# Office of Emergency Communications

Regional Coordination Program

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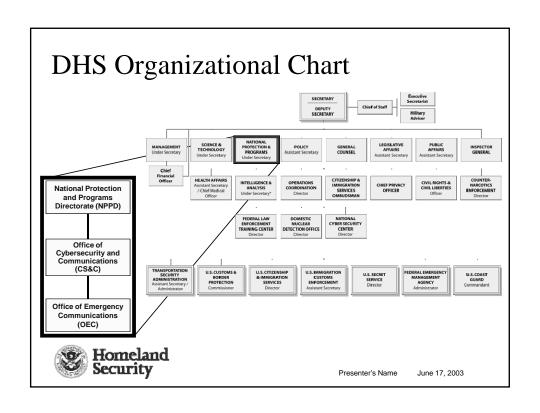
### Mission

OEC supports and promotes the ability of emergency responders and government officials to communicate in the event of natural disasters, acts of terrorism, or other man-made disasters, and works to ensure, accelerate, and attain interoperable and operable emergency communications nationwide.





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# Regional Coordination Program

The Regional Coordination Program supports the OEC mission by strengthening emergency communications capabilities across Federal, State, local, and tribal governments at the regional level through trusted relationships, collaboration, and knowledge sharing.





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## Regional Coordinator Roles

- Support the efforts of Federal/State/Local/Tribal to build and improve emergency communications capabilities across their regions.
- Provide OEC with feedback and assessment of emergency communications activities, accomplishments, issues, gaps, and constraints across the Nation.
- Successfully advocate for identified key OEC initiatives, programs, and activities.



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## OEC, FEMA, and NCS

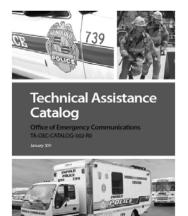
- OEC RCs collaborate and coordinate with State/Local/Tribal to improve their emergency communications capabilities and support NCS and FEMA in the Federal response to disasters.
- FEMA DEC RECCs provide Federal capabilities to support tactical response during a disaster.
- NCS Communications Liaisons provide Federal response and recovery of commercial communications infrastructure during a disaster.



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## **OEC** Activities



#### **NECP**

- Goal 1 and 2
- Documenting Capability
- Demonstrating Performance

#### **OEC Technical Assistance**

New Offerings

#### **Narrowband**

- Requirements
- Frequency Mapping Tool

#### **Project 25 (P25)**

Compliance Assessment Program

#### **Broadband**



## OEC Technical Assistance (2011)



#### Accepted for 1st Round of Delivery

 National Incident Management System (NIMS)/Incident Command System (ICS) Workshop

### Accepted for 2<sup>nd</sup> Round of Delivery

- All-Hazards Communications Unit Leader (COML) Exercise – Multi-State (TX)
- Communications-Focused Full-Scale Exercise (FSE) – Multi-State (TX)

### **Deferred TA Request**

- TICP Workshop
- All-Hazards Communications Unit Technician (COMT) Course



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# **Backup Slides**

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### **OEC** Technical Assistance

#### Most Requested Offerings - Top Ten

- 1. Communication Unit Leader (COML) Course
- 2. Interoperability Field Operations Guide (IFOG) Development
- 3. COML Train-the-Trainer
- 4. Standard Operating Procedures/Communications Plan Development
- 5. LMR System Analysis
- 6. LMR System Migration
- 7. TICP Workshop
- 8. Operational Communications Assessments
- 9. Communications-Focused Tabletop Exercise (TTX)
- 10. Audio Gateway Information and Training



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## **OEC** Technical Assistance

#### New or Revised Offerings

- 1. Follow-up Statewide Planning Workshop
- 2. Broadband Systems Support
- 3. VHF/UHF Narrow Banding
- 4. Response-Level Communications Workshop
- 5. All-Hazards Communications Unit Leader (COML) Exercise
- 6. Auxiliary Communications Workshop
- 7. Native American Public Safety Communications Needs
- 8. TICP Update Workshop
- 9. Communications Plan Analysis/Event Communications Plan Analysis
- 10. Public Safety Communications Center (PSCC) Planning and Operations
- 11. All-Hazards Communications Unit Technician (COMT) Course
- 12. Introduction to Interoperable Radio Operations
- 13. Principles of Interoperability and the National Interoperability Field Operations Guide (NIFOG)
- $14. \ \ Regional\ Communications\ Enhancement\ Support\ --\ Strategic\ Communications\ Migration\ Plan\ (SCMP)$



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## Narrowbanding Requirements

Private Land Mobile Radio Systems operating below 512 MHz

# Beginning January 1, 2011, the Commission will no longer accept applications for:

- New wideband 25 kHz (i.e., operating with only one voice path per 25 kHz of spectrum) operations
- Modification of existing wideband 25 kHz stations that expands the authorized interference contour

# By January 1, 2013, Industrial/Business and Public Safety Radio licensees must:

- Operate on 12.5 kHz or
- Employ a technology that achieves the narrowband equivalent of one voice channel per 12.5 kHz of channel bandwidth or 4800 bits per second per 6.25 kHz for data traffic



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