



PIMA COUNTY WIRELESS INTEGRATED NETWORK

PUTTING PIMA COUNTY IN A BETTER STATE OF COMMUNICATION



PROJECT STATUS REPORT MAY 15, 2009

PCWIN MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of PCWIN is to design, procure, deploy, and operate a regional public safety voice communications network; improve public safety interoperability; and to design, construct and operate a regional communications center.

The Project Status Report is a monthly publication, intended to keep project stakeholders, executives/officials, and representatives apprised of important activities, project meeting schedules, procurement updates, and other relevant information for those unable to attend monthly PCWIN meetings. The Status Report will be distributed to agency executives/officials, via email, and posted on the PCWIN website at www.bonds.pima.gov/wireless/index.htm.

COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Citizen's Bond Advisory Committee Meeting

- August 28, 2009, 8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
Randolph Golf Course Club House, Copper Room
600 S. Alvernon Way, Tucson
- www.bonds.pima.gov

Executive Management Committee (EMC)

- May 28, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.
Pima County Sheriff's Department
Administration Building, 3rd Floor
1750 E. Benson Highway, Tucson

User and Technical Committees

- May 28, 2009, 1:00 p.m.
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PCWIN Website

- www.bonds.pima.gov/wireless/index.htm

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The Staff Office would like to welcome our newest Committee Appointments to PCWIN:

User Committee

Mr. Jim Long, representing the Northwest Fire District, was appointed to the User Committee on March 26, 2009.

Chief David Tibbett, representing the Ajo/Gibson Volunteer Fire Department, was appointed to the User Committee on March 26, 2009.

Technical Committee

Mr. Larry Sayers, representing the Pima County Wireless Services, was re-elected Technical Committee Chairman on March 31, 2009.

Mr. Mike Bullock, representing the Tucson General Services Department, was appointed to the Technical Committee on March 26, 2009.

VOICE RADIO PROCUREMENT

Final terms and conditions of the contract language are being developed and moving forward.

CONNECTIVITY PROCUREMENT

Proposals were received on May 13, 2009. Proposal presentations are scheduled to begin July 7, 2009.

REGIONAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & OPERATIONS CENTER

ARCHITECTURAL PLANNING

Durrant & Smithgroup

Tier Two Services, which includes schematic design, is scheduled to begin in June 2009. Pima County Facilities Management is preparing a questionnaire for future tenants to document minimum operational requirements before the County completes the scope of work for Tier Two Services.

TACTICAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS PLAN (TICP) & STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES (SOP)

On April 23-24, 2009, consultants from AECOM facilitated a discussion with an Ad Hoc workgroup to continue TICP and SOP development. Training exercises will be created once the SOPs have begun. The exercises will outline steps to take when using TICP procedures.

As you may recall, Staff received \$194,000 to hire consulting services to write a TICP, SOP templates, and create a training exercise for PCWIN.

AECOM/CTA met with stakeholders, including state and federal agencies, to gather information on each agency's interoperable communications policies and capabilities to incorporate in the final TICP.

Agency worksheets are available, electronically, and can still be returned to AECOM to incorporate into the final TICP. Please contact the PCWIN Staff Office for additional worksheets. Completed information can be forwarded to AECOM, attention Ms. Krasna Svoboda, at krasna.svoboda@aecom.com.

Deliverables

- A *draft* SOP is due June 9, 2009
- The *final* TICP is due July 1, 2009
- Both documents are due July 31, 2009
- Grant expires August 2009

The success of these deliverables depends upon agency input and support. Please contact Lt. Mike Sacco at mike.sacco@sheriff.pima.gov, if you have questions regarding the TICP or SOP, or would like to receive a copy of the draft TICP for review.

PROJECT PRIORITIES

Several activities will now begin to facilitate project implementation:

Business Plan Revision

The PCWIN Business Plan was originally developed around conceptual designs and estimated costs. The plan will be updated to reflect specific design and cost details obtained in the procurement process. The revision will help to set expectations for annual subscriber costs based on actual known costs, allowing agencies to evaluate their future participation in the project prior to completing their IGAs.

Asset Reutilization

One of the objectives of the project was to minimize cost by making reuse of existing assets and facilities where possible. The vendor community proposed designs that, to a large extent, met the objective. It is now the responsibility of the County to obtain permission to reuse assets and facilities of other jurisdictions. A Master Site Sharing Agreement has been drafted to facilitate sharing of antenna sites. Assets of the City of Tucson, Town of Marana, and the Tohono O'odham Nation are particularly important to the system design. Development of new antenna sites in the proposed system design is minimized through this approach.

Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs)

The Bond Implementation Plan and the PCWIN Business Plan require IGAs between Pima County and the individual participating agencies. The agreements are necessary to define agency participation, the level of services to be provided by the County, and the cost for the services. The agreements will help further refine the total number of subscriber units to be purchased, as a result, the budgetary requirement.

GRANT PROJECTS

2009 Assistance to Firefighters Grant

- Application will be submitted by May 20, 2009, to support mobile and portable radio purchases for fire agencies
- Grant requires a 20% match in funding
- Award notices are expected by July 2009