

Idaho District II Interoperability Governance Board Agenda



Thursday, June 12th- 2025 (9:00 a.m. Pacific)

Brammer Building (1225 Idaho Street); Lewiston, Idaho

(*Possible Action Items*)

9:00 a.m. Introductions (in-room & on-line); approval of prior meeting minutes; confirm quorum; note proxies; approve agenda changes; **virtual connection information: Page 2.**

Open Session

9:10 a.m. *IPSCC Rep Report & Discussion*: Marci Williams;
mwilliams@latahcountyid.gov

Met last month – Sheriff Andy Creech new chair of IPSCC, need to vice-chair, update on NG911 progress, using consultants for the project and moving forward.

IPSCC meeting - July 10th 1 pm – new Nez Perce County CH

PSAP committee: 2nd quarter trainings and starting 3rd quarter trainings – 1 will be in Moscow – lifelines for stress management will be that topic – August 13 – 2 classes 1 in morning / 1 in afternoon at Moscow PD training room. August 14 CDA PD as well.

Allocating money for network engineers for NG9-1-1 project

Next PSAP meeting in Lewiston Police Training Center July 9th 1:00 pm – teams option is available. Will continue to promote for DIGB2.

Idaho APCO – Rapid SOS training this fall – in SE / SW Idaho. Rolling out and discussion on new features of Rapid SOS. Able to share data between agencies better. Montana APCO wants to do a combined conference with Idaho in Missoula this September.

9:20 a.m. *DIGB2 Communication Information*:

- **DIGB2 PSAP Information** (Members)
- **District 2 LMR Updates**: (All)
- **2025 D-II F.O.G.** Update: Chair for Don Gardner
dgardner@clearwatercounty.org

Lewis County – adding new radios in sheriff vehicles. Staff seems to do well

Idaho County – looking at joining host remote at NPC, staffing levels good

Clearwater County – NGCS work, struggling with Inland Cell towers not having generators to backup for power needs. Are others having these issues. Discussion on project in Riggins – had to work with Brian to help get a solution for backup power for that area. Was a challenge.

Discussion to get this done. Battery Backups last 30 minutes but no generator. Usually aren't notified of outages as well. Is this a shared concern for rural areas of the state? Verizon and ATT seem to have generators.

Latah County – tested backup 9-1-1 system using Nez Perce Co / Lewiston positions. Had to get ILETS setup to work at both locations for NCIC. Allowed 6 logins – so you can setup at several agencies for backup.

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Lewiston PD – Tori has moved on to Florida. Looking at some new staffing models. Capt Klone is the current contact for dispatch.

DIGB2 9-1-1 upgrade – We have a project manager waiting for kickoff meeting.

Wildland Interagency Communications: still leaving – IDL is looking at purchasing that building. USFS still plan on leaving. IDL may use the property for other purposes as well as combined center for IDL, Tribe, TPA etc. Idaho County may consider co-locate dispatch center if that is an available option.

LMR – Latah – simulcast system is being deployed – end of July is the hope for completion. Will get the new frequencies. Dual system East/West and Bald Mtn will be a stand-alone. Moscow PD is also moving forward with a project as well. NPC is also going to simulcast – new frequencies will be sent out when they come out. LPD – channel 3 will be encrypted for tactical. Primary channel will be digital. Brian Birdsell has sent out that information.

Commissioners are funding the material for a fiber loop as a part of Commerce Grant.

Construction RFP coming after materials purchased, may start fall.

FOG – reminder to get info to Don Gardner – he will keep the digital FOG current. Make sure we keep the contact info up to date

9:30 a.m. *NG9-1-1 Core Services Information / Q & A; Update on State/Regional GIS Initiative*: Bill Reynolds; BillReynolds@co.nezperce.id.us

GIS – is critical for NG9-1-1 we need to work with locals for

Public safety GIS – working with Wilma’s team for a procedure for matching to MSAGS and matching local GIS datasets

Mapping for Wildland fire and other emergencies is available as the layers are developed.

Discussion on LEPC meetings - some counties have them every other month to quarterly or 2 times a year. Maybe involve them more in the addressing issues in the area.

Gathering info on call – owners phone info is also valuable – is there a way to grab this data in the GIS layers? It is difficult to maintain in the GIS probably best to put in the CAD software.

10:00 a.m. **Break**

10:15 a.m. *911 Program Manager Information & Updates*: Eric Newman; enewman@imd.idaho.gov (208-258-6526).

Update – things are moving forward with modernization layer. How to navigate the 911 space – legislation, etc. looking at a NG911 authority – at the PSAP level users. Discussion on engaging voices for 9-1-1 in our state. Looking at legal review and grant funding. ESINET and GIS moving forward. PSAP refresh costs are need funding – that is the challenging piece to this project. Typically, grants are approved in Sept – looking at July approval this year and August for equipment.

We should have discussions as well on other local communication needs for Public Safety response.

10:30 a.m. *Update on District Fiber / Communication Projects*:

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Update – pre-bid conference call with contractors – 4 – 6 weeks out on awarding. Then start up on project from Orofino to Nezperce to Grangeville. Phase 3 – fiber to home in Nezperce and local providers for services in those communities.

Working on contracts with ISPs – required as part of grant

Port project moving forward – hoping to start in July if materials arrive. Port working with Pivot Tech for Fiber to the home hope to complete within next 30 months

Latah – signed agreement for Phase 1 yesterday

10:45 a.m. * DIGB2 Business and Vendor Information*:

- None currently scheduled; slot is available

Statewide Interoperability Coordinator – looking for suggestions from the local on the position. Thoughts or input we can forward to state.

John W - SafeCom assessments – Cybersecurity, AI are becoming more important. Cyber Security is important to FEMA grants. NPT is working with Vicinity – assessing cyber security threats for the Tribe.

CISA does assessments as well.

11:00 a.m. **Adjourn-Next Meeting:** Location/Date: Lewiston- **Thursday, Sept. 11th**

Voting members: Clearwater County: Don Gardner; Michael Gladhart. Idaho County: Jerry Zumalt; Terry Cochran. Latah County: Tim Besst; Dustin Blaker; Marci Williams. Lewis County: Jason Davis; Dan Musgrave. Nez Perce County: Bill Reynolds; Brian Birdsell and James Wooderchak. Nez Perce Tribe: Mark Bensen; John Wheaton; Melissa King, alternate.

