SLIGP Update for PSAC Associations

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BACKGROUND

• The State and Local Implementation Grant Program (SLIGP) was created under the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012

• SLIGP is a three-year, formula-based grants program requiring 20% matching funds

• Funding is to help recipients plan and prepare for the forthcoming nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network (PSBN)

• NTIA awarded $116.2 million in grants to 54 states and territories
PROGRAM GOALS

Grant funds assist states and territories as they plan for the nationwide PSBN, including activities that:

• Support planning, governance, consultation, and outreach;

• Engage local governments, regional bodies, rural communities, and Tribal Nations;

• Reach out to all public safety disciplines that may be potential users of the PSBN; and

• Fund data collection efforts to gather information on existing infrastructure and equipment.
SLIGP OUTCOMES

- Enhance or establish statewide governing bodies to include broadband;
- Effectively consult with FirstNet about unique characteristics of states and territories and needs of public safety users;
- Identify potential users for the nationwide PSBN;
- Update Statewide Communications Interoperability Plans (SCIP) to include public safety wireless broadband initiatives; and
- Collect data on existing infrastructure to help FirstNet plan for the PSBN.
PLANNED RECIPIENT ACTIVITIES

• 50 SLIGP recipients (92 percent) are using existing governance structures from previous interoperable communications efforts.

• Of those recipients using an existing governance body:
  ➢ 33 percent intend to enhance their membership
  ➢ 26 percent plan to create a new subcommittee

• Of the 34 recipients with federally recognized tribes, 21 are adding new tribal representation to their governing bodies.
PLANNED RECIPIENT ACTIVITIES

• 31 recipients plan to utilize both the Statewide Interoperability Coordinator and Chief Information / Technology Officer for public safety broadband planning

• 43 recipients are engaging with neighboring states to share information and best practices

• 31 recipients are planning conferences, meetings, or training sessions

• 21 recipients are planning webinars or other web-based training
PROGRAM OFFICE ACTIVITIES

• SLIGP held two regional workshops to encourage collaboration and provide time for the attendees to engage with FirstNet

• For the remainder of the year, SLIGP will engage in the following outreach and technical assistance activities:
  ➢ Develop programmatic best practices documents
  ➢ Conduct site visits
  ➢ Hold webinars and conference calls
HOW CAN YOUR MEMBERS GET INVOLVED?

• Find out your designated Single Point of Contact (SPOC)
• Determine what groups or associations are represented on the state/territory governing body (or public safety broadband subcommittee)
• Learn how your state intends to execute education and outreach for public safety broadband and get involved
• Attend PSBN outreach events
• Help identify potential PSBN users
• Support the asset and infrastructure data collection efforts, if requested by the state
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