



**Public Safety Communications
FirstNet in California
Notice of Public Meeting**

Date of Notice: September 14, 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FirstNet in California will hold a Town Hall meeting. The meeting is open to the public. All agenda items are appropriate for action if the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services wishes to take action. The meeting is subject to change and/or cancellation. Specific meeting agenda information will be posted and available prior to the meeting.

THE TOWN HALL MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR:

- **September 24, 2014**, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., PST, at the Solano County Event Center, 601 Texas Street, Fairfield, CA 94533

Background:

In February 2012, Congress enacted The Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (the Act) containing provisions to establish a Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN) and 20 megahertz of spectrum for nationwide use by first responders and other public safety workers. The NPSBN will be designed and operated to meet the public safety communications needs for America's first responders and other public safety workers. The Act created the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) to establish, deploy, and operate a single NPSBN.

The Act directs the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to establish the State and Local Implementation Grant Program (SLIGP) and award grant funds to each state and territory to assist with the planning and preparation for consultations with FirstNet related to the development of the NPSBN. The Grant funding will assist each state and territory in effectively consulting with regional, tribal, and local entities and adequately conveying the interest of these groups to FirstNet.

On August 27, 2012, Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. appointed Karen Wong, Assistant Director, of Public Safety Communications, as the point of contact in coordination with Director Mark Ghilarducci of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services to consult with the FirstNet Board. To ensure that the NPSBN meets the needs of California's first responders, the California First Responder Network (CalFRN) Board of Director's was established and consist of 12 members to work with state and local emergency managers/first responders and FirstNet to represent the interests of the public safety official across California.

Supplementary Information:

Entities, organizations, and individuals who wish to present comments at a particular meeting are encouraged to register at least five business days in advance of the meeting date. Organizations should designate no more than one individual to speak on behalf of the organization. Persons who register in advance should report to the registration desk at least one-half hour prior to the start of the meeting in order to confirm the time and order of their public comment.

Comments will be limited to three minutes per person or organization and should address the topics discussed during the meeting. Those providing public comment may choose to supplement their testimony with written statements that will be made part of the official public meeting record. If the office determines that there is not



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enough time to hear from all those wishing to present comments, the office will select among those wishing to testify to ensure representation of a range of viewpoints and interests.

If time allows on the meeting day, attendees can also make public comments by expressing written interest on a sign-up sheet that will be available at the meeting location. Please note that persons who register in advance will receive speaking priority and persons registering at the meeting will only be able to make public comments if time allows.

The meeting is accessible to the physically disabled. A person who needs a disability-related accommodation or modification in order to participate in the meeting may make a request to the FirstNet in California Team at (916) 657-9466 or submit a written request via email at CalFRN@caloes.ca.gov

Or by mail to:

California Office of Emergency Services
Public Safety Communications
Attention: FirstNet in California Town Hall Accommodations
601 Sequoia Pacific Boulevard
Sacramento, CA 95811

Providing your request at least five (5) business days before the meeting will help ensure availability of the requested accommodation.

Those persons who are not able to participate in the public meeting are encouraged to submit written comments electronically via email at CalFRN@caloes.ca.gov

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General Information

Advance Registry for Public Comment

Contact:

FirstNet in California Team at (916) 657-9466 or via email at CalFRN@caloes.ca.gov

Media Information

Contact:

Kelly Huston, Public Information Officer at 916-845-8400, or via email at Kelly.Huston@caloes.ca.gov