



NEXT GENERATION PROJECT **April 2021 Governing Board UPDATE:**

- **MERA Staff Reorganization**

With great appreciation, we would like to announce that MERA's Executive Officer, Maureen Cassingham, has resigned effective April 30, 2021. MERA extends its gratitude for her thoughtful and dedicated leadership during her 13+ year tenure. MERA would also like to welcome Interim Executive Officer Mary Morris-Mayorga to the team.

- **Construction Update**

- i. Bid Package #1 (EOF, Civic Center and Mt. Barnabe) was awarded to Fidato by the Governing Board on February 24, 2021.
- ii. Bid Package #1A (Dollar Hill, Mt. Tiburon and Stewart Point) received two complete bids by Fidato and LB Strobel after closing on April 16th, 2021. Both bids are scheduled to be presented to the Governing Board on April 28, 2021.
- iii. Bid Package #2 (Big Rock, San Pedro and Sonoma Mountain) is scheduled for public release the first week of May 2021.

- **Assistance to Firefighters Grant**

The installation process for mobile and portable radios for MERA's member agencies covered under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant has begun in early April 2021. Under the direction of MERA's Implementation Coordinator Dave Bettin, the new Next Gen System equipment is being distributed and installed by Motorola. Covering multiple mobile units weekly, this process is expected to be successfully completed before the summer of 2021.

- **Media Contact**

As a reminder, please refer any public or media inquiries regarding the MERA Next Gen System to MERA Deputy Executive Officer for the Next Gen System Dave Jeffries, 707-483-1098 or dave@jeffriespsc.com.

Our MERA team relies on the input and participation of all of our 25 member agencies!
Please be sure to share the above Project update with others at your agency.

Questions? Contact Deputy Executive Officer for the Next Gen System David Jeffries at dave@jeffriespsc.com.

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