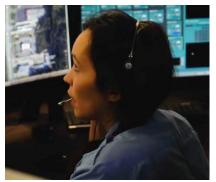


First Responder Network Authority

Combined Board and Committees Meeting











# Welcome



Renee Gordon
Acting Board Chair

## **Combined Board and Committees Meeting Agenda**



Time	Topic
9:30 – 9:35 a.m.	Acting Board Chair Convenes Combined Board and Committees Meeting
9:35 – 9:50 a.m.	Introduction of New FirstNet Authority and NTIA Leadership
9:50 – 10:00 a.m.	Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) Update
10:00 – 10:05 a.m.	Advocacy Committee Update
10:05 – 10:10 a.m.	Finance & Investment Committee Update
10:10 – 10:15 a.m.	Programs & Future Planning Committee Update
10:15 – 10:25 a.m.	Closing Remarks
10:25 – 10:30 a.m.	Vote to Adjourn



# Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) Update



**Assistant Chief Christopher Lombard**PSAC Chair

## **PSAC Accomplishments**

### **Bi-Monthly Virtual Meeting**

- April 2025 meeting topics included:
  - Isolated Operations for Public Safety (IOPS)
  - Network Experience
  - Emergency Management Guide

### **Tribal Advisory Group**

- Hosted in-person meeting concurrent with March Board meeting
- Continue collaborating on national and regional tribal association outreach









## **PSAC / Tribal Advisory Group Look Ahead**



### **Continued Engagement**

- June 2025: PSAC in-person meeting
- Bi-monthly virtual meetings
- Ad hoc working group meetings
- Monthly Tribal Advisory Group meetings

#### **Focus Areas**

- Investment discussions related to coverage enhancement and network evolution (e.g., PTT, location-based services)
- Advocacy in support of the FirstNet Authority's mission
- Collaboration opportunities with FirstNet Authority Board within the respective associations and/or jurisdictions served
- Tribal Advisory Group development of briefing materials geared toward tribal councils







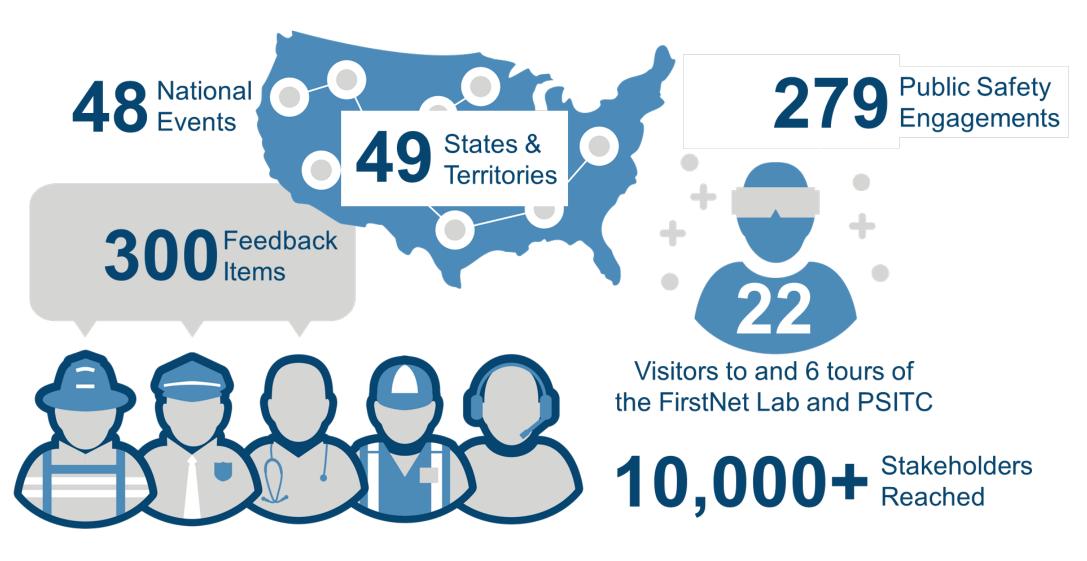
# **Advocacy Committee Update**



Chief Trisha L. Wolford
Advocacy Committee Chair

## FY2025 Quarter 2 Public Safety Engagement Accomplishments













## **Public Safety Engagement Highlights**





#### **National** Fire and EMS **Conferences**



- Participated in multiple national fire service and EMS conferences, including Fire-Rescue Med. Community Risk Reduction, and National Volunteer Fire Council
- Held fruitful discussions with association leadership and stakeholders at all levels of government
- Hosted booths to demonstrate FirstNet capabilities and solicit stakeholder feedback



#### **Police** Week

- **Attended National Police** Week activities in Washington, D.C. to remember and honor fallen responders
- Engaged with national, state, and local law enforcement leaders on key broadband topics (e.g., push-to-talk, coverage needs), as appropriate





- Participated in key hurricane preparedness events, including the National Hurricane Conference and Coastal Bend Hurricane Conference
- Engaged local, state, and federal responders and policy makers, voluntary organizations, healthcare, private business, and industry representatives
- Presented on various topics, including deployables and FirstNet Authority coverage investment strategy

## **Coverage Enhancement Workshops**



#### South Dakota (Q2)

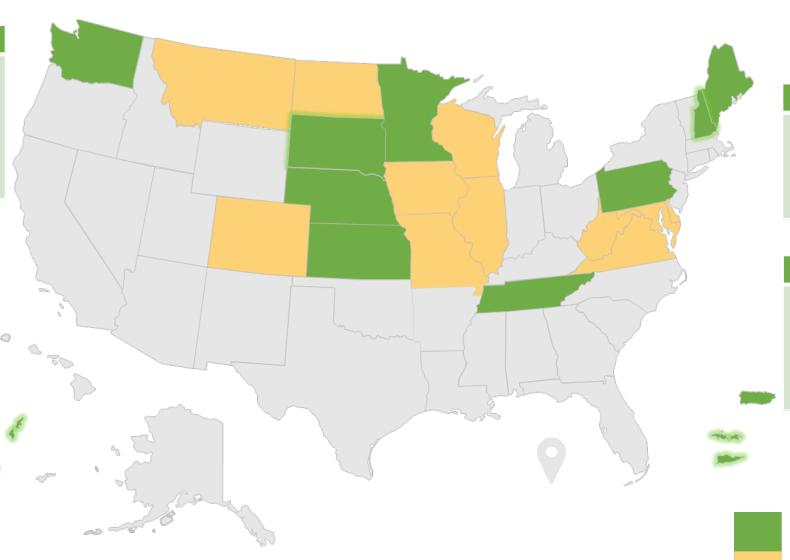
- Attendees focused on the need for coverage in the "white spaces"
- Challenged model's emphasis on crowdsource density
- Noted seasonal variations in cellular use

#### CNMI (Q2)

Participants provided feedback on FirstNet Authority areas of interest (AOI) and identified two other areas based on known coverage gaps

#### Guam (Q2)

Attendees identified two additional AOIs based on public safety needs



#### **New Hampshire (Q1)**

- State came prepared with its own AOIs
- Identified key gaps along international border

#### US Virgin Islands (Q3)

Participants identified coverage gaps and challenges across all three islands, including in-building, macro, and maritime coverage

Complete

Planned for Q3/Q4



# Finance and Investment Committee Update

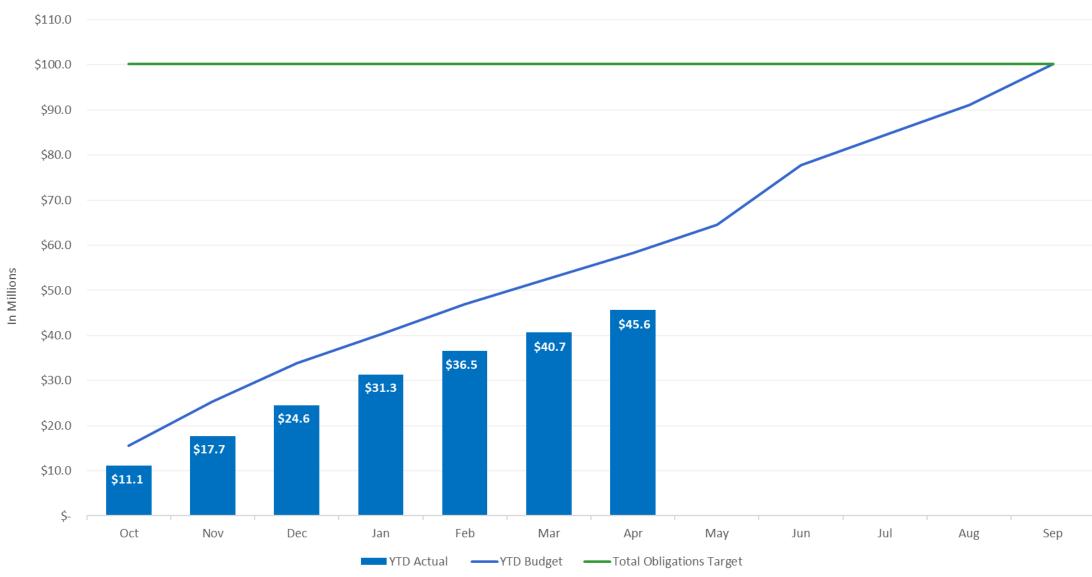


**Sean McDevitt** 

Finance and Investment Committee Chair

## 2025 April Cumulative Operations Budget Execution







# Programs and Future Planning Committee Update



**Rasheid Scarlett** 

Programs and Future Planning Committee Chair

## **Programs and Future Planning**





**Adoption & Usage** 

7M+ connections



**5G + LEO** 

Deployable upgrades with Low Earth Orbit retrofit



# 5G Standalone (SA) Core

Preparing for launch of 5G SA Core



#### **BTTR Focus**

Driven by public safety, focus on borders, tribal, territorial, and rural geographies



# Hurricane Preparations

Mobilizing and staging assets in preparation



## FirstNet Central Enhancements

Network outages, uplift tool, and account management



1,000

Band 14 new site builds in 2024 and 2025



# **5G Advanced and 6G Standards**

Advanced capabilities



# Mission Critical Services

Ecosystem expansion, inter-working function



#### **In-building**

Enhanced coverage where responders operate



#### **Innovation Trials**

Air to Ground, Maritime, and Artificial Intelligence



# **Closing Remarks**

# Thank You

