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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES**

**REGION 20 (DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, MARYLAND AND NORTHERN VIRGINIA) REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEES TO HOLD 700 MHZ AND 800 MHZ MEETINGS**

**General Docket No. 93-82 and WT Docket 02-378**

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###  The Region 20 Public Safety Regional Planning Committees (RPCs) will hold two consecutive in-person planning meetings on Wednesday, September 22, 2021, 10:00 a.m. at the Prince George’s County Public Safety Communications Center, 17321 Melford Boulevard, Bowie, Maryland. This meeting is subject to the anticipated termination of COVID restrictions pertaining to public gatherings.

The agenda for the meetings include:

* Call to order and welcome to all guests
* Approval of September 25, 2019 meeting minutes
* Chairman’s Remarks on issues of importance in Region 20
	+ Importance of Region 20 Interoperability Template
	+ Emerging 5G technology and impact to public safety
	+ FCC actions – 4.9 GHz in Docket WT 07-100
	+ 800 MHz – Termination of rebanding and 800 MHz frequencies
* Old business
* New business
* Speaker Presentations moderated by Chief Baltrotsky, Chairman of the Operations Committee
* Cellular programs of support for public safety and response/resolution to the potential of interference at shared tower sites.
* Verizon Wireless
* T-Mobile
* **Break**
* Discussion topics
* 700 MHz Deployable Trunking Demonstrations – L3Harris & Motorola Solutions systems. **Attendees are encouraged to pre-download the Region 20 interoperability code plug into subscriber devices for testing on both systems.**
* Other new business and items for the good of the order
* Adjournment (until next meeting)

 Both Region 20 Public Safety RPC meetings are open to the public. All eligible public safety providers in Region 20 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 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.

 All interested parties wishing to participate in planning for the use of public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz and 800 MHz bands within Region 20 should plan to attend.

 For further information, please contact:

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