



First Responder Network Authority Weekly Update to the State and Territory Single Points of Contacts (SPOCs) - February 20, 2018

FirstNet News

- Last week, First Responder Network Authority CEO Mike Poth was the featured speaker at the Media Institute Communications Forum in Washington, DC.
- Also last Week, First Responder Network Authority Board member Kevin McGinnis spoke at the Community Paramedicine Conference in Bloomington, Minnesota.
- First Responder Network Authority staff presented at the National Emergency Number Association (NENA): 9-1-1 Goes to Washington conference last week in Washington, DC.
- Staff also participated in a "Leveraging FirstNet for Rural" webinar last week, hosted by the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA).
- First Responder Network Authority Board member Sheriff Richard Stanek and staff also participated in the National Sheriffs Association (NSA) Winter Legislative and Technology Conference last week in Washington, D.C.
- Additionally last week, the First Responder Network Authority tribal team participated in a Nevada Public Safety Communications Conference in Reno.
- This week, the First Responder Network Authority will participate in meetings of the Connecticut Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee and its Broadband Working Group in Middletown; the Michigan Statewide Interoperable Communications Training Conference in Traverse City; a FirstNet Innovation Workshop in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; a meeting of the Hamilton County Fire Chiefs Association in Cincinnati; the Journal of Emergency Medical Services' EMS Today conference in Charlotte, North Carolina; a meeting of the Southwest Border Communications Working Group in Tucson, Arizona; a Virginia FirstNet Regional Workshop in Charlottesville; a meeting with the Managers of Emergency Communications Centers Association in Middletown, Connecticut; a Northeast North Dakota Coordinated Regional Interoperability Board meeting in Devils Lake; and a meeting with Orange County emergency management officials in Goshen, New York.
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- The 2018 June Public Safety Broadband Stakeholder Meeting is just around the corner. A room block has been reserved at the Embassy Suites by Hilton San Diego Bay at the government per diem rate of \$167 per night. To make your reservation online, use this link <<http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/S/SANDNES-NST-20180605/index.jhtml>>. If you prefer to make your reservation over the phone, call 619-239-2400 and use the group code "NST." There are a limited number of rooms reserved, so it is recommended that you book your room as soon as possible.

Media Watch

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Denver Patch 2/19: Clear Creek County Transforms Public Safety

<https://patch.com/colorado/denver/clear-creek-county-transforms-public-safety>

The Clear Creek County Sheriff's Office has become the first public safety agency in the state to subscribe to FirstNet. This move lets us take advantage of the early benefits of FirstNet, and it sets us up for continued success as the solution evolves. We want to lead in technology so we can better serve the people of Clear Creek County.

MissionCritical Communications 2/16: AT&T Targets Developers with Apps for FirstNet App Catalog

<https://www.rrmediagroup.com/News/NewsDetails/NewsID/16540>

The head of AT&T's application developer program for the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) outlined details on the program and how developers can become involved during a Feb. 15 webinar with RadioResource Media Group.

MissionCritical Communications 2/13: AT&T Promises Rural Areas to Be Priority in FirstNet Buildout

<https://www.rrmediagroup.com/Features/FeaturesDetails/FID/819>

Rural deployment will not be an afterthought to urban deployment during the buildout of the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), AT&T, FirstNet and state officials said during a webinar hosted by the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA).

Web and Social Media

The First Responder Network Authority's social media presence grew at its normal rate last week. Twitter gained 73 new followers, now at 9,326. Facebook has 2,706 followers. LinkedIn now has 3,841 followers. YouTube has 758 subscribers.

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