NPSTC Federal Partners Update

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U.S. States/Territories are Onboard with FirstNet

50 States
6 Territories

Benefits of opt in

- Interoperability and key now:
- Preemption
- Sustainability
- Security
- Efficiencies

Expanded coverage & capacity

Getting states on board

Expanding FirstNet:
The First Responder Network Authority will issue work orders to deploy RANs in states/territories, giving green light to expand the to provide the bandwidth to public safety, enabling first responders to benefit from the latest lifesaving technologies and applications

Driving innovation:
FirstNet will unlock a new technology marketplace for public safety, enabling first responders to benefit from the latest lifesaving technologies and applications

Securing emergency communications:
FirstNet’s first-of-its-kind core infrastructure will give first responders a dedicated, highly secure network with full encryption and end-to-end cybersecurity

Consultation with public safety:
The First Responder Network Authority continue to engage with public safety, state territories, federal agencies, and tribal nations to ensure the network meets their needs
FirstNet’s Journey

2012

Outreach 2012-14
- Outreach to the public safety community
- Education on FirstNet

2014-16
 Consultation
- Consultation in all 56 states/territories through state, regional, metro, and local engagements
- Data Collection

2016-17
 Partnership and Plans
- AT&T partnership formed
- State Plans development and delivery
- Governor’s decision

2018-22
 Deployment and Engagement
- Gathering public safety inputs on network features and functionality

2022
Public safety priorities

- Public safety always gets priority
- Highly secure network to meet public safety’s data requirements
- Controlled access by public safety agencies for their users
- Coverage where public safety operates
- Enhanced user experience