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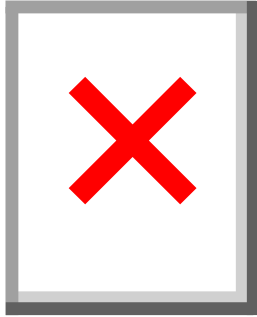
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Former Washington State, Seattle tech leader Bill Schrier receives national award for public safety communications

The First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet Authority) today awarded Bill Schrier the Chief Harlin R. McEwen Public Safety Broadband Communications Award (Harlin McEwen Award) for his leadership and contributions to advancing broadband communications for public safety.

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The Evolving Law Enforcement Landscape and the First Responders' Mental Health Crisis

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Six trailblazers in public safety receive prestigious Patriot Award

Today, six distinguished leaders in public safety received the First Responder Network Authority's (FirstNet Authority) prestigious Patriot Award for their innovative use of broadband...



San Pasqual Band joins FirstNet public safety network

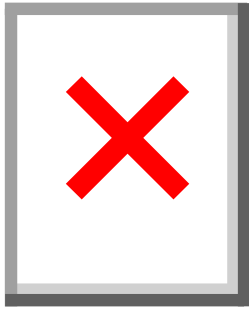
The San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians is connecting its police, fire, education, public works and other departments to FirstNet, built with AT&T – the only network built with and...



Mike Cannon Named FirstNet Authority Executive Director and CEO

Today, the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) announced that Mike Cannon has been named the Executive Director and CEO...





FirstNet Insights



Off to the races: FirstNet keeps Iowa responders in the fast lane

The Iowa Speedway in Newton, Iowa, consists of a main oval track and seven road course layouts, allowing it to host both NASCAR and IndyCar events. With 30,000 seats at...



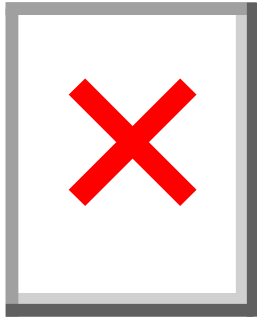
FirstNet gives EMS best-in-class communications for worst-case scenarios

EMS personnel must be able to rely on their communications — especially during worst-case scenarios. In this dire situation, every member of the crew began handing over their personal cell...



How FirstNet Reinvestment Is Transforming First Responder Communications

Discover how FirstNet reinvestment enhances communication for first responders with expanded coverage, 5G advancements, and mission-critical technology...



Let Congress know how crucial FirstNet is to public safety.

Support the reauthorization of the FirstNet Authority to preserve public safety's network

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Why WPS (Wireless Priority Service) Isn't Enough for First Responders

Discover why WPS isn't enough for first responders. See how FirstNet outperforms with superior reliability, security, and dedicated bandwidth in emergencies.



FirstNet deployables provide on-demand coverage for public safety

In emergencies, communication is more than just a convenience — it's a lifeline. When disaster strikes in remote regions or terrestrial communication networks fail, gaps in coverage can delay critical...



Ensuring the 'safe' in public safety: How technology is changing incident response

March to mid-May is busy season for Shawnee County Fire District #4, located in northeastern Kansas. Our agency is made up of 20 to 30 volunteers who give their time...



FirstNet Coverage Survey

The PSBTA is collecting information on where additional FirstNet coverage is needed so that we can pass it on to those that make that decision. Help us Help You by taking this 30 second coverage.

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WEBINAR

Optimizing the power of AI & FirstNet for public safety

Artificial Intelligence (AI) & FirstNet are changing the landscape of public safety communications. Working in concert, these tools will not only help first responders and the public safety community, but exponentially increase the efficiency and accuracy of mission-critical responses.

Join Michael Barnbeck, Deputy Executive Director of the PSBTA, and Stephen Devine, Chief Technology Officer of APCO International, as they delve into the wide world of AI. Specifically, they will discuss what is AI, how does AI integrate with public safety broadband, explore use cases where AI has been successful, and the importance of FirstNet reauthorization to the expansion and evolution of AI.

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WEBINAR

How FirstNet Deployables Can Help You During a Disaster

When a disaster hits, FirstNet helps your organization stay connected to ensure you have access to voice and data when it matters most. From Compact Rapid Deployables (CRDs) to Cells on Light Trucks (SatCOLTs) and Cells on Wheels (COWs), the FirstNet Response Operations Group (ROG) has more than 180 dedicated deployable network assets to assist public safety and communities.

Join Chief Jeff Johnson (Ret) and Fred Scalera, Director of Program Management and the Response Operations Group for the FirstNet Program at AT&T, as they discuss how to request assets, the capabilities of the various assets, suitability of deployables for incidents, and much more!

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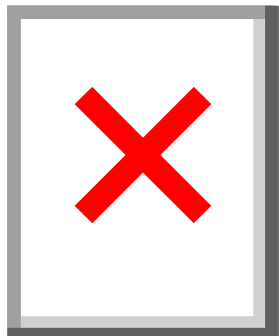
PODCAST

FirstNet and the 4.9 GHz Spectrum.

This episode dives into the critical evolution of public safety communications, focusing on the recent FCC decision to establish a nationwide Band Manager framework for the 4.9 GHz spectrum, and discuss the evolution and deployment of the FirstNet System. Host Chris Tubbs interviews Chief Jeff Johnson, a leader in public safety technology and the development of FirstNet. Together, they explore the history, governance, and transformative potential of FirstNet and the 4.9 GHz spectrum in enhancing public safety operations with emerging technologies like AI, 5G, and augmented reality. The discussion emphasizes the importance of protecting and optimizing public safety spectrum, the lessons learned from past advocacy

efforts, and a call to action for public safety leaders to remain engaged in ensuring the spectrum's effective use and governance.

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