MARIN EMERGENCY RADIO AUTHORITY

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TO: MERA Executive Board

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SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM **A-1:** PROPOSED AMENDED AND RESTATED

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE MARIN EMERGENCY RADIO AUHORITY AND THE

COUNTY OF MARIN IN SUPPORT OF THE NEXT GENERATION RADIO SYSTEM

<u>Recommended Action</u>: Recommend the Proposed Amended and Restated Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") by and between the Marin Emergency Radio Authority and the County of Marin in Support of the Next Generation Radio System.

<u>Background</u>: The original MOU in support of the Next Generation Radio System was approved by the Governing Board on December 11, 2013 and County Board of Supervisors on January 14, 2014. The MOU outlines the Project's general purpose, confirms both parties awareness of same and confirms their mutual cooperation in support of it via a non-binding pledge.

The MOU also defines the parties respective roles and relationship to the Project, describes Project revenue options and scheduling, discusses environmental review, includes a general financing plan and sets forth planned outreach activities related to the Project.

On July 22, 2014 the Board of Supervisors adopted a Resolution submitting a Parcel Tax Ordinance to the voters on MERA's behalf at the November 4, 2014 Election. The Ordinance was amended by the Board of Supervisors to clarify that special Parcel Tax revenues will be used solely to fund the Next Gen System.

To assure consistency between the Tax Ordinance and the previously adopted MOU, the attached Amended and Restated MOU is presented for adoption by the MERA Governing Board and Board of Supervisors.

ATTACHMENT:

A-1a) Proposed Amended and Restated Memorandum of Understanding By and Between the Marin Emergency Radio Authority and the County of Marin in Support of the Next Generation Radio System