



FIRSTNET

BROADBAND MATTERS

What is FIRSTNET?

- Board of Directors consisting of Public Safety Officials and members of the Private Sector
- Charged with creating the National Public Safety Broadband Network
- Dedicated to Public Safety users
- 7 Billion allocated to construct
- Funding from FCC spectrum auctions

One BIG Cellular 4G Network





Why FIRSTNET?

Public Safety uses wireless technology
Efficient and Effective means of handling
situations

Bandwidth demands

No competition with the Commercial Networks


Public Safety Grade Network

Priority Service


On Scene control of bandwidth

Lots of Bandwidth





How will Iowa handle FIRSTNET?

- State Point of Contacts (SPOCs) Thomas Lampe
 - Each State has a SPOC
 - Meet quarterly to share ideas
 - Yearly Conference
 - Responsible for giving information to the Governors Office on the FIRSTNET initiative.
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State Outreach update & Governance

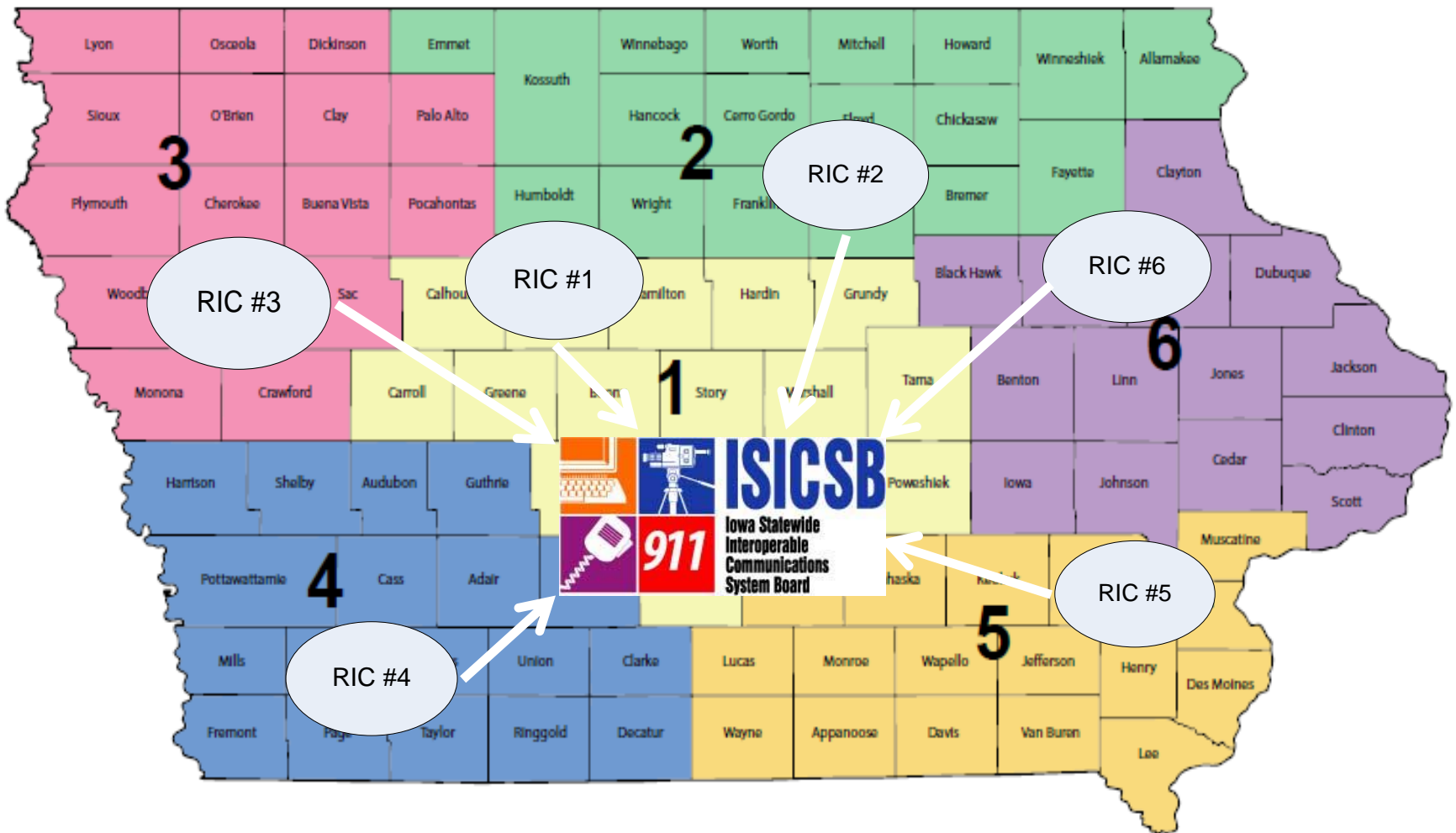
- 99 County presentations
- 2.1 million dollar grant to fund the outreach and assessment of infrastructure.
- Connect Iowa partnership
- Outreach Specialist
- Regional Interoperability Committees.
- 6 Homeland Security Regions
- 74 County presentations complete
- 200 + interested in committee involvement
- 100 + interested in sharing infrastructure
- Media blitz <http://www.kcrg.com/subject/news/linn-county-emergency-personnel-consider-exclusive-broadband-network-20150113>
- Email blitz



Regional Interoperability Committees (RICS)

- 6 total
- Chair-Vice Chair of each
- 10 to 15 member average
- Input on Network in the region they represent
- Reports to Interoperability Board monthly
- Infrastructure availability
- User input
- Sub-Committee of outreach
- Over 200 public safety officials have shown interest in becoming a member of a RIC

Iowa Homeland Security Regions



Region 1 Planner: Kyle Karsjen
ETO: Steve Warren

Region 2 Planner: Tracey Epps
ETO: John Halbrook

Region 3 Planner: Paul Sadler
ETO: John Halbrook


Region 4 Planner: Jim Marwedel
ETO: Steve Warren

Region 5 Planner: Janet Riley
ETO: John Halbrook

Region 6 Planner: Jack Briggs
ETO: Steve Warren




FirstNet Broadband Sub-Committee

- Meets Monthly
 - Vertical Asset Inventory Study -in progress
 - Public/Private/Partnership Summit Committee-in progress
 - Office of the CIO and Director of ICN Chair-Co Chair.
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FIRSTNET INITIAL CONSULTATION

- Iowa 7th State
 - November 18th, 2014 Embassy Suites
 - Round Table discussion on the facts about FIRSTNET
 - Coverage requirements
 - Disasters in Iowa
 - Priority in Iowa on the Network
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OPT in or OPT Out

- Each State must make a decision to OPT in or OPT out, by Law
- OPT in , FIRSTNET handles the RFP and builds the Network with input from the State
- OPT out , each state will build their own network, conforming to all the standards of FIRSTNET
- Must have a plan in place in 120 days from decision to OPT OUT.



AS OF TODAY

- No decision has been made to opt in or opt in or opt out.
- Several more consultation meetings will be held in Iowa to help make that decision
- Infrastructure assessment is taking place now by the FIRSTNET Broadband Sub Committee