SREC POLICY 601-2 POL

OUTSIDE AGENCY PARTICIPATION IN SREC RADIO SYSTEM

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This policy applies to all users of the SREC radio system

GENERAL INFORMATION

The purpose of this policy is to establish the procedure for an eligible outside agency, such as a State or Federal agency, an adjoining County, an Emergency Medical Service (EMS) provider, or a special purpose government agency to apply for full participation in the SREC county-wide radio system.

Generally, there are two ways to participate in the county-wide system, full participation and limited participation through interoperability agreements. Limited participation for interoperability is possible by those agencies operating in the VHF or UHF bands.

Agencies requesting participation shall be prepared to purchase, negotiate a lease agreement, or already own radios approved by SREC. In addition, participation could require the purchase and installation of additional equipment compatible with the existing system.

All agencies eligible to join the county-wide system shall do so in accordance with the policies, standards, and procedures as put forth in this manual. Operational plans shall be consistent with established standards.

Requests for access to the Spokane county-wide radio system shall be submitted in writing to the Technical Services Manager, who will forward the request to all required parties for approval. The request will include a full explanation of the expected use of the talkgroups requested and a justification of the same. The Technical Services Manager and the Radio System Administrator will review the request and operational plan for compliance and compatibility with the radio system. The Radio System Administrator will work with the requester to resolve any concerns.

Upon completion of the review, the Technical Services Manager will make a recommendation to the SREC Executive Director who will take the request to the SREC Governing Board for a vote.