



AGENDA

LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY ("AUTHORITY")

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, October 6, 2022 • 9:00 a.m.

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MEMBERS		ALTERNATES	
1.	Fesia Davenport , CEO County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office	1.	John Geiger County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office
2.	Anthony Marrone (Vice-Chair) , Acting Fire Chief County of Los Angeles Fire Department	2.	Eleni Pappas , Deputy Fire Chief County of Los Angeles Fire Department
3.	Alex Villanueva (Chair) , Sheriff County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department	3.	Brian Yanagi , Acting Chief County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department
4.	Richard Tadeo , Director, EMS Agency County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services	4.	Jacqueline Rifenburg , Assistant Director, EMS Agency County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services
5.	Phil Ambrose , Battalion Chief Los Angeles Area Fire Chiefs Association	5.	Vacant Seat Los Angeles Area Fire Chiefs Association
6.	Brian Solinsky , Police Chief Los Angeles County Police Chief's Association	6.	Tom Jacobs , Lieutenant Los Angeles County Police Chief's Association
7.	Mark R. Alexander , City Manager California Contract Cities Association	7.	Marcel Rodarte , Executive Director California Contract Cities Association
8.	David Povero , Police Chief At-Large Seat #8 (City of Covina Police Department)	8.	Ric Walczak , Captain At-Large Seat #8 (City of Covina Police Department)
9.	Mark Fronterotta , Police Chief At-Large Seat #9 (City of Inglewood Police Department)	9.	Cardell Hurt , Captain At-Large Seat #9 (City of Inglewood Police Department)
10.	Brian Leyn , Captain At-Large Seat #10 (City of Signal Hill Police Department)	10.	Vacant Seat At-Large Seat #10 (City of Signal Hill Police Department)

OFFICERS	
Scott Edson , LA-RICS Executive Director	
Arlene Barrera , County of Los Angeles, Auditor-Controller	
Keith Knox , County of Los Angeles, Treasurer and Tax Collector	
Susy Orellana-Curtiss , LA-RICS Administrative Deputy	
Beatriz Cojulun , LA-RICS Board Secretary	



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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM – ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (A – B)

A. September 1, 2022 – Regular Meeting Minutes

Agenda Item A

B. September 22, 2022 – Special Meeting Minutes

Agenda Item B

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

V. CONSENT CALENDAR (C)

C. FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS UNDER AB 361 AND RELATED ACTIONS

It is recommended that your Board:

1. Find, in accordance with AB 361 Section 3(e)(3), California Government Code Section 54953(e)(3), that the Board has reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and that the State of Emergency remains active; and
2. Find, in accordance with AB 361 Section 3(e)(3), California Government Code Section 54953(e)(3), that local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing.

Agenda Item C

VI. REPORTS (D – G)

D. Director's Report – Scott Edson

Agenda Item D

E. Project Manager's Report – Steve Page

Agenda Item E



F. Joint Operations and Technical Committee Chair's Report – Operations Lead
Lieutenant Robert Weber

G. Finance Committee Chair's Report – No Report

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (H – I)

H. Spectrum and Licensing Issues Impacting Land Mobile Radio Deployment –
Ted Pao

Agenda Item H

I. Outreach Update – Lieutenant Robert Weber

Agenda Item I

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (J)

J. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

In accordance with the Joint Power Authority (JPA) Agreement, the Board should consider whether to elect a new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the LA-RICS JPA Board of Directors. The Board may continue to elect the current Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for another one-year term, or consider other Board Members.

Agenda Item J

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

X. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION BY THE BOARD

XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL –Anticipated Litigation (subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9) (2 cases).

2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION [Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)] Title: Executive Director

XII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

Regular Board Meeting on Thursday, November 3, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., via Microsoft Teams/ Teleconference Meeting.



BOARD MEETING INFORMATION

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

**LOS ANGELES REGIONAL
INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY**

Thursday, September 1, 2022 • 9:00 a.m.
Conducted via Microsoft Teams Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Richard Tadeo , Director, EMS Agency, County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services
Phil Ambrose , Battalion Chief, Los Angeles Area Fire Chiefs Association
Mark R. Alexander , City Manager, California Contract Cities Association
Mark Fronterotta , Police Chief, City of Inglewood Police Department
Brian Leyn , Captain, City of Signal Hill Police Department

ALTERNATES FOR BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

John Geiger , County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office
Eleni Pappas , Alternate Vice-Chair, Deputy Fire Chief, County of Los Angeles Fire Department
Brian Yanagi , Alternate Chair, Acting Chief, County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department

OFFICERS PRESENT

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Susy Orellana-Curtiss , LA-RICS Administrative Deputy
Beatriz Cojulun , LA-RICS Board Secretary

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT / VACANT

Brian Solinsky , Chief, Los Angeles County Police Chief's Association
David Povero , Police Chief, City of Covina Police Department



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I. CALL TO ORDER

Alternate Board Chair Brian Yanagi called the Regular Meeting of the Board to order at 9:01 a.m.

II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM – ROLL CALL

Board Secretary Beatriz Cojulun took the roll and acknowledged a quorum was present.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (A – B)

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi asked the Board if there were any corrections, clarifications, or comments to the attached Regular and Special meeting minutes. There were no corrections, clarifications, or comments, therefore, he asked for a motion to approve.

Board Member Richard Tadeo motioned first, seconded by Board Member Brian Leyn.

A. August 4, 2022 – Regular Minutes

Ayes 8: Geiger, Pappas, Yanagi, Tadeo, Ambrose, Alexander, Fronterotta, and Leyn.

B. August 16, 2022 – Special Minutes

Alternate Board Member John Geiger, due to his absence, abstained his vote on Agenda Item B – August 16, 2022 Special Board Meeting Minutes.

Ayes 7: Pappas, Yanagi, Tadeo, Ambrose, Alexander, Fronterotta, and Leyn.

Abstained 1: Geiger

MOTION APPROVED.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NONE

There was no public comment.



V. CONSENT CALENDAR (C)

C. FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS UNDER AB 361 AND RELATED ACTIONS

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi asked for a motion to approve Consent Calendar Agenda Item C.

Board Member Mark Alexander motioned first, seconded by Board Member Phil Ambrose.

Ayes 8: Geiger, Pappas, Yanagi, Tadeo, Ambrose, Alexander, Fronterotta, and Leyn.

MOTION APPROVED.

VI. REPORTS (D - G)

D. Director's Report – Scott Edson

Executive Director Scott Edson pointed out the team, led by Lieutenant Robert Weber, did a great job in updating the LA-RICS website and encouraged the Board to take a look at it and notify the Authority if any updates were required. Executive Director Edson stated that an LA-RICS brochure was available, which was put together by the Outreach Team, led by Jacobs. Executive Director Edson said the brochure was ready for handout and would be sent to Board Member offices to help get the right message out about who LA-RICS is and what LA-RICS has to offer public safety.

Executive Director Edson said that as many know, State Assemblyman Tom Lackey was the sponsor of the Authority's \$18.6 million funding gap and has become a champion for the LA-RICS program and interoperability across the state. Executive Director Edson shared that State Assemblyman Lackey requested a media event to showcase the importance of the LA-RICS system and the fact the State assisted us in this funding. Executive Director Edson confirmed the event was currently planned for Friday, September 9, 2022, at the County of Los Angeles (County) Fire Command and Control Facility, at 4:00 p.m. Executive Director Edson stated that any Board Member were welcome to attend. Executive Director Edson shared that he had already asked Chief Yanagi, Chief Pappas, Chief Fronterotta, and Director Tadeo to attend since they actively participated in the advocacy to Assemblyman Lackey and others from the State.

Executive Director Edson reported that all building permits are in with the final portion of the MCI building permit (the fire suppression system permit) issued in the prior month, August 2022. Executive Director Edson reported that fifty-seven (57)



of fifty-eight (58) sites were substantially complete through Phase 4a. Executive Director Edson went on to report the Authority would continue to build MCI, site fifty-eight (58), alongside Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI), who had then moved equipment to the site and mobilized some workers.

Executive Director Edson said that despite the good progress made by the Authority's construction contractor retrofitting the MCI site, the project did experience some delay. Executive Director Edson mentioned that MSI had recently requested a no cost extension that would have final system acceptance occur the first week of November 2023. Executive Director Edson went on to say that MSI was currently reviewing a proposed change to schedule logic at MCI that could result in approximately 23 days of time savings bringing final system acceptance back into October 2023. Executive Director Edson expressed that MSI had been making good progress on its optimization and testing work, but on August 25, 2022, MSI reported an unexpected problem with a few microwave links that connect by line of site. Executive Director Edson mentioned the teams were working diligently to find solutions that would stabilize the links and would ultimately deliver the reliability to the public safety network. Executive Director Edson stated the time impacts associated with trouble shooting and correcting this issue were not fully known at that time, but he would keep the Board informed as progress is made toward a solution.

Executive Director Edson further reported that in regards to closing out construction, MSI continues to complete punch list corrections and resolve assorted issues resulting from installations deviating from approved plans. Executive Director Edson went on to say the work on permanent power at Green Mountain (GRM) continues to proceed with the City of Los Angeles (City) Department of Water and Power (LADWP) and California State Parks, a third party agreement which is proving to be problematic when LADWP continues to add requirements which impact items in the review queue with State Parks. Executive Director Edson shared that weekly meetings with LADWP continue along with State Parks to ensure we achieve timely permanent power at this site.

Executive Director Edson transitioned to the restructured Land Mobile Radio (LMR) contract which allows acceptance of subsystems and once they are complete and allow users access to use and test those systems, given that, the Authority now needs to purchase a warranty for the gap time period from Subsystem Acceptance through Final Acceptance. Executive Director Edson went on to say that when the Authority signs off on Final Acceptance, the original one-year warranty commences and the project will move to true operations and maintenance of the System. Executive Director Edson reported that quotes submitted thus far from MSI for the bridge warranty have been unacceptable and unsupported. Executive Director Edson mentioned that after several meetings, MSI has agreed to regroup with its engineering team to double check system site count, equipment count, etc. to ensure their numbers were accurate reflecting the LMR system. Executive



Director Edson said the Authority had another meeting scheduled to address this and he hoped MSI will return with better numbers and scope details.

Executive Director Edson stated that more information on the LMR System would be provided by Program Manager Steve Page, who would immediately follow the Executive Summary under Agenda Item E.

Executive Director Edson thanked the Board for holding the Special Meeting last month and confirmed working with the Administrative Team and County Counsel to ensure the Authority looked at other legal options to avoid calling for a Special Meeting unless absolutely required.

Executive Director Edson shared that Agenda Item J included a discussion on the Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson positions. Executive Director Edson stated this is the opportunity for the Board to discuss if there are any changes to be made, leave as is, postpone the discussion, etc.

Executive Director Edson said that Ted Pao would speak to spectrum issues under Agenda Item H and Lt. Weber would speak to outreach under Agenda Item I.

Executive Director Edson further shared that Susy Orellana-Curtiss would present the Statement of Receipts & Disbursement for AT&T Business Agreement Fund for Public Safety Broadband Network under Agenda Item K.

Executive Director Edson concluded by saying that Agenda Item L was an amendment to reconcile the LMR Agreement to reflect payment milestones for work that will and will not be performed, which the Authority recommends the Board approve.

This concluded the report on Agenda Item D by Executive Director Edson. There was no further discussion.

E. Project Manager's Report – Steve Page

Acting Project Manager Steve Page greeted the Board and presented Agenda Item E, which consisted of the following:

August Successes

Acting Project Manager Page reported that, in August, the Phase 2 Team's focus has been on construction at the MCI site above Malibu, with large portion of the work complete, and MSI performing some of their activities inside the shelter as the final construction items are worked on.



Acting Project Manager Page shared that review of MSI's coverage test results continued, along with significant progress on the Closeout Books for both Phase 2 and Phase 4, which has continued to be a challenge.

Acting Project Manager Page expressed the move towards permanent power at the GRM site continued to be a challenge, with the Authority working with LADWP and State Parks for an easement. Acting Project Manager Page said that action is dependent on State Parks as of the previous week, with the project description having been forwarded up the chain of command.

Acting Project Manager Page shared that moving towards the activation and subsequent release of Part 1 of the Narrowband Mobile Data Network (NMDN) system later in September has continued to be a challenge with the Closeout Books for all of these sites connected to NMDN.

Key Program Metrics

Acting Project Manager Page reported that as with the previous month, the number of sites has not changed, further projecting that until MCI is complete, these numbers will not change substantially.

Phase 2 Substantially Complete

Acting Project Manager Page shared a PowerPoint slide reflecting a map representing substantially completed sites in yellow, with the exception of MCI site which would remain red until its completion.

Phase 4 Installed

Acting Project Manager Page continued by saying that as with the Phase 2 and using the same PowerPoint slide, the sole red pin pending Phase 4 installation is MCI which will see significant progress over the course of the following month.

Sites Optimized

Acting Project Manager Page said the Authority currently has fifty-two (52) sites optimized. Acting Project Manager Page went on to say that as mentioned a few months ago, once the Authority received primary power to these sites, MSI would be able to allocate appropriate resources to optimize sites and get them prepared for coverage testing.



Sites On-Air

Acting Project Manager Page reported the Authority currently has forty-eight (48) sites on the air, with the West Cell sites, San Pedro Hill (which was currently under optimization), and Burnt Peak being those remaining to come online.

Roaming

As mentioned a few months ago, Acting Project Manager Page said the Authority started discussing some of the technical portions of moving from a Phase 2 focused to Phase 4 focused program, and for the current month, the Authority wanted to take a quick look at roaming.

Acting Project Manager Page shared that in a system as large as LA-RICS, coverage is enhanced by having multiple sites available, and just as a cell phone roams from tower to tower, the radios that are using the LA-RICS network can roam. Acting Project Manager Page went on to explain how that works.

Acting Project Manager Page said that as mentioned in the previous month, in the encryption portion of his PM Report, the radio system transmits data over the air in ones and zeros. Acting Project Manager Page went on to say that embedded in this data stream is a lot of information that does not have to do with an actual conversation but is more 'overhead' and system-related data to help a radio decide on which site to use.

Acting Project Manager Page provided further detail and said the most important information the radio receives from the system is the 'Adjacent Control Channel' list over the air. Acting Project Manager Page informed the Board this list gives the radio information on the adjacent sites and cells the radio is currently on, the radio then looks at those other control channels briefly, gets information on signal quality, then adds it to an internal list and compares it to other adjacent sites, and then based on the settings in the radio, makes the decision to switch sites.

Acting Project Manager Page further reported that while the exact method of calculation is considered intellectual property by MSI, the Authority refers to the calculation of received signal strength, bit error rate, overall signal quality, combined with internal radio settings on site preferences and roaming behavior to be the 'secret sauce'.

Acting Project Manager Page indicated that currently, at the network level, the Authority has the ability to restrict certain TalkGroups, or even certain radios, to specific sites. Acting Project Manager Page further explained the Authority even has restricted a TalkGgroup to sites that are only 700 MHz, or only UHF, as the operations require, and this is all part of the review the Technical and Operations Committees perform when bringing new users and requirements to the system, in



order to balance loading and ensure the Authority meets the requirements of the end users.

September Areas of Focus

Acting Project Manager Page reported that for September, the Team would be focusing on the construction at MCI with staff being on site almost daily to keep construction on track. Acting Project Manager Page said the Authority was also getting ready for the go-live of the NMDN 1 portion of the system later that month.

This concluded the presentation and report on Agenda Item E by Acting Project Manager Page. There was no further discussion.

F. Joint Operations and Technical Chair's Report – None

G. Finance Committee Chair's Report – None

VIII. DISCUSSION ITEM (H – K)

H. Spectrum and Licensing Issues Impacting Land Mobile Radio Deployment – Ted Pao

Technical Lead Ted Pao provided an update on the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) licenses, stating the Authority is still waiting for the two (2) applications for Tejon Peak (TPK) to be granted by the FCC, one is for the NMDN and the other is for the Analog Conventional Radio System (ACVRS).

With respect to interference issues, Technical Lead Pao reported the Authority collected interference data at Signal Hill (SGH), Mount Disappointment (MDI), and the Criminal Courts Building (CCT). Technical Lead Pao went on to say the vendor was conducting post processing work on the data collected. Technical Lead Pao said the Authority should be getting the reports this month and would report the findings to the Board next month if report findings are received.

Technical Lead Pao asked if the Board had any questions. Board Alternate Geiger asked Mr. Pao to confirm his mention of "Vendor" conducting the interference study was referring to Motorola directly. Technical Lead Pao clarified that the "vendor," the Authority contracted to perform the work was MSI, however the work was actually being performed by MSI's contractor/Subject Matter Expert (SME).

This concluded the update on Agenda Item H. There was no further discussion.



I. Outreach Update – Lieutenant Robert Weber

Operations Lead Lieutenant Robert Weber greeted Board members and referenced the detailed Outreach Summary document for the month of August included in the Agenda Packet for review and information.

Operations Lead Lt. Weber shared that Authority staff and personnel from the County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Communications and Fleet Management Bureau (CFMB) conducted LA-RICS system testing at East Los Angeles Sheriff's Stations reporting districts. Operations Lead Lt. Weber said the testing was grid based and evaluated several different radios currently used by LASD. Operations Lead Lt. Weber stated the system metrics from the testing will be shared with the LASD's CFMB staff. Operations Lead Lt. Weber said that although LA-RICS staff is still evaluating the metrics from the test, the system performed very well, and the information obtained will be used as LASD moves forward with full station testing in the near future.

Operations Lead Lt. Weber reported that Authority staff attended the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials International's (APCO) Annual Conference and Expo in Anaheim, California, which was educational and provided networking opportunities. Operations Lead Lt. Weber stated that LA-RICS staff set-up an equipment display with a LASD Mobile Communications Unit, a LA-RICS Cell on Light Duty Truck, and a historical 1976 LASD patrol car. Operations Lead Lt. Weber believes the display generated many positive comments and an opportunity to hand out newly redesigned LA-RICS flyers.

Operations Lead Lt. Weber reported that Authority staff conducted outreach to the City of Lynwood and the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) Security Department. Operations Lead Lt. Weber went on to say that both agencies are evaluating their communication needs and the possibility of using LA-RICS. Operations Lead Lt. Weber further stated that Authority staff would work closely with these agencies to ensure their needs are met.

Operations Lead Lt. Weber concluded by saying that Authority staff members have continued close contact with the State and Federal partners to ensure interoperability during major events and to further collaborate on regional public safety communication.

This concluded the update on Agenda Item I. Operations Lead Weber asked if there were any questions. There was no further discussion.

Board Member Alexander asked for the status on outreach to the Contract Cities Association for a presentation to the City Manager's Committee. Operations Lead Lt. Weber stated he has been in communication with the Captain of the LASD Law Enforcement Bureau and the earliest availability to provide a presentation would be



at the March 2023 conference, however, if an earlier opportunity arises, they would move forward with the presentation. Board Member Alexander was hoping to have an outreach event sooner than the annual conference in May of 2023, and proposed that a presentation be provided at one of the City Manager's Committee Meeting, monthly luncheons. Board Member Alexander believes this would be a great opportunity since their Committee is always looking for topics of discussion and would be a great way to reach out to the many new City Managers and familiarize them with LA-RICS. Operations Lead Lt. Weber agreed to look into it and coordinate a presentation.

J. Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson – Scott Edson

Executive Director Edson informed the Board this discussion item was to provide opportunity to discuss on the current positions for Chair and Vice-Chairperson, to discuss if the Board would like to make changes, solicit any volunteers, if the current Chair and/or Vice-Chairperson would like to remain in the position, or if this Agenda Item should to be tabled for the next meeting, it is up to the Board to discuss.

Board Member Alexander asked Executive Director Edson what would be the normal timeline for this item, and asked if this would be under the Bi-laws as an annual appointment and when would it normally take place. Counsel to the Authority, Truc L. Moore, informed the Board that generally this item conducted annually but there have been some years the Authority has allowed the Chair and Vice-Chairperson to sit from fiscal year to fiscal year. Counsel Moore further stated that since it is a bit past the current Fiscal Year period the Board should consider the Chair and Vice-Chairperson position and bring that action item at the next Board meeting on October 6, 2022.

Board Member Alexander expressed that he was fine with the current leadership if they are interested in keeping their positions, and expressed that he would like the elections to be on a regular schedule, whether it be fiscal year or calendar year. Counsel Moore stated that it would be tracked.

Alternate Chair Yanagi asked Board Members if anyone wanted to be considered for the positions of Chair or Vice-Chairperson, or if the Board would like to see a change. Board Member Alexander stated the silence was indicative of the Board being happy with the way things are. Alternate Chair Yanagi asked Counsel Moore if having the action Item on the Agenda would be the next point of order.

Counsel Moore asked if both LASD and the County Fire Department (LACoFD) would like to remain in their current positions as Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively, to which Alternate Chair Yanagi confirmed LASD was agreeable to remain as Chair. Alternate Vice-Chair Pappas confirmed that Acting Fire Chief Anthony Marrone would like to remain as Vice-Chair. Counsel Moore went on to say the item would be calendared for the next Board meeting.



Executive Director Edson thanked LACoFD for their participation in this Board meeting despite the extensive fires throughout Southern California.

This concluded Agenda Item J. There was no further discussion.

K. Statement of Receipts & Disbursement for AT&T Business Agreement Fund for Public Safety Broadband Network - Susy Orellana-Curtiss

Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss presented Agenda Item K, which reflected the statement of receipt and disbursement for the Fiscal Year-End of June 30, 2022. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss reminded the Board that these funds are from the Business Agreement with AT&T which have been utilized over the past several fiscal years to pay for all JPA Member funded line items within the LA-RICS Operating Budget. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss noted the ending balance/cash funds through the period of June 30, 2022, is \$2.3 million dollars and the Adopted Budget which the Board considered for the FY which commenced on July 1, 2022, identified Member Funded JPA line items which totaled \$2.2 million dollars. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss went on to say the Board has sufficient funding to carry the Board over to the open and active FY as reflected in the statement.

This concluded the update on Agenda Item K. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss asked if there were any questions. There was no further discussion.

Board Member Alexander moved to Receive and File the statements.

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (L)

L. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 104 TO AGREEMENT NO. LA-RICS 007 LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM LAND MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM

Contracts Manager Jeanette Arismendez presented Agenda Item L, in which the Authority requested approval of Amendment No. 104 to the LMR Agreement for the buildout of an LMR System with MSI, which would result in a reduction to the Maximum Contract Sum in the amount of \$366,556.

Contracts Manager Arismendez provided the Board with some background information explaining the amendment was to reduce cost for the removal of certain design and engineering work that was no longer needed, as well as the removal of certain equipment and provision work that was either replaced or eliminated as the sites were trued up for the LMR System. Contracts Manager Arismendez informed the Board the reconciliation also reflected a reduction in certain Change Orders that



were no longer needed, as well as any cost savings that were passed on to the Authority by MSI.

Contracts Manager Arismendez also requested, on behalf of the Authority, for the Board to authorize the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 104, in substantially similar form to the enclosed Board Letter package.

This concluded the Administrative Matter on Agenda Item L. Contracts Manager Arismendez asked if there were any questions. There was no further discussion.

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi confirmed both first and second motion and went on to asked for a motion to approve.

Board Member Alexander motioned first, seconded by Board Member Leyn.

Ayes 8: Geiger, Pappas, Yanagi, Tadeo, Ambrose, Alexander, Fronterotta, and Leyn.

MOTION APPROVED.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS – NONE

X. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION BY THE BOARD – NONE

Board Member Alexander asked Executive Director Edson to provide an update on the item that was on the Special Agenda regarding policies in respect to approvals under a de Minimis amount in connection with an item with a minimal contract amendment amount. Board Member Alexander wanted to see if Executive Director Edson had the Authority to move forward with the item rather than presenting the item to the Board. Executive Director Edson responded by stating the contracts with Metrocell and MSI allow him to approve a certain amount, however use of the Oversight Committee was limited to MSI contract only, and he would look into expanding his Authority to other vendors if the need supported it.

XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The Board entered into Closed Session at 9:31 a.m.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL –Anticipated Litigation (subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9) (2 cases).
2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION [Government Code Section 54957(b)(a)] Title: Executive Director



The Board returned from Closed Session at 9:49 a.m. Counsel Moore stated the Board was back in open session and the Brown Act did not require a report.

XII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi called for a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Board Member Tadeo motioned first.

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 9:51 a.m., and stated the next Special Board Meeting will be held on September 22, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., via Microsoft Teams / Teleconference Meeting.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

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There was no public comment.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR (A)

A. FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS UNDER AB 361 AND RELATED ACTIONS

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi asked if there were no questions, since there were none, he went on to ask for a motion to approve Consent Calendar Agenda Item A.

Board Member Richard Tadeo motioned first, seconded by Board Member Mark Fronterotta.

Ayes 8: Geiger, Pappas, Yanagi, Tadeo, Ambrose, Jacobs, Walczak, and Fronterotta.

MOTION APPROVED.

VI. REPORTS – NONE

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (B)

B. DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT EQUIPMENT ON A GRATIS BASIS

Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss presented Agenda Item B, and walked them through the three (3) recommended actions:



Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss presented the first of three action items and said to delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute a receipt, which is in substantially similar form to the document within the Enclosure, which will allow the Executive Director to accept certain donated equipment, as well as donated installation and maintenance services at select LMR sites on a gratis basis.

Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss went on to presented the second action item, to accept additional equipment, as well as installation and corresponding maintenance services and execute additional receipts substantially similar to the one in the Enclosure, between the Authority and the Regents, if any additional equipment is provided by the Regents on a gratis basis.

Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss presented the third and final recommendation, to delegate authority to the Executive Director to amend any agreements, including but not limited to, Site Access Agreements (SAAs), permits to enter, leases permits, equipment license agreements, or any other ancillary documentation necessary to accept, install, operate, and/or maintain equipment donated by the Regents, on a gratis basis, in connection with the Alert Wildfire camera system.

Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss highlighted to the Board there is no procurement to be considered, as it is a donation from the Regents of the University of California, and a receipt in the Board's packet reflects acceptance of that donated equipment. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said that once the Board approved the item, the equipment would then become property/equipment of LA-RICS and given such, that equipment would be installed in accordance with the Authority's executed SAA's at certain LMR sites. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss stated that County Counsel reviewed the actions presented to the Board and reported there were two (2) Subject Matter Experts (SMEs), Technical Committee Vice-Chair Scott England and Technical Lead Ted Pao, that provided the Board with additional information including technical and operational details.

Technical Committee Vice-Chair Scott England, a Consulting Telecommunication Systems Engineer with the County of Los Angeles (County) Fire Department (LACoFD) and the Authority, stated that Alert Wildfires is a consortium of universities, led by the University of California, San Diego; University of Nevada; and University of Oregon. Technical Committee Vice-Chair England reported that Alert Wildfire provides access to hundreds of state-of-the-art cameras on communications towers across the Southwestern side of the United States to firefighters and first responders. Technical Committee Vice-Chair England stated that California Fire, California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), United States Forest Services (USFS), LACoFD, and many other fire agencies use Alert Wildfire to spot, size-up, and to provide situational awareness for these wildland fires. Technical Committee Vice-Chair England stated that since LACoFD uses the Wildfire system, LACoFD has identified many areas in the County that do



not have coverage where LA-RICS sites can provide such coverage. Technical Vice-Chair England shared that LACoFD is in full support of the Alert Wildfire System and using LA-RICS sites to fill the blind spots. Technical Committee Vice-Chair England said that Technical Lead Pao would provide an overview of the Alert Wildfire Backhaul System and how they work.

Technical Lead Ted Pao informed the Board that Alert Wildfire would be using commercial broadband, as provided by AT&T or Verizon, to backhaul its video. Technical Lead Pao went on to say this would not cause any disruption to LA-RICS or County systems. Technical Lead Ted Pao said the Authority would consider carrying the video on the Authority's microwave system at a later time, and when that time comes the Authority would seek approval from the Board.

Technical Lead Pao shared that from a system operator perspective, having the cameras will not only help with the operation of the LMR sites, in particular at these very remote ridge top sites where often time there is a need to see the immediate site condition, such as wind, rain, snow, and ice. Technical Lead Pao went on to provide examples, such as when there are windy conditions, there is no need to send a tower crew up to the site for any scheduled or unscheduled work, because it would not be safe for them to climb the tower. Technical Lead Pao further stated that the Internal Services Department (ISD) also uses cameras at many sites for its security and site situational awareness. Technical Lead Pao said that during the Lake and Bobcat fires, ISD also used cameras for fire monitoring. Technical Lead Pao expressed that cameras are a valuable resource and useful for a site manager and for its operator. Technical Lead concluded his report.

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi asked if any Board Member had any questions, technical or otherwise.

Alternate Board Member John Geiger thanked Technical Lead Pao and Technical Committee Vice-Chair England for their comprehensive reports. Alternate Board Member Geiger referenced the Alert Wildfire Agenda item at the Joint Operations and Technical Committee meeting that took place on Tuesday, September 20, 2022, in which he had questions but the reports from this meeting addressed his concerns thoroughly and he continued to feel this is a noteworthy project and engagement and moved to adopt the item as agendaized.

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi asked if Alert Wildfire provided any challenges as far as indemnification to the LA-RICS systems, as well if LA-RICS assumed any shared liability as part of the endeavor. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss responded by saying that LA-RICS is free and clear in any liability, and as for the Regents, as contributor or donor of the equipment, is also providing LA-RICS these services which they would carry out, including its maintenance once installed. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss went on to add the language that was included in the



receipts was intended to clarify that, for both parties, which would be signed by LA-RICS and the Regents of California.

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi asked if there were no questions, since there were none, he went on to ask for a motion to approve Agenda Item B.

Alternate Board Member Geiger motioned first, seconded by Board Member Fronterotta.

Ayes 8: Geiger, Pappas, Yanagi, Tadeo, Ambrose, Jacobs, Walczak, and Fronterotta.

MOTION APPROVED.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS – NONE

X. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION BY THE BOARD – NONE

XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT – NONE

XII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi called for a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Board Member Tadeo motioned first.

Alternate Board Chair Yanagi adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 9:24 a.m., and stated the next Regular Board Meeting will be held on October 6, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., via Microsoft Teams / Teleconference Meeting.



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SCOTT EDSON
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

October 6, 2022

LA-RICS Board of Directors
Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority (the "Authority")

Dear Directors:

FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS UNDER AB 361 AND RELATED ACTIONS

SUBJECT

The California Legislature passed AB 361 to enhance public access to local legislative body meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic and future applicable emergencies. Under AB 361, to continue to meet via teleconferencing, the local legislative body must adopt, by a majority vote, specific findings within 30 days of the first use of the teleconferencing meeting rules after October 1, 2021, and within every 30 days thereafter. The first Board meeting under AB 361 occurred on October 7, 2021, and the Board made its appropriate findings thereafter. The timing of this meeting falls within the 30-day window for the Board to make another finding to continue to use a telephonic meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

It is recommended that your Board, acting on its behalf, and on behalf of the Finance, Operations and Technical Committees appointed by the Board and which are subject to the Brown Act:

1. Find, in accordance with AB 361 Section 3(e)(3), California Government Code Section 54953(e)(3), that the Board has reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and that the State of Emergency remains active; and
2. Find, in accordance with AB 361 Section 3(e)(3), California Government Code Section 54953(e)(3), that local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing.

BACKGROUND

On September 10, 2021, the Legislature passed AB 361, to enhance public access to local legislative body meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic and future applicable emergencies. The Governor signed AB 361 into law on September 16, 2021. To ensure the safety of members of the public and personnel while guaranteeing the public's right to attend and participate in meetings of local legislative bodies and in alignment with the County of Los Angeles' Health Officer's recommendations to reduce crowding indoors and to support physical distancing, the Board can continue to meet via teleconferencing, in compliance with AB 361 while we are under a State of Emergency and while State or local officials continue to recommend measures to promote physical distancing. However, the Board will need to regularly consider the circumstances of the State of Emergency to determine whether teleconferencing should continue no later than 30 days after the Board's first meeting under AB 361 (October 7, 2021), and within every thirty (30) days thereafter.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Under AB 361, to continue to meet via teleconferencing, the local legislative body must adopt, by a majority vote, specific findings within 30 days of the first use of the teleconferencing meeting rules after October 1, 2021, and within every 30 days thereafter. As we approach the sixteenth 30-day deadline and given the timing of this Board meeting, the Board needs to make the necessary findings. The Governor's declaration of a statewide emergency is still in effect, and the County of Los Angeles' Public Health Officer still currently recommends physical distancing.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENT

The Authority's counsel has reviewed the recommended actions and approved as to form.

CONCLUSION

The Executive Director recommends the Board make the recommended findings.

Respectfully submitted,



SCOTT EDSON
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MBC

c: Counsel to the Authority

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LMR UPDATE

■ Phase 2

- ✓ All Building Permits have been issued for Phase 2 Construction activities.
- ✓ The current Integrated Master Schedule (IMS) is the May 10, 2022DD version, which shows a Final System Acceptance of September 1, 2023. The May 10, 2022DD IMS was approved in Amendment 92. The Authority is anticipating a new schedule to be delivered by Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI) the week ending September 23, 2022 and will be discussed both internally and with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI) the following week.
- ✓ Below is a breakdown of the current site progress for Phase 2 scope:
 - Fifty-seven (57) of fifty-eight (58) sites are substantially complete through Phase 4a. The final site, MCI, is currently having Phase 4a equipment installed, expected to be complete in October, 2022.
 - MSI continues to complete punch corrections and resolve assorted issues resulting from installations deviating from approved plans.
 - The work on permanent power at Green Mountain (GRM) continues to proceed with Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) continuing to add requirements without providing requested documents. A joint meeting with the Authority, LADWP, and State Parks was scheduled for September 22, 2022, with good progress achieved as well as solidifying path forward with State Parks, LADWP and the LA-RICS Authority.

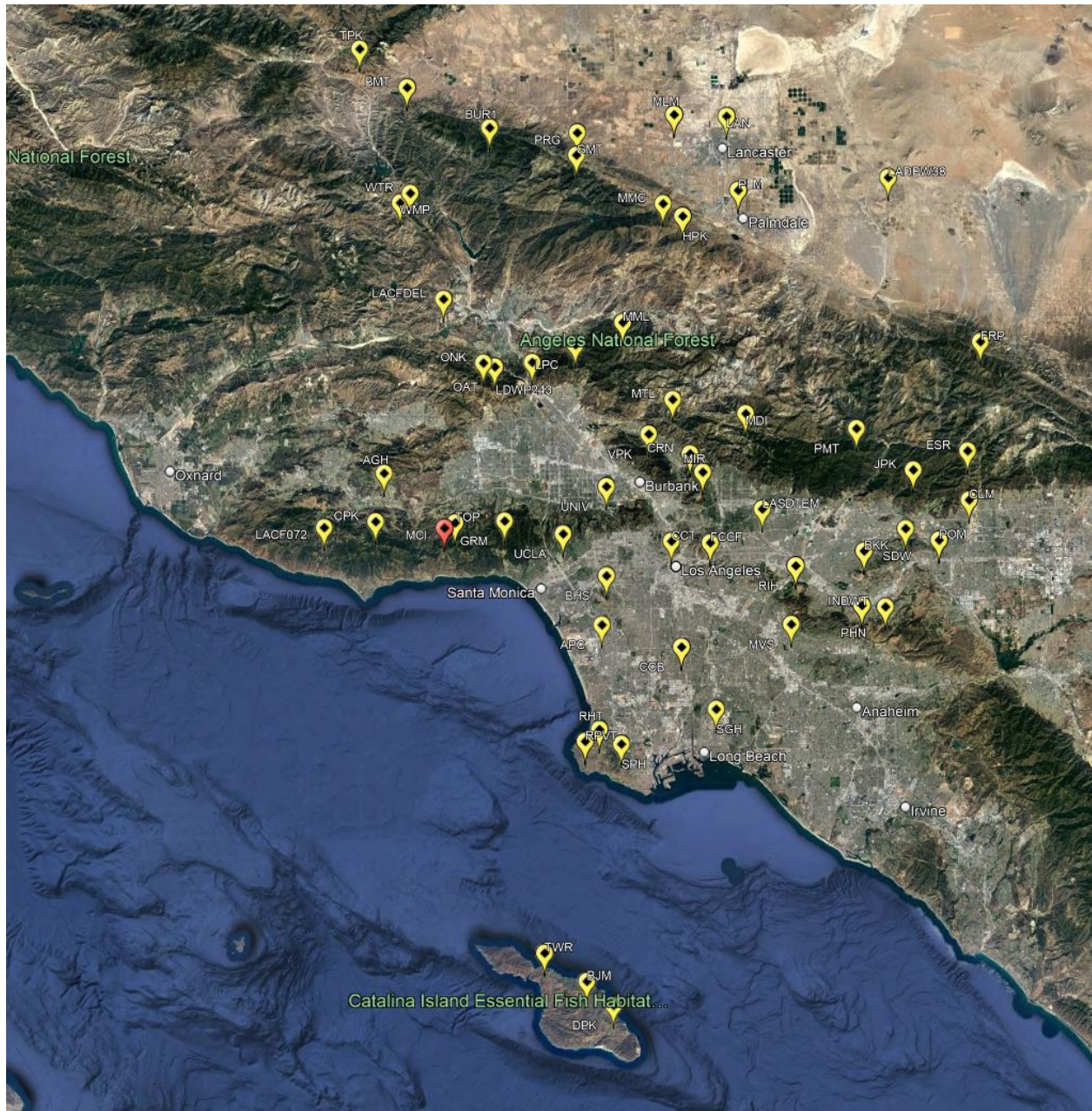
■ Phase 4 – Optimization and Closeout

- ✓ There are thirty-three (33) cells on the air; fifty-two (52) sites are optimized; and of these, forty-eight (48) sites are on the air.
- ✓ Cutover plans continue to be developed in a joint effort between LA-RICS and MSI. The cutover plans will be managed to ensure that all cutovers occur as planned to avoid significant delays which could otherwise affect the Scheduled Final System Acceptance date.
- ✓ Fifty (50) sites have undergone the Phase 4 audit between LA-RICS and MSI. The closeout material submissions associated with each site are in the review and correction response process.

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LMR SITES



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LA-RICS GRANT STATUS					
Grant	Award	Costs Incurred / NTP Issued	Invoiced / Paid	Remaining Balance	Performance Period
UASI 12	\$18,263,579	\$18,263,579	\$18,263,579	\$-	3/31/17
UASI 13	\$13,744,067	\$13,744,067	\$13,744,067	\$-	3/31/18
UASI 14	\$4,997,544	\$4,997,544	\$4,997,544	\$-	7/31/17
UASI 16	\$5,240,455	\$5,240,455	\$5,240,455	\$-	5/31/19
UASI 17	\$34,763,750	\$34,763,750	\$34,763,750	\$-	5/31/20
UASI 18	\$35,000,030	\$35,000,030	\$ 35,000,030	\$-	5/31/21
UASI 19	\$35,000,000	\$35,000,000	\$35,000,000	\$-	7/31/22
UASI 21	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$931,580	\$0	5/31/24
UASI 22	*\$11,688,338	\$-	\$-	\$11,688,338	5/31/25
UASI 23	*\$3,311,662	\$-	\$-	\$3,311,662	5/31/26
UASI 24	*\$0	\$-	\$-	\$0	5/31/27
SHSP 22	\$3,520,000	\$-	\$-	\$3,520,000	5/31/25
SHSP 23	\$1,760,000	\$-	\$-	\$1,760,000	5/31/26
SHSP 24	\$1,120,000	\$-	\$-	\$1,120,000	5/31/27
BTOP	\$149,608,227	\$149,608,227	\$149,608,227	\$ 0	9/30/20

* Moved \$6,688,338 to UASI 22 from UASI 23 and 24 based on approved project swaps with County Fire and Sheriff

Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Events of September 11, 2001 highlighted the need for first responders to be able to communicate with each other. Emergency communications primarily address local jurisdictional needs, and most agencies utilize separate radio towers, equipment, and radio frequencies. LA-RICS is designed to address each of these concerns.

Currently, there is duplication of systems which leads to increased costs while continuing to inhibit first responders' ability communicate with each other. Many legacy systems around the County are obsolete and well beyond their useful life. The LA-RICS Project vision is to provide innovative solutions for the public safety community by removing barriers to interoperable voice and data communications and allow individuals and agencies to focus on accomplishing their mission with the tools necessary to provide excellent service to their communities. To accomplish this vision, the program is implementing a County-wide public safety wireless voice and data radio system for all first and secondary responders. Existing radio frequencies will be pooled, and the current infrastructure utilized wherever practical.

Design, construction, and deployment of a County-wide Land Mobile Radio (LMR) voice network utilizes 59 sites. All sites in both the LMR and LTE augmentation comply with CEQA and NEPA standards.

Project and Construction Management Services will provide network, infrastructure, project, and advisory services across four of the five program phases (Phase 5 – Maintenance is excluded) for each of the LMR and LTE projects:

- Phase 1 - System design
- Phase 2 - Site construction and modification
- Phase 3 - Supply telecommunication system components
- Phase 4 - Telecommunications system implementation
- Phase 5 - Telecommunications system maintenance

Location:

2525 Corporate Place, Suite 100
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Authority:

Los Angeles Regional Interoperable
Communications System

Management:

LA-RICS Project Team

Consultant:

Jacobs Project Management Company

Communications Vendor:

LMR - Motorola Solutions, Inc., Brandow &
Johnston

LTE - Motorola Solutions, Inc., David
Evans & Associates, Metrocell, Inc.,
Diversified Communications, Inc, Motive
Energy, Inc. and Jitney, Inc.



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GENERAL UPDATES

Operations/Governance

- LA-RICS Operations holds regular meetings to focus on the following:
 1. Manage network migration to LA-RICS to meet milestone cut-over dates established in the approved IMS.
 2. Ensure internal LA-RICS operational aspects are in place.
 3. Develop and Implement Policies as determined by the operations contributors.

Special Events

- No new activity.

LMR UPDATES

Environmental Update

- MMRP remaining funds will be used for power run ground disturbance related activities at GRM which is not yet scheduled.
- The Project Team has accomplished Worker Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) training for 1,725 persons as of September 2, 2022, this was the last training session during the period.

Phase 1: Permitting Support

- The final building permit for the MCI site was issued on May 19, 2022, Fifty-nine (59) building permit applications have been made to date (AGH, APC, BHS, BJM, BKK, BMT, BUR1, CCB, CCT, CITYWLK, CLM, CPK, CRN, DPK, DPW38, ESR, FCCF, FRP, GMT, GRM, HPK, INDWT, JPK2, LACF072, LACFDEL, LAN, LARICSHQ, LASDTEM, LDWP243, LPC, MCI, MDI, MLM, MMC, MML, MIR, MTL2, MVS, OAT, ONK, PHN, PLM, PMT, POM, PRG, RIH, RHT, RPVT, SDW, SGH, SPH, SPN, TOP, TPK, TWR, UCLA, UNIV, VPK, WMP, WTR), representing 58 Program sites.

Phase 2: Site/Civil

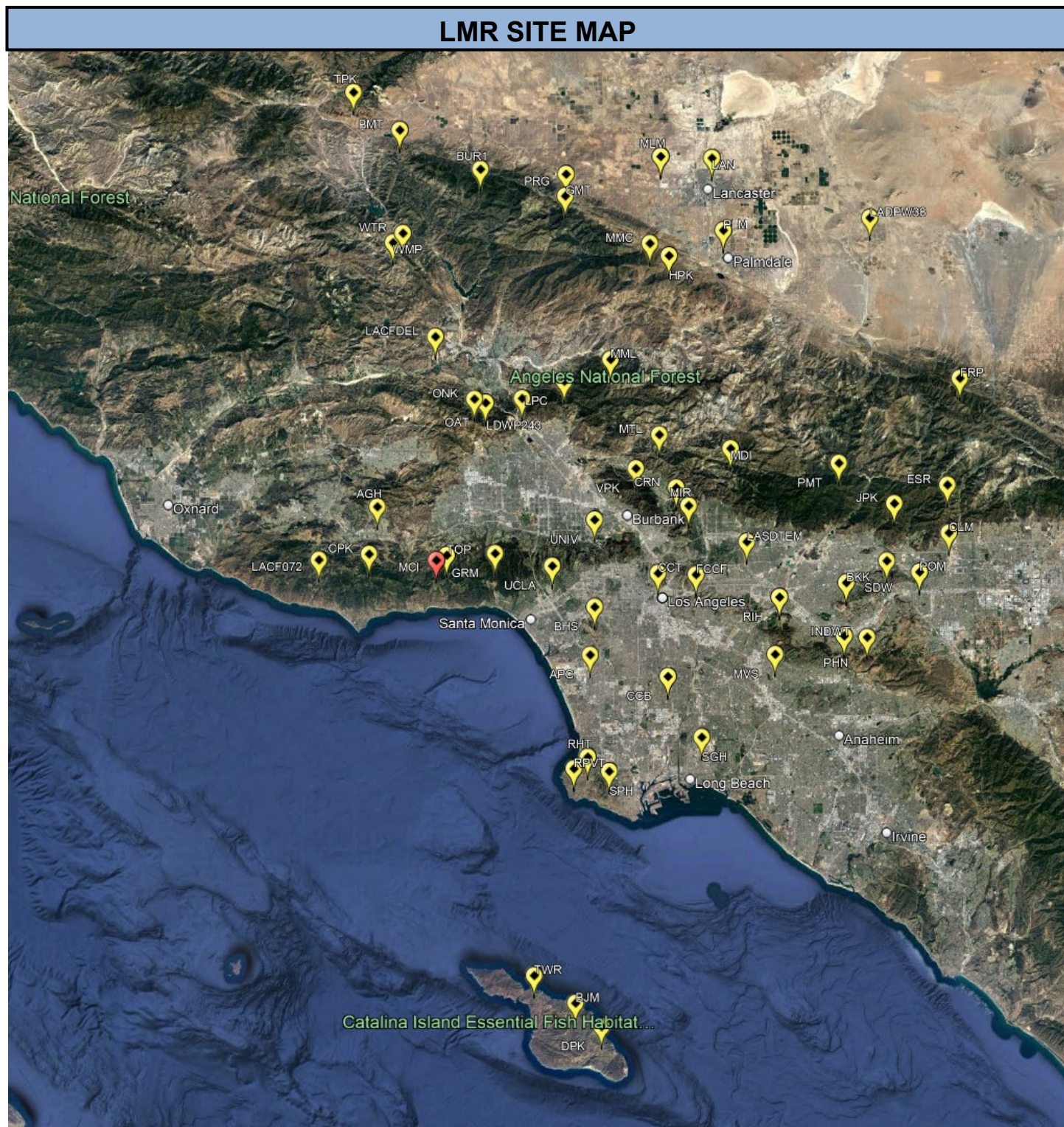
- All Site Access Agreements (SAA's) are complete.
- 57 sites are substantially complete through Ph4a. The 58th and final site in the Program, MCI, commenced construction on May 23, 2022.
- 56 sites have commercial power, this includes MCI, where LA-RICS took over the existing 200-amp service on site and upgraded it to 400 amps through Southern California Edison. Of the 2 remaining sites pending commercial power, 2 (BUR1 and GRM) have primary power generators on site that are running in support of MSI's activities at these sites.
- While the Project Schedule with the data date of May 5, 2022, is the current operative baseline schedule, Motorola has submitted a new Integrated Master Schedule with a data date of September 13, 2022, which has a projected NMDN Phase 1 cutover of 9/29/2022, however MSI's unwillingness to de-link the documentation portion of the program to the cutover of a physical subsystem indicates that this date will push out. Motorola has failed to provide the Authority with closeout book contents of sufficient quality in a time frame that has allowed approval, causing this delay to the NMDN Phase 1 cutover deadline. The 9/13/2022 schedule has the finish date of 10/19/2023 but is currently in review with the Project Management team.
- Motorola's continues to make progress on resolving "slip-sheet" items from the previously submitted UASI 18 and UASI 19 Closeout Books.
- For power at the GRM site, the Authority has sought assistance outside of the City of Los Angeles Mayor's office. During this period, Staff has met with LADWP several times on the LADWP-established weekly meeting series to obtain updates on action items necessary leading to the installation of utility extension that will serve the project site. Per LADWP request, the Authority provided an updated land survey for LADWP's planning and placement of the new power poles as well as documentation on related easements. The Authority is acting as the coordinator between LADWP and State Parks to encourage each agency to make progress towards the ultimate goal which is a line extension that provides power to the LA-RICS GRM site. The Authority hosted a joint meeting between LADWP and California State Parks to move the easement and Right-of-Entry task forward on 9/22/2022. In the interim the site testing work is being performed with the utilization of a rented diesel generator.
- The BUR1 site also continues to operate using a rented diesel generator, since Southern California Edison has not yet repaired its utility distribution serving the immediate area of the project.
- There are no recordable safety issues to report on in this period.

Phase 4: Network

- Focus of the Ph4 effort is Site Audits and Close Out Book (COB) activities related to compiling of the data followed by review and approval of the items submitted. Motorola continues to work through the challenge of submitting accurate documentation in the COBs, and in a timely manner, resulting in additional Staff time for re-reviews. As of this report, twenty-two (25) Phase 4a COB soft (digital) copies have been approved. System Documentation closeout books are in review by the Authority, and although the Phase 2 System Documentation Closeout Books began being delivered to the Authority in September 2022, the team has worked to provide feedback to Motorola as expeditiously as possible to maintain the NMDN-1 Schedule.
- System interference on Ch. 16 is still being investigated by the Sheriff's Department, Fire Department, and ISD along with the technical leads from the LA-RICS Project Team.

- The coordination between LACoFD, LASD, MSI, and LA-RICS is critical to ensure that frequencies are available for testing and operating the Digital Trunk Voice Radio System (DTVRS), and Analog Conventional System (ACVRS), particularly.
- MSI has reported that they are on schedule for the turnover of the first subsystem, NMDN Ph.1.

The LMR Site Map is shown below.





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To: LA-RICS Authority Board of Directors
From: Scott Edson 
Executive Director

**SPECTRUM AND LICENSING ISSUES IMPACTING
LAND MOBILE RADIO DEPLOYMENT**

The purpose of this discussion item is to update your Board on the radio spectrum issue for the Land Mobile Radio System (LMR) system, as well as frequency licensing issues impacting the LMR deployment.

TP:mbc

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OUTREACH UPDATE

The purpose of this discussion item is to update your Board on the status of outreach activities pertaining to the LA-RICS Land Mobile Radio (LMR) project. The below meetings occurred since our last report to you:

MUNICIPALITY	MEETING DATE
California Contract Cities Association – Discussion regarding Presentation in October 2022 (TBA)	09/01/22
Outreach Meeting with Catalina Island/Avalon Fire Department and Harbor Patrol	09/06/22
Weekly Outreach Meeting	09/12/22
Weekly Outreach Meeting	09/19/22
International Association of Chiefs of Police Communications (IACP) Communications and Technology Committee – Monthly Meeting	09/21/22
Outreach Meeting with Cerritos College Police Department	09/22/22
Weekly Outreach Meeting	09/26/22
Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI) - Critical System Training	09/01/22 – 09/30/22

The Executive Director attended several association meetings related to technology, communications, and public safety.

Authority staff and personnel from County of Los Angeles (County) Fire Department (LACoFD) traveled to Catalina Island to conduct outreach and planning with several agencies including Avalon Fire Department, Avalon Harbor Patrol, and the LACoFD's Bay Watch Station. The meetings were organized by Battalion Chief Dayton Calhoun and Captain August Dougherty. The trip was very productive, and the information obtained will

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be used by the LACoFD and the LA-RICS team going forward. Authority staff assisted with and attended several weeks of critical system training provided by Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI). The training covered basic DTVRS concepts, radio code plug building, and fleet mapping. Authority staff continued to conduct meetings and planning with personnel from the County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department's (LASD) Communications and Fleet Management Bureau (CFMB) regarding full station testing in the very near future.

Director Edson and members of the Authority staff tentatively plan to present a short system update to the California Contract Cities Association during the last week of October 2022.

Authority staff meet weekly to discuss new outreach opportunities and followed up on those in progress.

The Executive Director is a member of the IACP Communications and Technology Committee and attends monthly meetings to stay current on communications technology, as well as policy and procedures.

Authority staff conducted an outreach to Cerritos College Police Department. The command staff at the police department is evaluating its communication needs and the possibility of using LA-RICS. Authority staff will work closely with the department to ensure their needs are met.

Authority staff members have continued close contact with our State and Federal partners to ensure interoperability during major events and to further collaborate on regional public safety communication.

RJW:mbc



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Dear Directors:

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

In accordance with the Joint Power Authority (JPA) Agreement, the Board should consider whether to elect a new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the LA-RICS JPA Board of Directors. The Board may continue to elect the current Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for another one-year term, or consider other Board Members.

Any new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson that would be elected, if any, would not assume this role until October 7, 2022, the day after this Board Meeting.

As required in the JPA Agreement under Article 3, Section 1.01, the Board shall elect a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson from among the Directors. The Chairperson shall sign all contracts on behalf of the Authority (unless delegated to the Executive Director), and shall perform such other duties as may be imposed by the Board. In the absence of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson can sign contracts (unless delegated to the Executive Director) and perform all of the Chairperson's duties. Your Board should consider and vote on nominations for a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

Respectfully submitted,

SCOTT EDSON
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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c: Counsel to the Authority