### **Users and Coverage**

# Initial Consultation Meeting with the State of Nevada







### **Users and Coverage Goals**



- 1. First Responder Users / Operations
  - Identify potential user base and their operational areas
  - Estimate current usage of mobile data today
- 2. Coverage
  - ☐ Review FirstNet Initial Coverage Objectives
  - Discuss State Inputs and Approach to Objectives
  - ☐ Discuss Coverage Modeling and Desired Outputs

### Key Inputs to FirstNet Design



# Coverage

#### Where?

- Where Needed (Objectives)
- Different Device Types
- Throughput levels

# Capacity

#### **How Much?**

- # of Users and Devices
- Application Usage
- Data Consumption

#### **FirstNet Financial Team**

- RFP Development/Evaluation
- Economic Modeling



#### FirstNet Engineering Team

- RFP Development/Evaluation
- Core, RAN and Devices

# Guiding Principles for Data Requests



- Critical Data: only gather critically essential data
- When Needed: collect data close to when it will be used to ensure accuracy
- <u>Pre-populate</u>: where possible, FirstNet will collect as much data as possible from available sources for editing and validation
- <u>Specify Deliverables</u>: identify required deliverable formats, not necessarily specific tools and processes
- <u>Be Flexible</u>: allow flexibility given different stakeholders' existing use of tools, processes and resource constraints
- Get Feedback: socialize the process before formalizing
- Advance Notice: identify schedule, process and tools as early as possible for stakeholders to plan accordingly
- <u>Local Knowledge</u>: rely on stakeholder knowledge to help prioritize data collection

### **Users / Operations Overview**



Estimated Total			
Disc.	# Agencies	# of Users	
LE	250	15,000	
Fire	300	20,000	
EMS	125	5,000	
Other	500	50,000	

# of Agencies and Users
(Just Example Totals)

**From Samples** 

LE: 1.5

Fire: 1.0

**EMS: 2.0** 

Other: 1.5

Device per User Factor\*

Estimated Total

LE: 22,500

Fire: 20,000

EMS: 10,000

Other: 75,000

# of Potential
Devices

**From Samples** 

Voice, Video,
Data Usage
Profile
Profile

Usage Profile (where available)

Profile



**Location and Amount of Responses** (where available)

= > Inputs to RAN Design representative of Public Safety Operations

Who does Nevada consider to be eligible users?
What kind of assessment has been done on the potential user base?

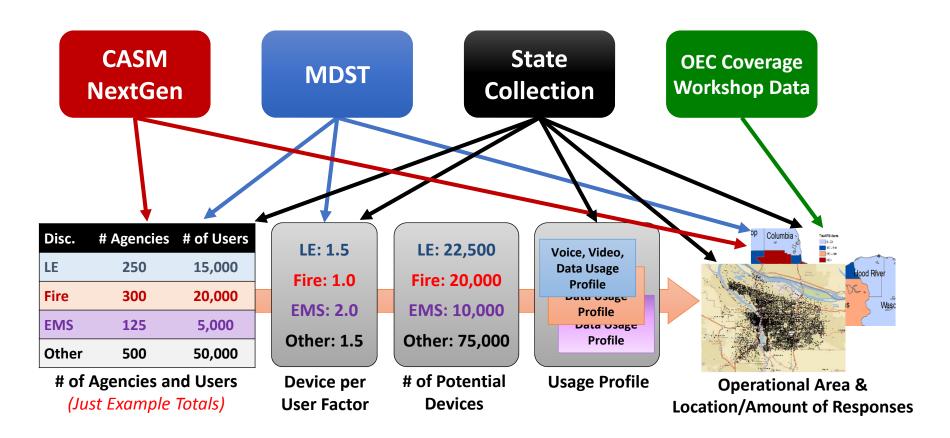
Current provider? Device types and counts? Procurement options and vehicles? Typical costs? Current usage amounts? Growth projections? Operational areas? Potential adoption?

<sup>\*</sup>Several inputs: current usage, adoption rate, growth projections, new devices, etc.

### **Users / Operations Collection**



**CASM NextGen** – Communications Assets Survey and Mapping Next Generation **MDST** – Mobile Data Survey Tool

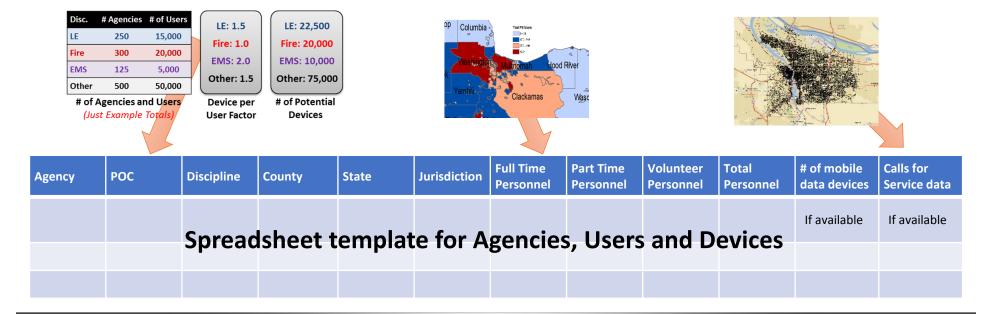


<sup>\*</sup>In the absence of any of this data, FirstNet will use baseline assumptions and estimates

### **Users / Operations Collection**



- FirstNet will provide a spreadsheet template defining requested fields (similar to example below)
- CASM NextGen could support this type of data capture and reporting
- State may already have existing database and/or tools for use
- FirstNet looking at comprehensive tool to support all data uploads



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### **Users / Operations Collection**



- Usage profiles will include important information on how public safety entities may use FirstNet
- Historic use is also helpful to show growth trends
- Important metrics include:
  - Number of responders and devices
  - Type of responders (discipline)
  - Location of responders
  - Variability by incident types and scale
  - Upload vs. Download
  - Data usage by application
  - Time data sent
- Data can be averaged by:
  - Discipline
  - Area
  - Incident types
- Leverage same upload portal mentioned previously

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**Usage Profile** 

### Law Enforcement User (Busy Hour):

xxx kbps SMS/text xxx kbps voice calls xxx kbps video xxx kbps other data xxx kbps total usage

Has any analysis like this been done already?

Could information like this be gathered from representative agencies?

### **Current Providers / Procurement**



- Capture current service providers
  - Commercial and Private
- Identify major procurement vehicles / options
- Identify different service plan types and costs
- Capture any specialized services
  - COLTs/COWs, network interfaces/customization, etc.
- Identify current barriers





# Users / Operations Collection Summary



Data Type	FirstNet Use	<b>Deliverable Format</b>	Possible Resources
# of Agencies and Users	Estimate total number of potential FirstNet users	Excel file (FirstNet template)	Statewide database, CASM, Commercial sources, gov't & association census
Device per User Factor	Factor to estimate number of potential devices on the network	Excel Table (FirstNet template)	Statewide survey, MDST
# of Potential Devices	Estimate of potential devices for technical design and economic model inputs	Excel Table (FirstNet template)	Samples from agency surveys, calculate from agency/user counts
Usage Profiles (where available)	Technical design input to estimate how public safety may use the network	Excel Table (FirstNet template)	Commercial tools
Operational Areas	Identifies where public safety needs coverage; capacity input	GIS maps and/or from Agency File	Agency jurisdiction (city, county, state, etc.), State/local GIS offices
Location/Amount of Responses (where available)	More precise inputs to operational area	Excel files (FirstNet template)	Participating agencies
Current Providers / Procurement	Identify current service plans, procurement methods and potential procurement restrictions	Excel Table (FirstNet template)	Statewide survey, MDST

### **Coverage Objectives**



# Coverage Objectives vs. Coverage Maps



#### What is a Coverage Objective?

Targeted areas within a state/territory identifying where FirstNet coverage is projected to be needed

#### What is a Coverage Map?

A predicted coverage footprint showing where devices can reliably communicate with each other above a minimum data rate

**Coverage Objectives are NOT Coverage Maps** 

# FirstNet's Coverage Objective Goals



- GOAL: Come up with a consistent, nationwide <u>starting point</u> to objectively identify Public Safety's coverage desires
- 1. Set a FirstNet Nationwide Coverage Objective Baseline
  - ☐ Identify initial coverage objectives relevant to Public Safety's desires
  - ☐ Develop a systematic, consistent and objective approach applied nationwide
  - ☐ Leverage feedback from OEC's Coverage Workshops
  - ☐ Generate maps to document the starting point
- 2. Facilitate coverage discussion for a phased build out
  - ☐ Include additional data to tailor needs for each state
  - Modify based on stakeholder input and feedback
- 3. Generate coverage maps based on culmination of acquisition process

FirstNet Envisions Continued Discussion and Revisions on Coverage Beyond Delivery of a State Plan

### **Starting Coverage Objectives Data**



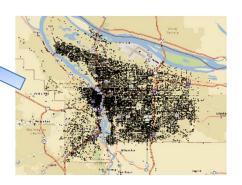
- 1. Public Safety User Population (Source: HSIP, OEC provided)
  - Public Safety User Density based on jurisdiction (OEC data to start)
  - Common response areas (CAD data) as it's made available with State collection
- 2. Public Safety High Risk / Areas of Interest (Source: HSIP)
  - Key facilities PS agencies, corrections, airports, EOCs, hospitals, PSAPs, schools, etc.
  - Critical infrastructure manufacturing , energy, dams, etc.
  - Large Public Venues stadiums, theme parks, malls
  - Other major event locations if provided with initial consultation submission
  - \*Area for feedback tourist/recreational destinations (parks, hiking, waterways, etc.)



- Population density
- 4. Developed Areas / Buildings (Source: 2006 National Land Cover Database)
  - Dense / Medium / Light / Open / None
- **5. Roadways** (Source: Federal Highway Administration)
  - National Highway System
  - Average Daily Traffic Counts to identify significant secondary roadways
- 6. Tribal Land
- 7. Rural Metrics
- 8. Federal Land



These will be incorporated with additional considerations (i.e. FirstNet Rural milestones) or via separate consultation (i.e. Federal)

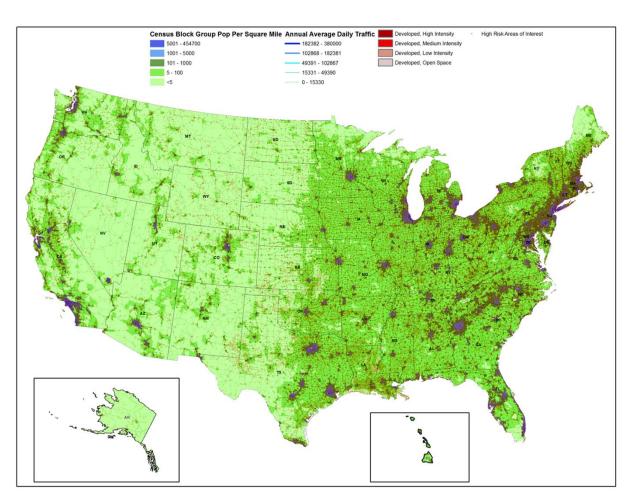


## Nationwide Approach



- 1. Employee count of L.E., Fire, EMS agencies
- 2. Public Safety High Risk / Areas of Interest
- 3. US Population
- 4. Developed Areas / Buildings
- 5. Roadways / Avg. Daily Traffic

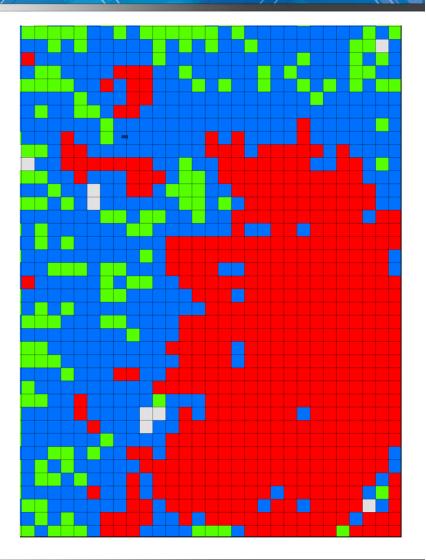
**Resulting Combined Map =>** 



# Converting Data into Coverage Objectives

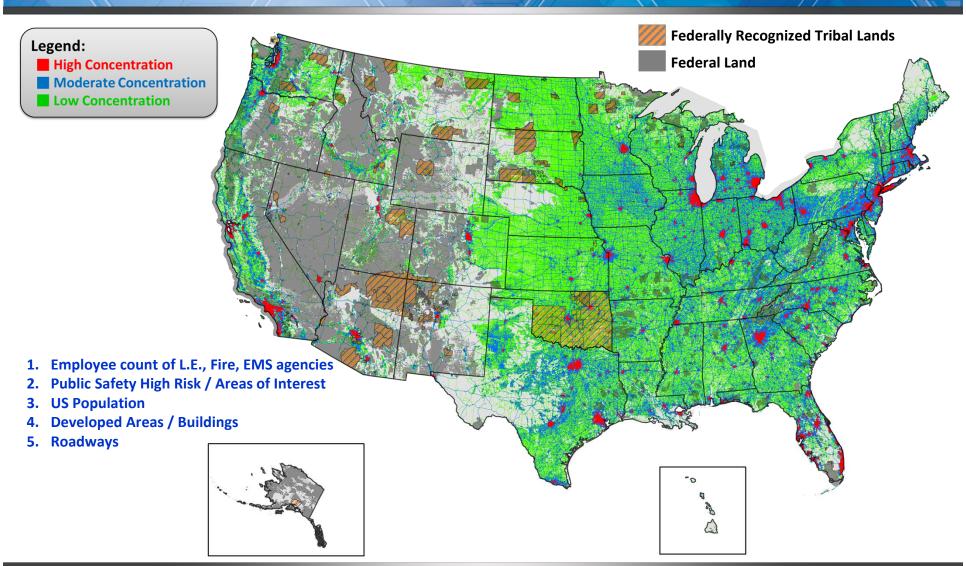


- 1. Employee count of L.E., Fire, EMS agencies
- 2. Public Safety High Risk / Areas of Interest
- 3. US Population
- 4. Developed Areas / Buildings
- 5. Roadways
- A lot of data in different formats
  - Points, lines, polygons, etc.
- To evaluate these broad datasets, applied a 1x1 mile grid for uniformity
- Evaluated all data by grid to:
  - 1) Identify areas that had data of interest to PS
  - 2) Show concentration areas



### Nationwide Coverage Objective





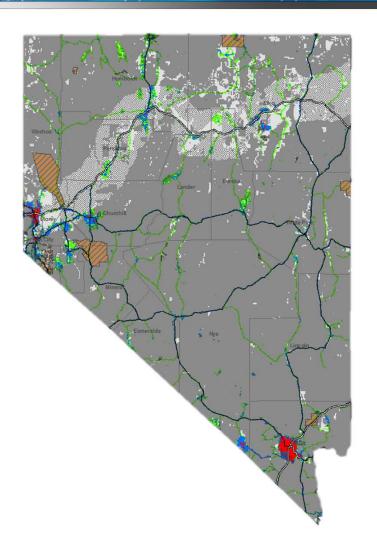
### Results for Nevada



- 1. Employee count of L.E., Fire, EMS agencies
- 2. Public Safety High Risk / Areas of Interest
- 3. US Population
- 4. Developed Areas / Buildings
- 5. Roadways

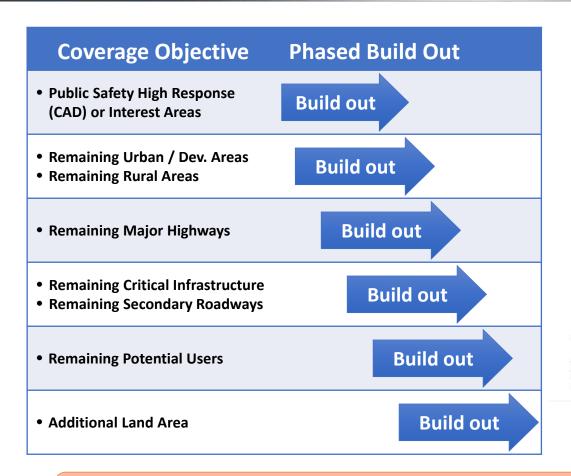
#### Legend:

- High Concentration
- **■** Moderate Concentration
- Low Concentration
- Federally Recognized Tribal Lands
- Federal Land

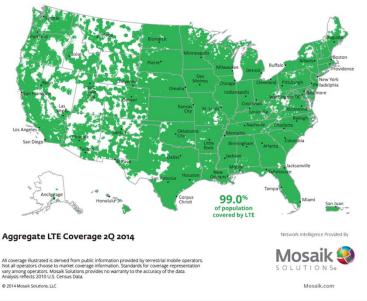


## How Should FirstNet Phase a Build Out?





### Commercial LTE Build Out 2010-2014

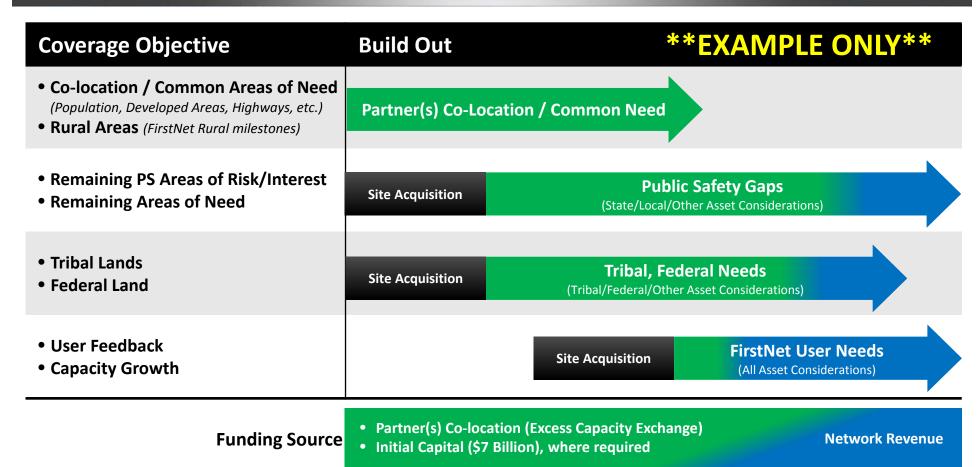


What would a phased FirstNet build out look like in Nevada? What decision factors would you consider?

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# Adjusting to Other Deployment Considerations





Proposed build out will be refined after RFP Award, ongoing discussion and additional build out considerations and tradeoffs

## **Coverage Modeling**



### **Coverage Modeling Overview**



- Coverage Objectives will be an input to modeling tools
- FirstNet has selected a coverage modeling tool
  - Used worldwide for LTE modeling
  - Granular dataset (terrain and land use)
    - o 30 meter in rural
    - o 10 meter in metro areas
    - 5 meter in dense urban (3D buildings)



- o Tailored for land area type (urban, dense urban, rural, etc.)
- Tuned with drive test data for different regions of country
- FirstNet intends to discuss coverage parameters and assumptions for our predictions



### **Coverage Modeling Viewing**



- By Device Type (for example)
  - □ Handheld
  - Vehicular (low power)
  - □ Vehicular (high power)

- By Data Rate (for example)
  - □ >1 Mbps (Video, web, email, etc.)
  - >512 kbps (Low-res video, web, email, etc.)
- >256 kbps (web, email, SMS, etc.)
- Provide results by layers in an interactive map to:
  - Zoom to areas of interest
  - View by device(s)
  - View by data rate(s)
- From Draft RFI/SOO: "...throughput >256kbps > 95% of time..."

How would you like to see proposed coverage?

By device type and/or data rate?

# Users and Coverage Wrap-up



### Summary

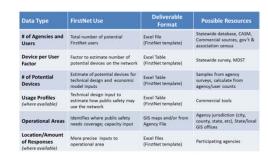


- Identifying the potential user base and their current use of mobile data is important
  - Both Engineering and Financial needs
- Identifying coverage needs and a potential phased build out is also important
  - RFP Evaluation and Eventual Build Out
- Coverage will be an ongoing discussion throughout consultation and into network deployment

### Call to Action... Next Steps



- Continued Outreach and Education
- Potential Users and Operations
  - Estimate current potential user base
  - Identify Operational Areas
  - Estimate current usage of mobile data
- Coverage Objectives
  - Identify coverage objectives
  - Provide a phased build out approach





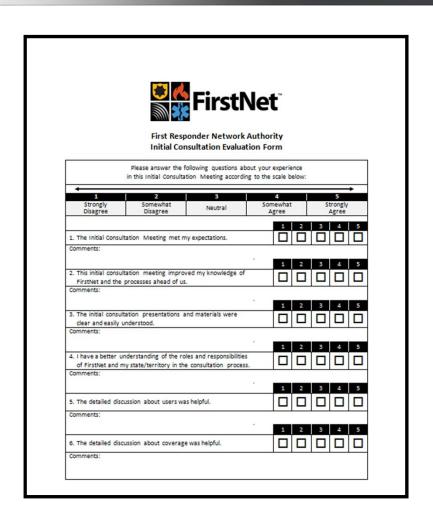
### **Meeting Evaluation**



We want to hear from you!

- How was the meeting?
- What did you like?
- What can we improve?

Please provide us with your valuable feedback by completing your evaluation.



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