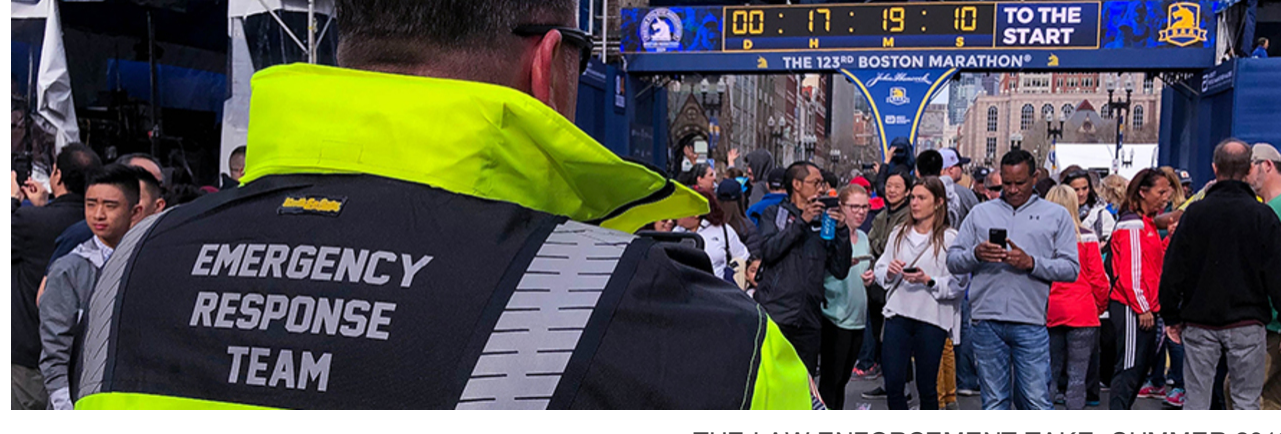




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THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TAKE: SUMMER 2019



The Law Enforcement Take from Harry Markley

A Roadmap to guide FirstNet

The First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet Authority) has been hard at work building a Roadmap to guide our programs, policies, and investments for public safety's broadband network. I want to tell you more about the Roadmap and the six technology focus areas or "domains" we have prioritized based on what we've heard from our engagements with you, the public safety community.

Roadmap engagement

I—and the rest of the FirstNet Authority Public Safety Advocacy team—have been traveling the nation to seek input about what public safety needs from their dedicated broadband network. For example, we held a [Public Safety Roadmap Summit in June in Phoenix, AZ](#) attended by over 100 public safety professionals. At this meeting, we delved into the purpose of the Roadmap and broke up into small groups to get feedback about on-the-ground public safety priorities.

As FirstNet Authority Board Chair Edward Horowitz said, "The Roadmap is a living plan to ensure we capture the needs of the community we serve – public safety." That's why we continue to host these engagements. We want to know how public safety broadband can help you do your job more efficiently, effectively, and safely.

Six domains

Through many engagements over the past year like the summit in Phoenix and [feedback from agencies](#) like the Texas City Police Department, we have identified six domains on which the Roadmap will focus.

1. The Core
2. Coverage and Capacity
3. Situational Awareness
4. Voice Communications
5. Secure Information Exchange
6. User Experience

These six domains will drive our work over the next five years and beyond, and they will focus our time, attention, and investments on network enhancements that improve FirstNet.

Our team wants to hear from you

The Roadmap helps to start new discussions about public safety's broadband network and how you use it. Given my focus on law enforcement, I am always eager to hear from you. You also have the benefit of a full team that focuses on [law enforcement at the FirstNet Authority](#). You can contact me at Harry.Markley@FirstNet.gov, and below is the contact information for the rest of the team:

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Email one of us, or better yet, join us at one of these upcoming events, where we'll be talking FirstNet with the law enforcement community:

[Major Cities Chiefs Association \(MCCA\) Fall Meeting](#) in Chicago, IL, on October 26, 2019

[International Association of Chiefs of Police \(IACP\) Annual Conference](#) in Chicago, IL, on October 29, 2019

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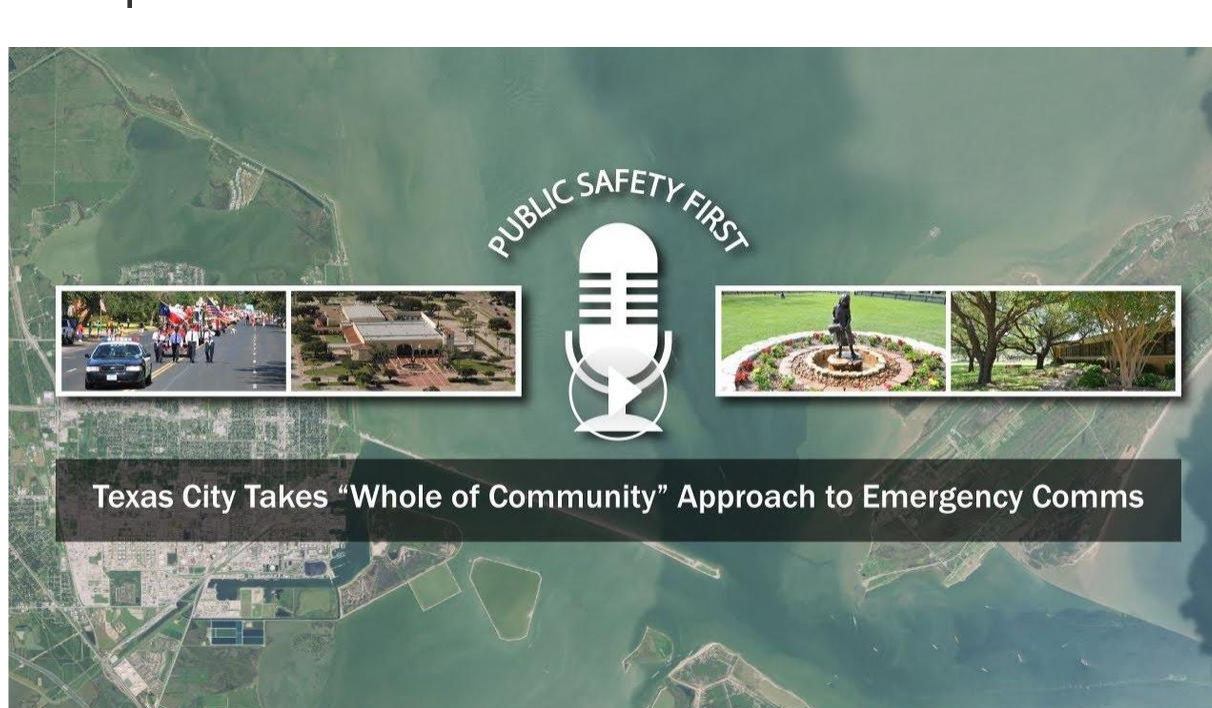
- 1 [FirstNet takes to the skies](#) with three new flying COWs (Cells on Wings), part of a nationwide fleet of FirstNet-dedicated deployable assets available at no extra cost to subscribers.
- 2 Broadband access is expanding with new FirstNet cell sites in rural areas—like [Preston County, West Virginia](#) and the [Red Cliff Reservation](#) in Wisconsin—to increase nationwide coverage and capacity.
- 3 [We've heard you](#). Stay tuned for the [FirstNet Authority Roadmap](#), a plan to advance FirstNet based on your feedback.
- 4 San José leads the nation in [deploying FirstNet to all of the city's public safety](#) personnel and emergency response staff—"from tip to tail of the organization."
- 5 Public safety agencies are using FirstNet at [trainings](#) and [exercises](#) to integrate public safety broadband into their operations.

Tech, Innovations and Hot Topics in Law Enforcement

*Read what we've been hearing from public safety in the field about trends and drivers for Law Enforcement and emergency communications.**

Neighborhood watch goes digital! Police departments across the country are working with homeowners to help catch criminals using footage from private doorbell cameras. Waukee, IA, a suburb of Des Moines, is the first in the metro area to try [mapping private cameras](#) by asking residents to voluntarily register their camera. In other communities, residents can use free apps to post and watch home security videos, [share footage with police departments](#), and receive crime alerts from the police department. Neighbors without video doorbells can still access the app and provide valuable information on suspicious people and incidents that occurred in their neighborhood, virtually [increasing the canvass area](#) for police departments.

Success story with the Texas City Police Department



The police department in Texas City, Texas, has completely migrated to FirstNet. "I know that it makes our deputies... feel like at ease knowing that they have a product that's going to be able to work in a time of need, always," said Mike Matranga, current Executive Director of Security for Texas City Independent School District.

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Top photo: A member of the FirstNet team looks towards the starting line of the Boston Marathon.

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