2019 SIEC MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT

Since 2008, the Statewide Interoperability Executive Subcommittee (SIEC) has served as the governing body, under the Louisiana Unified Command Group, that oversees interoperable communications efforts in the State. It consists of representatives from all nine GOHSEP Regions, key State agencies, and all first responder disciplines. Engagement with our local responders is fostered through the work of this Committee, its members and GOHSEP. They assist with strategic decision making, training and exercise coordination, and issue identification and resolution. Take a moment to visit the SIEC website and learn more about our meetings, and Advisory Committees. Below are the 2019 SIEC Members.

CHAIRMAN

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Lafayette Consolidated
Government Fire Department

LOUISIANA DIVISION OF
ADMINISTRATION

Neal Underwood
Deputy Chief Information Officer

2019 SIEC MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT, *continued*

ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC-SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICIALS (APCO)

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Lafayette Parish Communications District
(Ret.)

LOUISIANA AMBULANCE ALLIANCE

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Louisiana Ambulance Alliance

REGION 1 REPRESENTATIVE

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Information Technology &
Telecommunications Director
Jefferson Parish Government
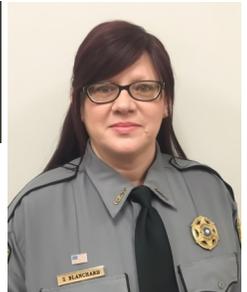
REGION 2 REPRESENTATIVE

Billie Metz Giroir (DPTY)
Chief Civil Deputy
West Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office

REGION 3 REPRESENTATIVE

Conrad Baker (LT)
Technology/911 Operations Center
Senior Commander
St. John Parish Sheriff's Office

REGION 4 REPRESENTATIVE

Stacey Blanchard (CPT)
Assistant Director OHSEP
St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office

REGION 5 REPRESENTATIVE

Richard McGuire
Executive Director
Calcasieu Parish Communications District

REGION 7 REPRESENTATIVE

Doyle Dempsey (MAJ)
Support Bureau/Asset Management
Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office

REGION 8 REPRESENTATIVE

Robert "Bobby" Moore
Fire Services & Supply Technician
Ouachita Parish Fire Department

REGION 9 REPRESENTATIVE

Michael "Mike" Moore (SGT)
Canine & Patrol Division
Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office

Alan Dunn (MAJ)
Not Pictured

LOUISIANA NATIONAL GUARD

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Vacant

MISSON CRITICAL

It's Mardi Gras Ya'll!

As so many of our communities are preparing for Mardi Gras balls, parades and revelries of all sorts, or planning for spring festivals, we wanted to take a moment and spotlight a community that practices great Communications Planning for Special Events, New Orleans OHSEP.

New Orleans OHSEP's Communications Lead is Adam Brickeen. Adam is responsible for coordinating all multiagency ICS 205 Communications Forms. Adam believes the value of a coordinated planning effort during special events is critical to achieving interoperable and operational communications for the event; however, "the greater long-term benefit is we build skills, exercise through implementation and continually build awareness during blue skies. Our incident communications planning and interoperability prove it."

LWIN was built and exists to support operational communications that are interoperable! Having a statewide system provides Louisiana LWIN agencies a head start on interoperability, if you've programmed properly. The SIEC established minimum programming standards for LWIN agencies, creating a backbone of interoperability for our First Responder community. Please take a moment to check out the **SIEC policies** and especially ***Policy #3, Interoperable Channels & Talkgroups Policy.***

For information on Incident Radio Communications Plans (ICS 205), visit the FEMA Website: (https://www.fema.gov/th/media-library/assets/documents/33524)

TRAINING & EXERCISE

♦ **2019 Statewide Exercise (SWEx): April 2nd - 6th**

♦ **2019 Louisiana DHS Emergency Communications Division Trainings (Dates to be Determined): Communications Unit Leader (COML), Communications Technician (COMT), and Auxiliary Communications (AUXComm).**

For more training and exercise information, visit

GOHSEP Training, Education, Outreach, Events and Exercises

LMR (LAND MOBILE RADIO)

Your EPTT may not meet policy standards. Know <u>Before</u> You Purchase!

Did you know there are several policies that govern LWIN use, access, and protocols on patching connections? Several vendor options are available today to enhance your communications capabilities. For instance, with the advent of FirstNet and Enhanced Push To Talk (EPTT) applications, agencies are looking into how best to take advantage of these. Please make sure to take into consideration that these are only recognized for "Non-Mission Critical" communications. If you are considering the purchase of any Radio Over Internet Protocol (ROIP) connections, take a moment to review SIEC Policy Number 006: Network Patching, and consult with LSP Radio Communications, prior to any purchase. **SIEC Policy Number 006: Network Patching Policy**
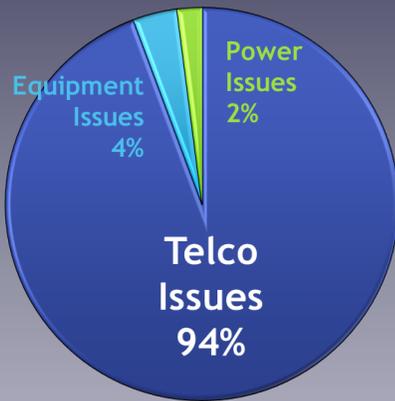
WELCOME TO LWIN

- **JEAN LAFITTE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**
- **MEDLIFE EMS**

LWIN SYSTEM STATS

99,257 SUBSCRIBERS

137 TOWER SITES   6 MOBILE SITE   577 AGENCIES
1,242 CHANNELS   6,187 TALKGROUPS   190 SECURITY GROUPS
OCT 2018: 13,282,336 PTT

What were the issues?

Power Issues 2%
Equipment Issues 4%
Telco Issues 94%

% IN WIDE AREA OPERATIONS

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	AVERAGE TIME
99.86%	99.81%	99.88%	99.85%

Site Outages
Total Downtime for the Quarter is 448 Hours

Roseland	Boothville	Dequincy	Minden	Jennings
Oak Grove	Houma	Sage Hill	Arsene Leblue	Sheridan
Tallulah	Scott	Iberville	Natchitoches	Sulphur
Chase	Ruston	Bellevue	Vinton	Calvin
Anacoco	Dry Creek	Jena	Moss Bluff	Rockefeller
St. James	E. Jennings	Abbeville	Hagewood	
Newellton	Theriot	Larose	Wilmer	

19-Q1 STR TO GTR SCHEDULE
- **FEB: St. James, Gray**
- **MAR: St. Rolalie, Sheridan, and Houma**

TOP VOICE BUSY
- **Abbeville 103**
- **Gray 47**
- **Vinton 19**

NEWSLETTER

"On-Air" FirstNet Tower Sites

Parish	Location	City
Ascension	Lamar Dixon	Geismar
Ascension	Industriplex Avenue	Gonzales
Ascension	Highway 74	Geismar
Avoyelles	Marksville Downtown	Marksville
Beauregard	Bundick Circle	Deridder
Beauregard	Moses	Deridder
Bienville	Oscar C. Rushing	Saline
Bossier	Princeton	Haughton
Caddo	Belcher	Oil City
Calcasieu	Pete Seay Road	Sulphur
De Soto	Jordan	Mansfield
East Baton Rouge	Burbank	Baton Rouge
East Baton Rouge	Exxon Mobil	Baton Rouge
East Baton Rouge	Zachary Crossroads	Zachary
East Baton Rouge	LSU Vet School	Baton Rouge
East Carroll	Jack Falls Bayou	Lake Providence
Franklin	Dennis Booth Road	Wisner
Franklin	Highway 572	Gilbert
Franklin	Mabry	Wisner
Iberia	Independent	New Iberia
Iberville	Ferdinand	Plaquemine
Jefferson	Joe Yenni	Kenner
Lafayette	Les Vieux Chenes	Youngsville
Lafourche	Nicholls University	Thibodaux
Natchitoches	Chestnut	Saline
Natchitoches	Ashland	Ashland
Natchitoches	Highway 487	Marthaville
Natchitoches	Kisatchie Mora Road	Mora
Natchitoches	Hicks	Marthaville
Orleans	Turchin	New Orleans
Ouachita	Calypso Street	Monroe
Ouachita	2nd Street	Monroe
Plaquemines	Phoenix Relo	Port Sulphur
Rapides	Paradise	Pineville
Rapides	Giamanco St	Alexandria
Rapides	Flatwoods	Flatwoods
Sabine	Rock Hill	Noble
Sabine	Highway 118	Florien
Sabine	Highway 120	Zwolle
Saint Bernard	Lafitte Court	Chalmette
Saint Bernard	Judge Perez Drive	Chalmette
Saint Charles	Hahnville	Hahnville
Saint Martin	Cajun Palms	Breaux Bridge
Tangipahoa	Highway 16 & 51	Amite
Terrebonne	Olsen	Houma
Terrebonne	Highway 182	Houma
Vernon	Tanglewood	Anacoco
Vernon	Evans - Riley	Evans
Vernon	Simpson	Leesville
Vernon	Toro	Anacoco
Washington	Van Buren Street	Bogalusa

BROADBAND

FirstNet Capable Device and Sim Card

Most of our Louisiana Response Agencies have heard about FirstNet and Band 14. As you start implementation and begin migrating devices, whether your own or agency provided, please keep in mind you will need a **FirstNet Ready**™ device and a **FirstNet SIM** card to take advantage of **all** the benefits of FirstNet and Band14. A FirstNet Capable device will provide you the benefits of FirstNet but not Band14. For more device information see the FirstNet.com site or you can request support for your agency's move to FirstNet. Email us at FirstNet@la.gov to find out your Parish point of contact and get started on your FirstNet implementation.

Updates

SITES
54 NEW Cell Sites Activated
214 Band 14 Sites "On-Air"
Louisiana Deployable Colt staged

SUBSCRIBERS
301 Louisiana Agencies
13,542 Agency Paid Subscribers
3,578 Individually Paid (BYOD)

Beyond Priority and Preemption….

FirstNet Subscriber, Now What?

♦ The FirstNet Authority website has a Discipline Specific Resource section for great ideas and insights on how FirstNet can support your agencies objectives.

♦ Ready to add applications to your broadband portfolio? Look for applications that have been tested by the FirstNet Lab. These are standards-based mission critical function and features tested and are ready for the field! Check Mission Critical Communications' online webinar series beginning March 21st, as they review all "Apps for First Responders".

♦ Sign up for the FirstNet Authority Newsletter and stay informed of new developments.

♦ Community Resiliency and FirstNet.. "FirstNet Brings Tech Focus to Community Resiliency; Encourages Innovation for First Responders at CES2019."

Be sure to take a look at how FirstNet can support your daily mission, beyond priority and preemption!

FIRSTNET RESOURCES

FirstNet on YouTube
Discipline Specific Resources

FIRSTNET. Built with AT&T
FIRSTNET.COM

LOUISIANA FirstNet

FirstNet
FIRSNET.GOV

FirstNet.Louisiana.gov

911

Telecommunicator are vital partners in achieving interoperability and maintaining operable communications. Most incidents begin with your Telecommunicator (911 Dispatcher/ Call Taker) as a frontline partner in emergency communications.

Ensuring this capability is maintained should be part of preparedness and planning initiative(s). During incidents IMAC or EMAC may requests may be required to supplement or replace personnel. If so, Do you know about our TERT (Telecommunicator Emergency Response Taskforce)?
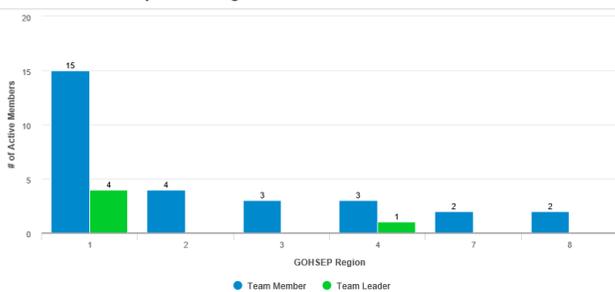
Louisiana's TERT Team is ready for mission deployment in support other states. Have you considered requesting this resource as an IMAC? Take a look and see how IMAC and EMAC may work for you, during the next disaster.

April 14th - 20th National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

ThanK YoU!

We wish to say, "Thank You for all you do!"

Active TERT Members by GOHSEP Region

BECOME A MEMBER OF LOUISIANA'S TERT TEAM

The Louisiana TERT Team is always looking for new members! Please visit their website and see how your department can become a partner in providing telecommunications support as a part of the Telecommunicator Emergency Response Taskforce.

Notes from the field.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
2019 LOUISIANA APCO/NENA SYMPOSIUM
APRIL 29-MAY 1ST
L'AUBERGE CASINO RESORT, LAKE CHARLES
CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

NG911 CLEARINGHOUSE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

At the last APCO/NENA meeting a new data rich public safety solution was presented. Check out RapidSOS for more information.

AUXCOMM

GOHSEP has launched a partnership with LSP Radio Communications to encourage and support AuxCom capabilities at the Parish level. There will be one day a month set aside to assist Parish OHSEPs with their AuxCom support requests. This will be the third (3rd) Thursday of each month. Requests will have to be submitted in advance and coordinated through the GOHSEP Interoperability office. For more information or to schedule, email Ami.Johnson@la.gov.

Stay Tuned for the 2019 State AUXCom SOP, all the information you need to communicate with SEOC AuxCom branch during activations.