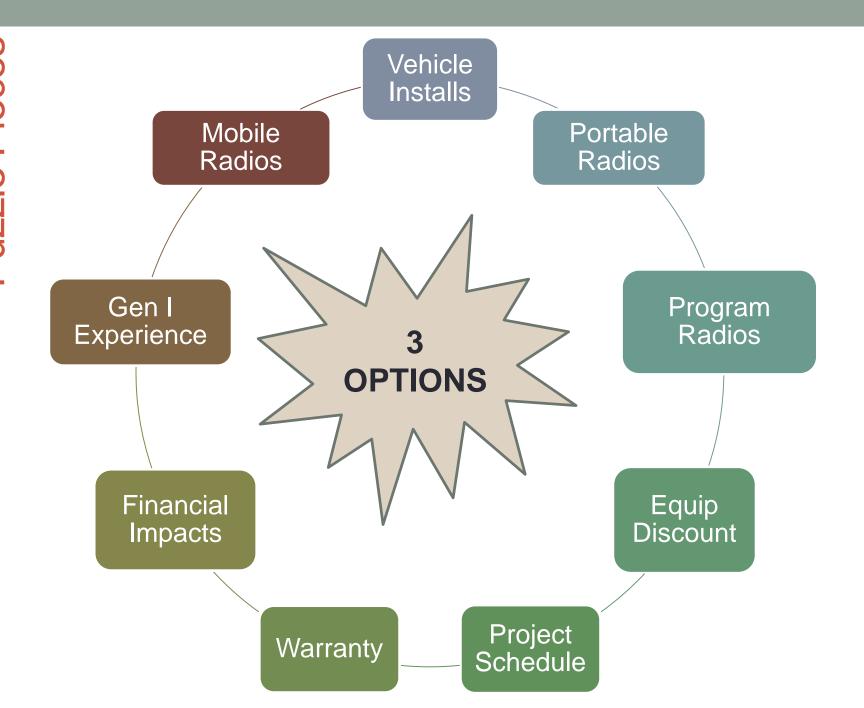
MERA: WHEN SECONDS SAVE LIVES

Next Gen Project Oversight Committee Monday, 03/19/2018





- Single Band Mobile Radios Next Gen System Only.
 - Only supports Option #1
 - Programmed and installed as Next Gen radios
- Dual Band Mobile Radios Gen I and Next Gen System
 - Required for Options #2 and #3
 - Programmed and installed as Gen I radios, requires reprogramming at cutover for Next Gen System operation
 - No cost to upgrade to dual band now
 - Cost to upgrade later
 - Third band available as local agency upgrade option

- Single Band Portable Radios Next Gen System Only.
 - No impact on options
 - Programmed and distributed as Next Gen radios just prior to cutover
- Dual band Portable Radios Gen I and Next Gen System
 - No impact on options
 - If distributed before cutover will require reprogramming
 - No cost to upgrade to dual band now
 - Cost to upgrade later
 - Third band available as local upgrade option
 - Fire agency interest in Next Gen System and VHF only now
 - Requires use of existing Gen I portable until cutover

- Vehicle Installation
 - 8 to 10 month process
- Option #1 Start at cutover
 - This is in the current draft schedule
 - April 2021 completion date
 - Program once
- Option #2 and #3
 - Saves approx. 8 months from Option #1
 - Option #2 aimed to complete installation just before cutover
 - Option #3 aimed to begin installation late summer 2018
 - Both options require reprogramming at cutover

Manual Programming

- All radios will initially be programmed by technicians
- Follow up programming at \$75k to \$130k per round
- Slow as technicians need to find and touch each radio
- During cutover, users on Gen I and Next Gen System simultaneously for several weeks

Over The Air Programming (OTAP)

- Uses MERA radio channel to sequentially program selected radios
- Includes Radio Management Software (RMS)
- During cutover, users on Gen I and Next Gen System simultaneously for several weeks

Wi-Fi

- Uses a series of MERA/Member provided hotspots to reprogram radio fleet in hours
- Includes Radio Management Software (RMS)
- Still assessing this technology
- Recommending Hybrid OTAP/Wi-Fi/RMS solution

- Subscriber Equipment Discount
 - \$500,000 discount for early delivery
 - Originally scheduled to expire 12/2017
 - New expiration date not yet set
 - With Option #3, discount is certain

Project Schedule

- Current draft schedule shows final acceptance in April 2021
- This assumes Option #1
- Option #2 and #3 accelerate the project 8 months to August 2020.

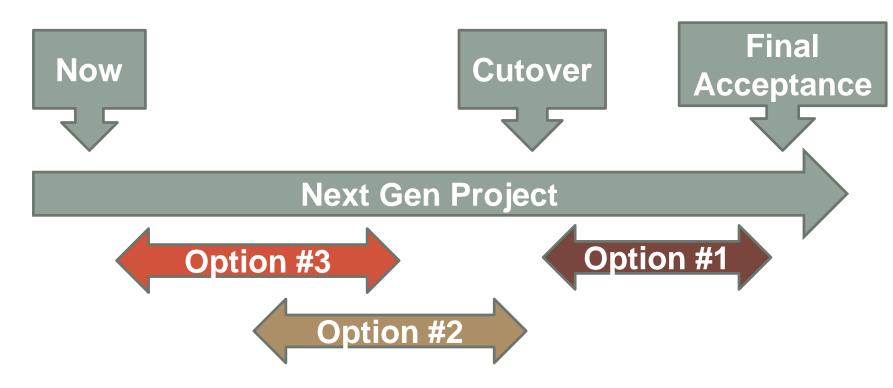
- CEQA

 Potential delays with CEQA, but would push back the completion dates for all options

Legacy Support

 Option #2 and #3 reduce time needed to support Gen I system

Project Schedule Milestones



Option Schedule Impacts

- All radios issued early will be under standard Motorola warranty
- At final system acceptance, all radio warranties will be restarted

System Discount

- Option #1 Likely \$0
- Option #2 Not determined
- Option #3 \$500,000

Dual Band Offer

- Option #1 Not Required
- Option #2 \$500,000 cost to MERA
- Option #3 Free upgrade

Schedule Impacts

MERA soft costs approx. \$100,000/month

Cash Flow

- Option #1 Equipment Invoice Early 2020
- Option #2 Equipment Invoice Fall/Winter 2019
- Option #3 Equipment Invoice Summer, 2018

- Radio Programming
 - Technician, Manual \$75k to 130K per round of programming
 - OTAP/Wi-Fi Hybrid \$523,556 One time cost
 - Wi-Fi Only \$503,889

-Gen I

Radios delivered with significant delay in installation and use

Option #1

All but early order radios delivered based on start of cutover date

Option #2

- With exception of early order radios......
- Mobile radios delivered to have all installed by cutover date
- Portable radios delivered in time to distribute for cutover

Option #3

- All Mobiles installed as Gen I radios and in use immediately
- Early order portables in use immediately as Gen I radios
- All other portables delivered in time for cutover

Option #1

- No decision needed
- Except for early order radios, all radios delivered in time for cutover
- Mobile radios installed after cutover
- Likely lose \$500k system discount
- No project time savings

Option #2

- Decision required
- Except for early order radios......
- Mobile radios delivered in 2019 for installation right up to cutover
- Recommend OTAP/Wi-Fi/RMS solution at \$523,556
- Requires Dual Band at \$500,000 cost to MERA
- Likely lose \$500,000 system discount
- Portable radios delivered in time for cutover
- Project Time savings of 8 months (\$800,000)
- Compared to Option #1 Cost to MERA \$223,556

- Option #3
 - Decision required
 - Except for early order radios......
 - All Mobile radios delivered in summer 2018 for immediate installation and use
 - Recommend OTAP/Wi-Fi/RMS solution at \$523,556
 - Requires Dual Band at no cost to MERA
 - \$500,000 system discount
 - Portable radios delivered in time for cutover
 - Project Time savings of 8 months (\$800,000)
- Compared to Option #1
 - Savings to MERA \$776,444 (Syst Disc + Project Time WiFi)
- Compared to Option #2
 - Savings to MERA \$1,000,000 (Syst Disc + Dual Band)



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