

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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DATE: September 9, 2015
TO: MERA Executive Board
FROM: Craig Tackabery, Operations Officer
SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM C-4: REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL RADIOS – MARIN COUNTY PROBATION

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Recommended Action: Approve the request for five radios, with a requirement for an APX one-band operational, second upgradeable or APX Dual band, both bands operational radio

Airport

Building Maintenance

Background: On March 11, 2015, your Board approved an Additional Radios Policy and Procedures for additional radio requests. The following entity is requesting the addition of the following radios:

Capital Projects

Marin County Probation	5
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Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA)

Communications Maintenance

The request from County of Marin (attached) was vetted through the Operations Issues Work Group, and was found to be consistent with the above policy. Other operational concerns that were identified are being addressed on an individual basis.

County Garage

Disability Access

The Additional Radios Policy and Procedures requires the entity to pay for these radios and all costs associated with programming and alignment. In addition, training is recommended for all users before the radios are released for use, based on the end user curriculum approved by MERA. Training can be provided by the entity if they have an approved trainer on staff, or provided by Marin County staff with all costs borne by the entity.

Engineering & Survey

Flood Control & Water Resources

Land Development

Purchasing

Attachments:

Real Estate

Letter from Marin County Probation

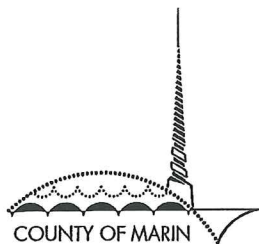
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Road Maintenance

Stormwater Program

Transportation & Traffic Operations

Waste Management



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August 17, 2015

Michael D. Daly
CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER

Re: Probation Department Request: 5 Additional Radio

Mariano Zamudio
CHIEF DEPUTY
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The Marin County Probation Department is a MERA member agency currently issued 53 MERA compliant radios. Historically, Probation was issued a modest number of radios to support occasional field visit and/or client transport need.

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With the onset of Public Safety Realignment in 2011, the Probation Department has been steadily increasing their presence in the field and the number of radios has increased in conjunction. By late 2012, the Probation Department had been issued a total of 38 radios and begun to use the services of the Sheriff's dispatch center.

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A radio has become a standard issue item for all Probation Officers (POs) who have caseloads that require regular work in the field. MERA training has become a part of the mandated field training requirements and the Department works closely with Sheriff's Dispatch to schedule routine refresher training.

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At this time we respectfully request the issuance of an additional five radios. The Probation Department has added four additional FTE's due to Realignment, so the additional radios requested are required to equip new staff, and will also provide the ability to issue assigned radios to POs who do not have a regular field presence but often take part in operations, events and transports. Currently these officers must share the one radio that has not been assigned to a specific PO.

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Thank you for your consideration,

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