

WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

P25 Radio System Joint Operating Committee

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

*****Meeting Minutes*****

Thursday, January 23, 2025

This meeting was scheduled to begin directly after the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee meeting but not begin earlier than 10:15 a.m.

**Washoe County Administration Complex
1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada, 89512
Building A, Second Floor, Caucus Room**

This meeting was held at the physical location listed above with a teleconference option.

Committee website: https://www.washoecounty.gov/technology/board_committees/800mhz_joc

Committee Members

Dave Cochran, City of Reno	Charles Moore, Truckee Meadows FPD
Craig Franden, City of Reno (Alternate)	Chris Ketrang, Truckee Meadows FPD (Alternate)
Derek Keller, City of Sparks	Ian Dasmann, TMWA
Connie Shepperd, City of Sparks (Alternate)	Chuck Atkinson, TMWA (Alternate)
David Todd Curtis, Nevada Air National Guard	Ed Atwell, UNR/NSHE
Matthew Lund, Nevada Air National Guard (Alternate)	Jeremy Irwin, UNR/NSHE (Alternate)
Ryan Sommers, North Lake Tahoe FPD	Vacant, US DEA
Russ Barnum, North Lake Tahoe FPD (Alternate)	Bryan Boren, US Dept. of Veterans Affairs
Don Pelt, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe	Ray Leal, US Dept. of Veterans Affairs (Alternate)
David Paulon, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe (Alternate)	Jenn Felter, Washoe County
Jarrold Nunes, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony	Darrin Rice, Washoe County (Alternate)
John Hecimovich, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (Alternate)	Tracy Moore, Washoe County School District
Ben Carpenter, Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority	Mark Mathers, Washoe County School District (Alternate)
Vacant, Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority (Alternate)	

Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM [Non-Action Item]

The meeting was called to order at 10:42 a.m.

Present

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| • City of Reno | Dave Cochran |
| • City of Sparks | Connie Shepperd |
| • Nevada Air National Guard | Matthew Lund |



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| • North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District | Ryan Sommers |
| • Reno-Sparks Indian Colony | Jarrold Nunes |
| • Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District | Charlie Moore |
| • Truckee Meadows Water Authority | Ian Dasmann |
| • UNR | Ed Atwell |
| • US Dept. of Veterans Affairs | Bryan Boren |
| • Washoe County | Jenn Felter |
| • Washoe County School District | Tracy Moore |

Absent

- Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority
- US DEA (vacant)

Deputy District Attorney Wade Carner, Washoe County District Attorney's Office, was in attendance.

2. INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROVIDING PUBLIC COMMENT VIA TEAMS/TELEPHONE [Non-Action Item]. *Wade Carner, Deputy District Attorney*

Washoe County Deputy District Attorney Wade Carner provided the instructions for providing public comment: This meeting is being held at and physical location with a teleconference option. Members of the public may submit public comment by either attending the meeting in person, attending the meeting via teleconference or attending by telephone only utilizing Meeting ID: 232 988 434 989, Passcode: K4bF3Si7 or by telephone by dialing 775-325-0620 and entering Conference ID: 726 222 238#. To provide public comment via Teams, log into the Teams Meeting at the link on the first page of the notice of meeting and utilize the "Raise Hand" feature during any public comment period. To provide public comment via telephone only, press *5. Press *6 to mute/unmute.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT [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. However, action may not be taken on any matter raised during this public comment period until the matter is specifically listed on an agenda as an action item. 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 emails had been submitted prior to the meeting.

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4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS [For Possible Action] Discussion and possible action to elect Committee officers, including a Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary.

a. Chair

Ryan Sommers, North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District, nominated and moved to appoint Tracy Moore, Washoe County School District, as Chair; Member Tracy Moore accepted the nomination. Matthew Lund, Nevada Air National Guard, seconded the motion. There were no further nominations or Committee discussions. There was no response to the call for public comment. Upon a call for the vote, the motion carried unanimously.

b. Vice-Chair

Charlie Moore, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, nominated and moved to appoint Ryan Sommers, North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District, as Vice-Chair; Member Sommers accepted the nomination. Jenn Felter, Washoe County, provided the second. There were no further nominations or Committee discussions. There was no response to the call for public comment. Upon a call for the vote, the motion carried unanimously.

c. Secretary

Jenn Felter, Washoe County, nominated and moved to appoint Bryan Boren, Department of Veterans Affairs as Secretary; Member Boren accepted the nomination. Connie Shepperd, City of Sparks, seconded the motion. There were no further nominations or Committee discussions. There was no response to the call for public comment. Upon a call for the vote, the motion carried unanimously.

5. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 17, 2025, MINUTES [For Possible Action] – Committee members may identify any additions or corrections to the draft minutes as transcribed.

This item was tabled; no action was taken and will be reagendized for the April meeting.

6. NEVADA SHARED RADIO SYSTEM PROJECT UPDATE [Non-Action Item] – A presentation and discussion on the progress of the Nevada Share Radio System (NSRS) project status, cutover outlook, and possible prioritization for NSRS Regions and site builds. *Adrian Arnold NSRS System Administrator*

Adrian Arnold, NSRS System Administrator, reviewed the [presentation](#) for this item focused on construction activities underway, training, lease status updates for Red Peak, BLM reporting for Smokey Quartz and Seven Lakes; the later two baseline scheduling will likely be impacted. With the Cold Springs site activation has allowed for testing on other non-L3Harris radios providing value for functionality for the region. Firewall updates were completed statewide to address vulnerabilities identified when assessed. The system is still in operational pause with regards to L3Harris installation and acceptance. Meetings are underway to bring forward impacts and

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negotiations to allow for as much available construction to be completed in the 2025 and 2026 building windows. There are no real impacts to Washoe County users at this time. Mobile installations are also underway January through April and going smoothly. There are discussions to either expand radio usage for the Department of Veterans Affairs through either sponsorship or internal means. There was discussion of the expected project completion to be approximately two years behind schedule.

It was clarified there is currently a lease for space on an existing tower for Red Peak that will be replaced with the new antenna location approximately 100 feet away. Construction is expected to begin in the summer.

A photograph showing two men in a technical room. One man is standing and looking at a device, while the other is kneeling and working on a rack of electronic equipment. The rack is filled with various modules and cables.

NEVADA SHARED RADIO SYSTEM UPDATE

- Cold Springs P25 site has been turned on for testing purposes.
 - WCRCS is working on characterizing P25, running through test scenarios and validating that P25 "One Touch programming works".
 - We are also testing out various P25 features and working to get other radios manufacturer types onto the new system.
- Red Peak Lease is signed, and WCRCS is working with L3Harris to get Construction activities underway.
- BLM Baseline reports for Smokey Quartz and Seven Lakes have been returned to the team for additional studies.
- Train the Trainer for Radio Subscriber Training Jan 24th, 2025

Nevada Shared Radio System Project Update: REGION 2



• **Marble Bluff**

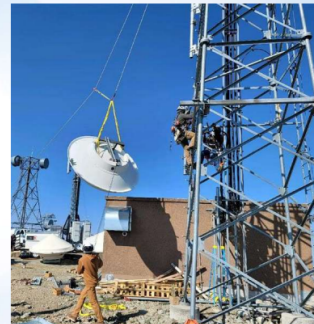
- Plenium Builders is scheduled to complete the remaining two weeks of construction.
- Plenium is coordinating with NVE to get on the construction schedule to power up new transformer on site.
- L3Harris P25 antenna installation is planned for spring 2025.

• **RX3**

- Working with BLM on additional requested Reports

• **System**

- All Firewall have been upgraded, but identified as "End of Life", we are working with all vendors to find system compatible replacement.



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7. **THE P25 RADIO SYSTEM INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ADDENDUM TO ADDRESS CONSTRUCTION COST INCREASES** [Non-Action Item] – An update, and discussion, regarding P25 Radio System Partner Agencies ratification of the first Addendum to the June 2020 P25 Radio System Interlocal Agreement; discussion may include, but not be limited to, construction costs for the P25 radio sites; the Addendum terms and conditions; cost impacts on P25 Radio System Partner Agencies; and timelines for Addendum ratification. *Quinn Korbulic, Washoe County Technology Services*

Quinn Korbulic, Washoe County Technology Services, reviewed the [presentation](#) for this item expressing appreciation for agency partners helping with the review, execution and returning the signature pages.

P25 Addendum Update



- **Agreement:**
 - P25 JOC recommended the first Addendum to the P25 Agreement be signed by Partner Agencies' respective governing boards or executives on October 17.
- **Signatures:**
 - Many Partner Agencies have signed the Addendum to date. Deadline to sign the addendum is March 1, 2025.
 - Please send copies of your signature pages to Quinn Korbulic, cc Sara Delozier.
- **Payment Options**
 - After signing the Addendum Partner Agencies must inform Washoe County of their payment option choice.
 - Payment Options are specified in section 4 of the Addendum.
 - Any agencies selecting the pre-payment option must inform Washoe County of their choice by May 1, 2025.

Ed Atwell, UNR, inquired as to whether the budget concerns had been finalized and the feedback from L3Harris concerning removing the Ashfield site. In response it was shared that with the Addendum, the Ashfield, Smokey Quartz and Seven Lakes sites were removed from the L3Harris contract moving the responsibility to the County to work through a Construction Management At-Risk (CMAR) to complete. That process is underway for Smokey Quartz and Seven Lakes awaiting BLM permitting. There are on-going conversations with L3Harris concerning timing and potential reconfiguration of Region Two. Equipment for the sites has been purchased from L3Harris. For the Ashfield site, the larger question is impact to coverage for the statewide system and consideration of risk levels and may or may not be built.

Adrian Arnold, NSRS Administrator, added Ashfield would not be counted within the Region Two acceptance schedule regardless of how Region Two is defined. It may be included in statewide acceptance if funding and construction were to fall in line with that timing; if it's removed there's no impact to L3Harris. A concern would be if completion falls outside system acceptance then it

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would fall to the member agencies to implement and integrate. Jenn Felter, Washoe County, expressed disappointment with L3Harris's response.

Connie Shepperd, City of Sparks, shared the Addendum was scheduled to be heard by the City Council January 27, 2025.

8. **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 April 17, 2025.

- Grant Program
- NSRS Contract Discount Timing Details and Contract Requirements (all in place until one year after final system acceptance)

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT** [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. However, action may not be taken on any matter raised during this public comment period until the matter is specifically listed on an agenda as an action item. Comments are to be made to the P25 Radio System Joint Operating Committee as a whole.

Chair Moore presented Charlie Moore, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District with a Certificate of Appreciation for his time and dedication to the Committees. He expressed the value in the fun and courageous discussions and the importance of the fire perspective. There was no further response to the call for public comment.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Approved as written in Session April 17, 2025.