Radio Project Status Report
September 23, 2015

A few of important project updates for today!

New Clearing Tones –

We are going to implement new clearing tones with the new radio system and although a few of these are what you are used to hearing with the voice pages, there are some new tones as well. These are those clearing tones so you know what you’re hearing upon cutover. Please be sure to play these tones for your members and insure that they know what each represents.

1. A local box remains the same with a single tone.
2. A tactical box remains the same with the double tone.
3. A box assignment remains the same with a triple tone.
4. Fire Police have their own clearing tone with the new consoles, listed as “Fire Police”.
5. EMS has a new clearing tone as well, listed as “EMS tone”.
6. There is a new evacuation tone as well – please be sure you listen to it! Fire Chiefs, please make sure all of your members hear this tone and know exactly what it is.
7. Recall – the recall tone remains the same as the current system with a 5 beep tone.

Cutover is coming!! Are you ready?

The tentative date remains at 10/18/2015. Get your portables out, charge the batteries. Law Enforcement personnel – get your encryption key updated from the radio. It will be here before we know it!

And please make sure all of your personnel know how to use their new equipment. Call us if you feel like you need additional help or support. The training power points are available on the project page, too! Please call Fred Blunt at 215-328-5153 if you need any help.

Anyone with unprogrammed radios – please get those to the shop as soon as possible to get them programmed! The sooner the better. The shop phone number is 215-345-3960 and there are technicians there from 0730 – 1530 hours Monday – Friday. Call and speak with Mike or Tracy to get your equipment ready to go for cutover.

Simulcast Testing –

We are testing the simulcast paging right now! Please keep an ear out and share your feedback! Paging is now coming from 22 sites simultaneously. We have gotten very positive feedback on it so far, but we want to know what you think. Please send your feedback to Audrey Kenny and Tracy Carl at the following addresses: arkenny@buckscounty.org and tacarl@buckscounty.org