

JUNE 21, 1994

NPSPAC RRC MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 13:10 PM with the following members alternates, and guests in attendance;

Kevin Kearns		Zone 2
Duncan Stewart		" "
Jon Wiswell		" "
Jay Morrison	Alternate	" "
Larry Mowrey	Alternate	" "
Mitch Thompson		Zone 4
Wayne Wantland	Eastside Coordinator	
Ross Morris	Westside	" "
Alan Hull	Wash State Representative	
Jimmie Hocutt	Guest Wash State EMD	
Pat Buller	" Wash State Patrol	
Fred Radovich	" Motorola, Inc.	
Dave Brush	" City of Yakima	
John Slomnicki	" King County DAD	
Ron McAfee	" Kitsap Co	
Mike Norman	" Sno-Co Pud	

Minutes of the May meeting were accepted as written

OLD BUSINESS: Kevin reported that Betty Wolford of the FCC has not had a chance to review our plan to date but plans to have it reviewed and out for comment by July 15, 1994. If there are no negative comments it should be approved no later than August 15, 1994.

Jon Wiswell suggested that we put the draft plan on the APCO bulletin board during the reply/comment period. It was agreed that a draft be put on the bulletin board, Wayne Wantland will send Jon a disc with the draft plan for uploading to the bulletin board.

NEW BUSINESS No new business at this time

APPLICATION REVIEW: The Dept of Corrections application for the prison at Airway Heights was reviewed prior to the resubmitted package from Wash State Dept of Transportation due to questions concerning the ICALL channel.

Alan Hull commented that the DOC application indicates that DOC would install the ICALL channel at the prison as part of the application package. Alan noted that WSDOT plans to install the same channel at Mt. Spokane as part of the statewide 800 MHz system.

After some discussion it was felt that WSDOT should continue with their plan to install ICALL at Mt. Spokane as this will give wide area coverage for the calling channel.

The RRC recommended that DOC install ITAC-1 at the prison in place of ICALL. This should be more beneficial to the prison and the Communities surrounding the prison since both ICALL and ITAC-1 would be available for mutual aid situations "in and around" the prison.

Jon Wiswell made the motion that since these are the same frequencies already approved for DOC to use state wide in the prison system and with the change from ICALL to ITAC-1, the application be approved. Ross Morris seconded. Motion carried

Fred Radovich of Motorola Inc, indicated that he is submitting applications on behalf of DOC for the same frequencies to be used at the womens prison in Purdy, Wa.

The committee recommended that he make a formal application with 11 copies for the members. When the applications are received by the Chair a telephone poll will be taken for approval. Any questions concerning the mutual aid channel will be addressed at that time.

Before beginning a review of the remaining applications, a letter from Allan Josue, Communications Planner for the Wash State Emergency Management Division of the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development, was submitted for the record. The letter supported the statements made during the May meeting that as of May 25, 1994, there are no other state agencies actively pursuing 800 MHz channels.

The Committee began the review of the revised applications submitted by the Wash State Dept. of Transportation.

Cape Horn; Alan Hull noted that channel 695 which is adjacent to Clark County has been withdrawn from the application. Wayne Wantland motioned with that change the application be approved. Jimmie Hocutt seconded. Committee voted approval.

Galbraith; Channel 693 which is secondary to Canada was withdrawn from the application. Wayne Wantland motioned with the change the application be approved. Jimmie Hocutt seconded. Committee voted approval.

White Pass; Alan Hull explained that channel 695 is adjacent to Pierce County and that the coverage maps show the 25 dbu contour into Pierce County but the area covered is Mt. Ranier. Alan ventured that Mt. Ranier probably receives signals from many areas of the state. Alan noted that WSDOT will submit a letter that states "if there is adjacent channel interference to Pierce County WSDOT will do what it takes to correct the problem." With submittal of the letter Alan requested approval of the application. Wayne Wantland motioned with the letter that the application be approved. Jon Wiswell seconded. Committee voted approval.

Davis Peak; Alan withdrew from the application channel 784 which is adjacent to Oregon statewide and channel 693 which is adjacent to Clark County. Ross Morris motioned with the changes the application be approved. Wayne Wantland seconded. The committee voted approval.

Buck Mtn; Channel 826 adjacent to Snohomish County was dropped from the application. With this change Wayne Wantland motioned for approval. Jon Wiswell seconded. The committee voted approval.

Roosevelt; Alan withdrew channel 784 which is adjacent to an Oregon statewide channel and channel 693 which is adjacent to a Benton County channel from the application. Ross Morris motioned that with these changes to the application that the application be approved. Wayne Wantland seconded. Committee voted approval.

Mt. Constitution; Channel 608 which is secondary to Canada was withdrawn from the application. Wayne Wantland motioned that with the change the application be approved. Jon Wiswell seconded the motion. The Committee voted approval.

This completed the review of the WSDOT package. Kevin Kearns, Alan Hull and Ross Morris will review the completed package to insure everything is in order before it is submitted to APCO.

Pat Buller of Wash State Patrol submitted an application package requesting frequencies that can be used by WSP in local situations when needed in various areas of the Wash State. The package was accepted for review by the Committee. It was noted that the frequencies on the application will not work but frequencies will be selected that will better meet the needs of the applicant.

Kevin Kearns requested that Wayne Wantland assume the Chair of the Committee while he formally presented the application package submitted by the King County Regional Radio System applicants.

The package presented was complete except for the 574 and FDR-3 forms from King County and Valley Comm, which will be submitted when completed. The package and detailed explanation of the arrangement of sites and specific frequencies on the sites was complete to the point that review of the package could proceed.

Kevin explained that the package includes applications to modify existing licenses which delete, add, or change frequencies at various sites, as well as applications for new frequencies and new sites. The package contains letters of authorization from existing licensees allowing the necessary modification needed for the most efficient use of all existing NPSPAC frequencies within King County.

Kevin explained that a low level site, North Seattle, will use unassigned channels but since it is low level the impact of the use of these channels should be minimal.

Interoperability is being addressed in the plan with the installation of the ICALL channels at West Tiger, Grass, Dodge Ridge, and Sobieski Mtns. Voting receivers will be distributed at sites along the I-5/405 corridors to insure the maximum benefit of the mutual aid channel. In addition to the ICALL channel, repeaters on ITAC-1, ITAC-2, ITAC-3, and ITAC-4, channels will be distributed in the area at sites which will give the best wide area coverage.

The Committee accepted the package for review and used the date of mailing as the date of acceptance.

Jay Morrison representing Snohomish County, (and Counties other than King which are part of Zone 2), expressed concern that the coverage footprint of the North City site was larger than needed and impacted the reuse of the unassigned channels and their adjacent channels within Zone 2.

Jay advocated steps should be taken during the review process to lessen the coverage area of the North City site. In response the King County team stated that they respond in mutual aid situations to areas in south Snohomish county and don't feel the coverage is too large. In addition there were several opinions offered that the unassigned channels could not be packed and that at whatever site they were added to they would impact the reuse or adjacent channel use within the same zone.

After much discussion Alan Hull motioned that upon receipt of the 574 and FDR-3 forms that the application be approved. Ross Morris seconded. With Kevin Kearns and Jon Wiswell Zone 2 representatives to the RRC abstaining, Zone 2 alternate members Larry Mowery and Jay Morrison voted in their place, the Committee approved the applications with a 5 to 1 majority. (Mitch Thompson had to leave prior to the vote).

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 16:39 PM.