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PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES REGION 53 (TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO) 700 MHZ PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE TO HOLD MEETING

The Region 53 (Texas-San Antonio)¹ 700 MHz Public Safety Regional Planning Committee (RPC) will hold their next meeting on Thursday, September 29, 2011, beginning at 1:30 p.m., at the Middle Rio Grande Eagle Pass Workforce Center, 1200 Ferry Street, Eagle Pass, Texas 78852.

The agenda for the 700 MHz meeting includes:

- 1. Call to order and welcome to Eagle Pass and conference bridge attendees
- 2. County and teleconference roll-call
- 3. Review and approve agenda
- 4. Review and approve August 11, 2011 Meeting Minutes
- 5. Bylaws Subcommittee Report, Chair Carol Edgett (Comal County)
- 6. Review and discussion of the proposed Bylaws as the permanent Region 53 Bylaws.
- 7. Discussion of Region 53 Plan (appendices, plan review, and adjacent region coordination process), Carol Sutherland, RPC Secretary.
 - a. Subcommittee review and recommendations
 - b. Full committee review and recommendations
- 8. Demonstration of the NIXX database and Region 53 site capabilities, Don McFarland.
- 9. Old business
- 10. New business
- 11. Next meetings scheduled:
 - a. Thursday, November 3, 2011 Corpus Christi
 - b. Thursday, December 8, 2011 San Antonio
- 12. Meeting adjourned.

The Region 53 700 MHz Public Safety RPC meeting is open to the public. All eligible public safety providers in Region 53 may utilize these frequencies. It is essential that eligible public safety agencies in all areas of government, including state, municipality, county, and Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 90.523, be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate, and represent their agency's needs.

¹ The Region 53 (Texas-San Antonio) 700 MHz regional planning area consists of the counties of Aransas, Atascosa, Bandera, Bee, Bexar, Brooks, Calhoun, Cameron, Comal, Dewitt, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, Frio, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Hidalgo, Jackson, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kenedy, Kerr, Kendall, Kinney, Kleberg, LaSalle, Lavaca, Live Oak, Maverick, McMullen, Medina, Nueces, Real, Refugio, San Patricio, Starr, Uvalde, Val Verde, Victoria, Webb, Willacy, Wilson, Zapata, and Zavala.

All interested parties wishing to participate in planning for the use of public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz band within Region 53 should plan to attend. For further information, and to obtain the conference bridge number please contact:

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