

STATE OF MINNESOTA

MINNESOTA-FIRSTNet CONSULTATION PROJECT



MINNESOTA OBJECTIVES FOR FIRSTNET

The landmark Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 secured radio spectrum and federal grant funding for the development of a Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN), and created an independent authority, FirstNet, to oversee the implementation and operations of the NPSBN.

FirstNet's ultimate goal is to deploy the NPSBN to meet the requirements of emergency responders nationwide. To assist FirstNet in the gathering of the public safety requirements, and to support the development of a strategic plan, the State of Minnesota received a grant award under the State and Local Implementation Grant Program (SLIGP).

The resulting Minnesota FirstNet Consultation Project (MnFCP) is focused on identifying the wireless broadband needs of our State, County, Local and Tribal public safety agencies. The primary goals of the MnFCP are:

- Conduct Education and Outreach on FirstNet
- Accurately assess public safety user requirements
- Develop a fiscal sustainability plan for the network
- Gather the necessary information to assist FirstNet with designing and deploying the network
- Prepare the State of Minnesota and its public safety governance structure for the Minnesota FirstNet consultation
- Develop a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to facilitate asset sharing
- Provide support for the deployment of the NPSBN in the State of Minnesota

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QUESTIONS?

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