



AGENDA

Preparing for Public Safety Broadband **National Conference Center Leesburg, VA** **June 28-29, 2012**

Overview: Title VI of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 allocated spectrum for the creation of a nationwide broadband network dedicated to public safety communications—a major success for states' efforts to achieve interoperable communications among first responders and the public safety community. To assist states in their preparations for broadband, the National Governors Association (NGA) is hosting this national forum with the following objectives:

- Educating governors and other key state policymakers on challenges and opportunities related to moving to public safety broadband;
- Assisting states in the process of updating and developing statewide communications plans and business models for network development;
- Assisting states in understanding the tradeoffs between joining FirstNet or deploying their own interoperable network; and
- Supporting additional opportunities for state leadership on broadband build out and governance.

Wednesday, June 27, 2012

4:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. **Registration**
Main Lobby

5:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m. **Dinner (Overnight Guests Only)**
Conference Dining Court

Thursday, June 28, 2012

6:30 a.m.—8:00 a.m. **Breakfast (Overnight Guests Only)**
Conference Dining Court

7:00 a.m.—8:00 a.m. **Registration**
Atrium

8:00 a.m.—8:45 a.m. **Welcome and Overview**
Loudoun Auditorium

David Moore
Director
NGA Center for Best Practices

Thomas MacLellan
Director
Homeland Security & Public Safety Division
NGA Center for Best Practices

Heather Hogsett
Director
Committees on Health & Human Services and
Homeland Security & Public Safety
National Governors Association

8:45 a.m.—9:45 a.m.
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What Broadband Means to Public Safety

Charles Dowd
Deputy Chief
New York Police Department

Jeff Johnson
Chief Executive Officer
Western Fire Chief Association

Kevin McGinnis
Chair, Executive Committee
National Association of State EMS Officials

Jimmy Gianato
Homeland Security Advisor
West Virginia

9:45 a.m.—10:30 a.m.
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**Updates on Implementation at the Federal Level:
National Telecommunications and Information Administration**

Anna Gomez
Deputy Assistant Secretary
National Telecommunications and Information Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce

Laura Pettus
Director, Public Safety Grants
National Telecommunications and Information Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce

10:30 a.m.—10:45 a.m.
Atrium

Break

10:45 a.m.—11:15 a.m.
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**Updates on Implementation at the Federal Level (Continued):
Federal Communications Commission**

David Turetsky
Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Chief
Federal Communications Commission

11:15 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
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Roles of Key Decision Makers

The Role of the Governor
What are the key decision-points and dates governors need to consider?
What information do governors need about their state to make decisions?
How can governors support network build out?

Heather Hogsett, NGA

The Role of the Chief Information Officer
How are CIOs preparing for public safety broadband?
What do CIOs view as major challenges to d-block implementation?

Doug Robinson
Executive Director
NASCIO

Brenda Decker
Chief Information Officer
Nebraska

The Role of the Statewide Interoperability Coordinator

*What role should SWICs play in the network?
How do current public safety communications differ from broadband?
What are the challenges that SWICs and other communications officials face?
How are they incorporating public safety broadband in their statewide plans?*

Chris Essid
Director, Office of Emergency Communications
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Mark Grubb
Director
Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security

12:30 p.m.—2:00 p.m.
Conference Dining Court

Lunch

2:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

Facilitated Roundtable Discussions: Round 1

The roundtables are designed to promote discussion among peers and experts. Each hour long session focuses on a key area and includes discussants who will help initiate dialogue. Each session will be repeated to allow participants to attend two different breakouts.

Breakout 1 – Potomac A/B

Effective Decision Making for Public Safety Broadband

Who should be on states' leadership teams (e.g., CIOs, CTOs, SWICs, HSAs, COSs, State Police, others)?

What are the characteristics and responsibilities of an effective governance structure?

Spencer Collier
Homeland Security Advisor
Alabama Department of Homeland Security

Vicki Helfrich
Executive Officer
Mississippi Wireless Communication Commission

Moderators: Carmen Ferro/David Henry, NGA Center for Best Practices

Breakout 2 – Belmont A/B

Supporting Public Safety and Homeland Security

How should states coordinate state and local law enforcement and public safety officials?

What are the needs and concerns of local and regional units of government?

Tribal governments?

Carl Wicklund

Vice Chair

Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative

John Powell

Interoperability Chairman

National Public Safety Telecommunications Council

Moderators: Anne Johnson/Jeff McLeod, NGA Center for Best Practices

Breakout 3- Ballroom D

Legal, Business, and Procurement Issues

How are CIO's preparing for the business and procurement procedures under the new law?

Dick Clark

Chief Information Officer

Montana

Dugan Petty

Chief Information Officer

Oregon

Moderator: Doug Robinson, NASCIO

3:00 p.m.-3:15 p.m.

Atrium

Break

3:15 p.m.—4:15 p.m.

Facilitated Roundtable Discussions: Round 2

4:15 p.m. -5:15 p.m.

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Opt-In Opt-Out Decision Making

What information do governors need?

What should an effective decision making process look like?

What policy positions should governors convey to FirstNet?

What actions from FirstNet can governors expect to see?

Jeff Cohen

Chief Counsel, Law and Policy and Director of Government Relations

APCO International

Darryl Ackley

Cabinet Secretary

New Mexico Department of Information Technology

Chris McIntosh

Statewide Interoperability Coordinator

Office of Governor Bob McDonnell

Ray Lehr

Interoperability Director

Maryland

5:15 p.m.—5:30 p.m.
Loudoun Auditorium

Wrap-Up

5:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
Conference Dining Court

Dinner (Overnight Guests Only)

Friday, June 29, 2012

6:30 a.m.—8:00 a.m.
Conference Dining Court

Breakfast (Overnight Guests Only)

8:00 a.m.—9:00 a.m.
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Long-Term Evolution 101: Lessons from Other Broadband Implementations

Stacey Black

*Vice President, Market Development
AT&T*

Rishi Bhaskar

*Vice President, LTE and Private Broadband
Motorola*

Don Brittingham

*Vice President for National Security
Verizon*

Moderator: Thomas MacLellan, NGA Center for Best Practices

9:00 a.m.—9:45 a.m.
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Coordinating with Local Governments, Regions, and Tribal Nations

Laura Waxman

*Director of Public Safety
U.S. Conference of Mayors*

Mitch Herckis

*Senior Legislative Counsel
National League of Cities*

Steve Traylor

*Executive Director
National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors*

Brian Howard

*Legislative Fellow
National Congress of American Indians*

Moderator: Heather Hogsett, NGA

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First Steps and Challenges

Claire Bailey

*Director
Arkansas Department of Information Systems*

Guy Cameron
Homeland Security Advisor
Wyoming

Jackie Mines
Director, Emergency Communication Networks
Minnesota Department of Public Safety

Moderator: Thomas MacLellan, NGA Center for Best Practices

10:30 a.m.—10:45 a.m. **Break**
Atrium

10:45 a.m.—12:00 noon **State Breakouts: Peer to Peer Exchanges**
Potomac A/B, Belmont A/B, *During these breakout sessions, states will have the opportunity to meet with*
Ballroom D *their peers around the country to discuss common challenges and potential*
 solutions.

12:00 noon—1:30 p.m. **Working Lunch**
Loudoun Auditorium **Keynote: “Collaborate or Perish”**

Zachary Tumin
 Special Assistant/Science, Technology, and Public Policy Program
 Harvard University

1:30 p.m.—2:00 p.m. **The Path Ahead**
Loudoun Auditorium

Thomas MacLellan, NGA Center for Best Practices
 Heather Hogsett, NGA

2:00 p.m. **Adjourn**
Loudoun Auditorium
