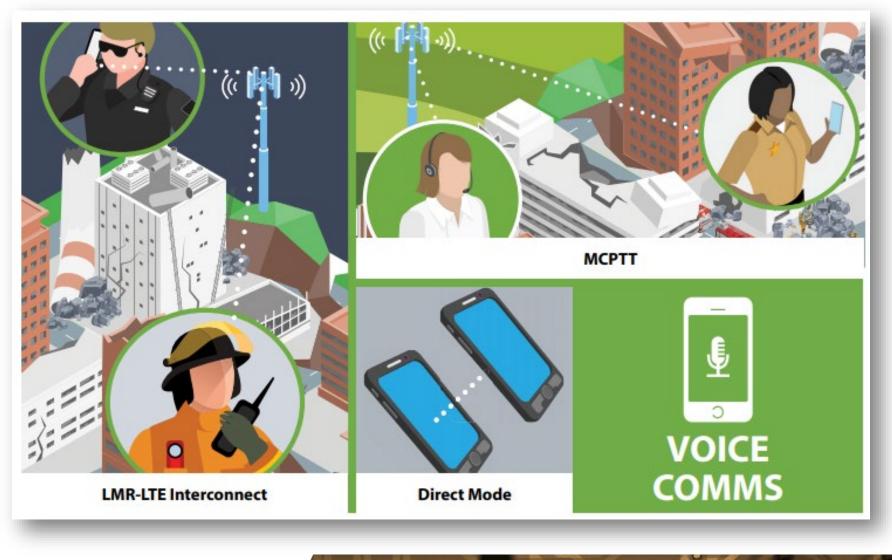






### FirstNet Roadmap. Voice Communications









## FirstNet Roadmap. User Experience



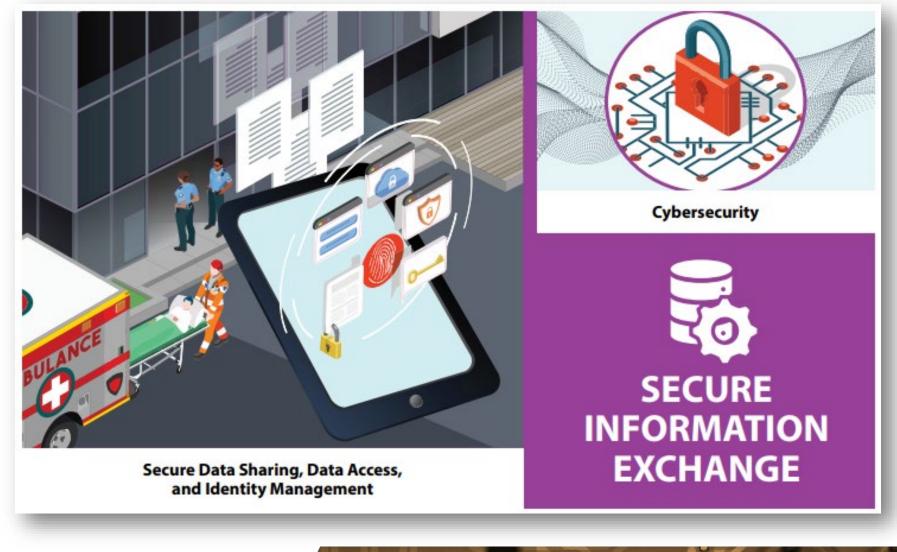






## FirstNet Roadmap. Secure Information Exchange





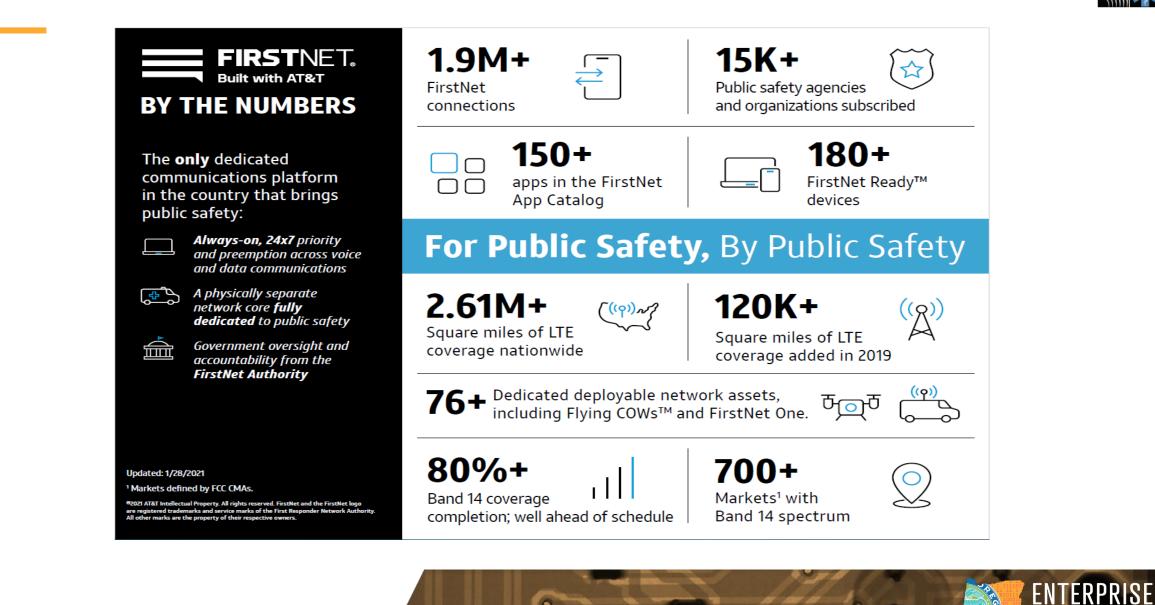




## FirstNet. National Dashboard



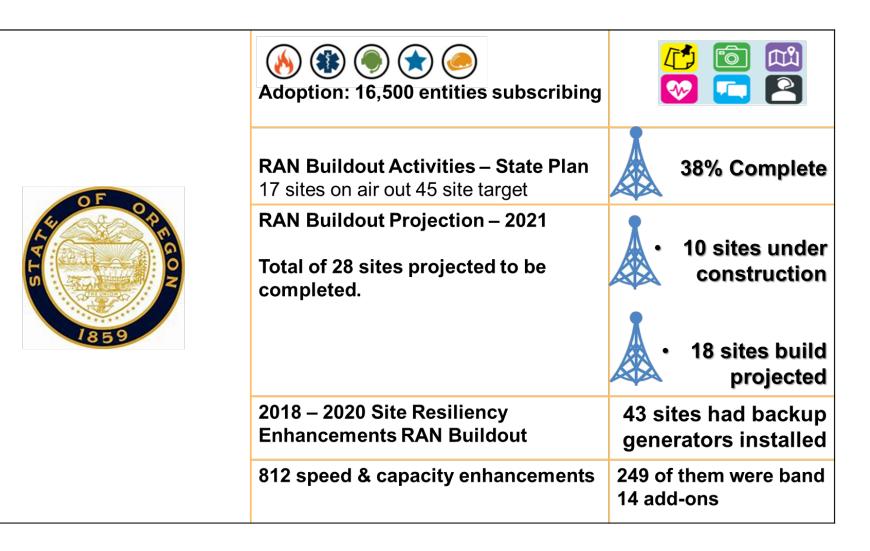
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## Firstnet. Oregon Dashboard







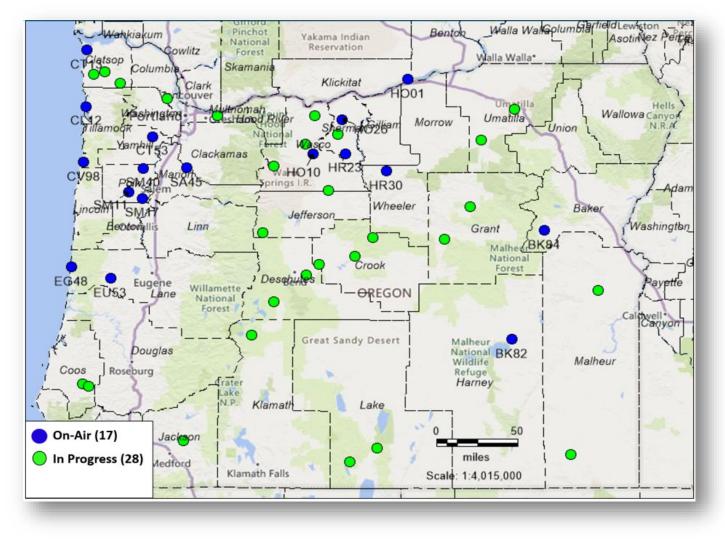


# FirstNet in Oregon. As of December 2020



### Ran Buildout Update

- 17 sites on-air
- 18 sites by Q4 of 2021
- 10 sites in construction



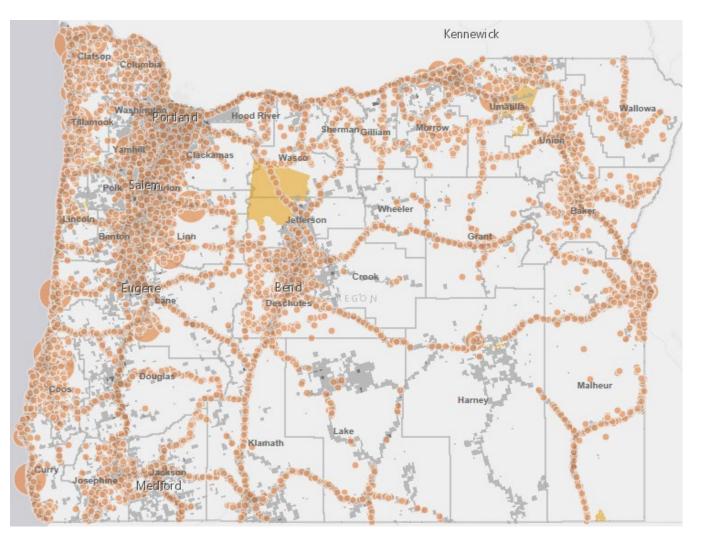


# FirstNet in Oregon. As of December 2020



### Oregon Public Safety Activity Data

- Dispatch 911 calls
- Law enforcement CAD data
- Fire assistance calls
- Medical emergency data





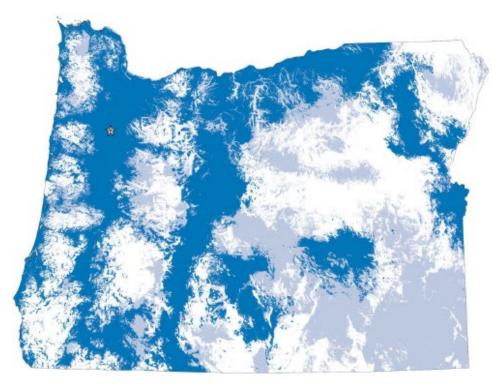


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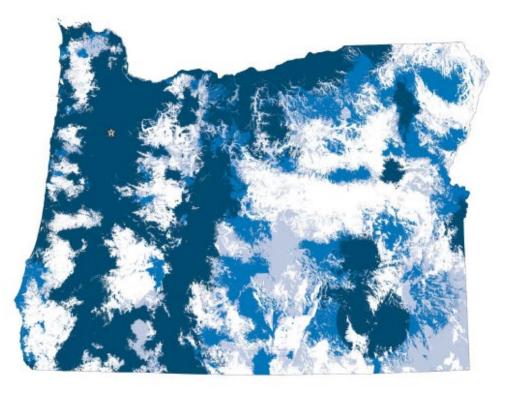


Coverage on 5/30/2018

Coverage as of 12/31/2020



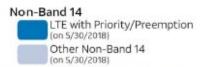
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(as of 12/31/2020)



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Band 14

Salem 3



LTE with Priority/Preemption (as of 12/31/2020) Other Non-Band 14 (as of 12/31/2020)

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# FirstNet in Oregon. Fire Emergency Deployment



□ 11 Deployments of Satellite Cells On Light Trucks (SatColts) + Generators in 3Q2020

- 1. First Responder Relief Center, Salem, OR FirstNet: Launch date: 9/30/2020
- 2. Holiday Farm Fire, Blue River, OR FirstNet: Launch date: 9/28/2020
- 3. Holiday Farm Fire, McKenzie Bridge, OR- FirstNet: Launch Date: 09/28/2020
- 4. Holiday Farm Fire, Vida, OR- FirstNet : Launch Date: 09/28/2020
- 5. Hunter Fire, Blanchard, OR- FirstNet : Launch Date: 09/15/2020
- 6. Holiday Farm Fire, Springfield, OR- FirstNet : Launch Date: 09/15/2020
- 7. Lionshead Fire, Detroit, OR- FirstNet : Launch Date: 09/12/2020
- 8. Beachie Creek Fire, Gates, OR- FirstNet : Launch Date: 09/09/2020
- 9. Holiday Farm Fire, Blue River, OR- FirstNet : Launch Date: 09/08/2020
- 10. Lionshead Fire, Warm Springs, OR- FirstNet : Launch Date: 08/26/2020
- 11. Green Ridge Fire, Camp Sherman, OR- FirstNet : Launch Date: 08/19/2020







## FirstNet. State Agency COVID Emergency Support



- 18 State Agencies received active FirstNet services related to COVID Emergency Support
- We have FirstNet enabled emergency support assets that are managed by the State SWIC that have been in use for multiple emergencies in Oregon.







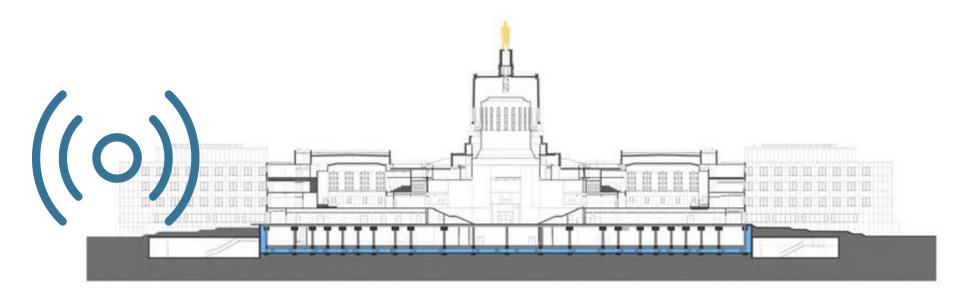


## State Buildings. RF Enhancements



### State facilities receiving in-building RF enhancements

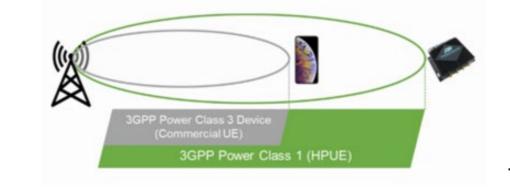
- Department of Public Safety Standards and Training *ready*
- Department of Justice (Portland Building) *ready*
- Oregon State Police *planning in progress*
- State Capitol *planning in progress*





# FirstNet . Technology Enhancements





FirstNet ready HPUE\* antenna rolled out for public safety use, built and FCC licensed specifically for Band 14 ONLY



Mission Critical Push to Talk (PTT)



FirstNet – Z-Axis location services for Public Safety







## FirstNet. Next Steps & Challenges



- FirstNet is still growing as an organization and the national public safety network is progressively being implemented in all 50 states and territories. However, we have experienced some challenges with the network that FirstNet is trying to remedy, including:
  - Resiliency Challenges, we have experienced service outages in critical emergency situations.
  - While communication from our FirstNet teams was admirable during the outages, still a public safety grade resilient service is expected by first responders in Oregon.
  - We had full visibility online and offline and the FirstNet teams recovered all major sites with effective speed.
  - Before the project closure we would like to see more backup and recovery implementation on all major sites in Oregon.





## FirstNet in Oregon. Team of Teams





#### SIEC Broadband Committee & State SPOC

State SPOC







### William Chapman State SWIC

### **Oregon State Support Team**





## FirstNet in Oregon.





*"In theory there is no difference between theory and practice; in practice there is"* 

- Yogi Berra





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Thank you for your time!