



STATE INTEROPERABILITY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL QUARTERLY MEETING

August 12, 2025

1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

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1. Call to Order

- Roll Call & Quorum Verification –Support Staff
- Chair DeBone called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM

Quorum = 13

Name	Department	Attendance
Chair Tony DeBone	Association of Oregon Counties	P
Vice-Chair Mike Harman	County IT Officer	P
Scott Branco	Department of Public Safety Standards & Training	P
Chief Darren Bucich	Oregon Fire Chiefs Association	P
Eric Bush	Member of the Oregon Emergency Management Community	A
Forrest Chambers	Member of Dept. of State Fire Marshal	P
Dir. Bob Cozzie	Public Safety Comm Org.	P
Chief Mark Daniel	Association of Chiefs of Police	P
Rep. Paul Evans	State Rep (non-voting)	A
Aaron Fox	FCC Region 35	P
Brandon Fowler	Special District Association of Oregon	P
Ben Gherezgiher	Office of the State CIO	A
Nicholas Green	Oregon Broadband Advisory Council	A
Eli Grove	Tribal Representative	P
Nick Hunter	Oregon Sheriffs' Association	A
Travis Luckey	City IT Officer	P
Brad Melendy	Oregon Military Department	P
Joe Messman	Oregon Dept of Transportation	P
Brian Quigley	Oregon Dept of Forestry	P
Patence Winningham	Oregon Emergency Management	P
Adam Wagner	Oregon Health Authority	P
VACANT	State Senator (non-voting)	-
VACANT	Public at large	-
VACANT	Public at large	-
VACANT	Dept of Corrections	-
VACANT	League of Oregon Cities	-

2. Updates & Announcements

Announcements

- *State Cybersecurity Service Webinars – Ryan Mikesch*
 - *October webinars for local partners are offered for Cybersecurity Awareness Month.*
 - **1. Protect Your Family Online**
 - *October 7 | 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM*



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- Award-winning journalist Kerry Tomlinson shares real-life cybercrime stories and simple steps to secure your family online. Includes live Q&A.
- [Register Here](#)
- **2. Level Up Your Cyber Game: Trivia Game Show**
- October 15 | 1:00 PM – 1:45 PM
- Join the National Cybersecurity Alliance for a fun, interactive trivia game show on MFA, phishing, and passwords. Perfect for teams or solo players.
- [Register Here](#)
- **3. Master Digital Security: Crafting Unbreakable Passwords**
- October 22 | 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- Jake Wilson from EIS/CSS teaches how to create strong passwords and use multi-factor authentication to prevent data breaches.
- [Register Here](#)
- Joint OR/WA SIEC Informational Meeting in October
 - Vancouver, WA
- SCIP Annual Update Workshop – October 21

Membership

- New Council Appointments:
 - Brian Quigley – Oregon Department of Forestry
 - Representative Paul Evans – Oregon State Representative
- Pending Council Appointments
 - None.

Next Meeting: November 18, 2025

3. Council Agenda and Minutes Approval – Tony DeBone

- Review Council Agenda: Additions to agenda
 - Aaron Fox motions for approval
 - Brandon Fowler seconded for approval
 - No opposition, no abstained. Motion passed.
- Council Action: Review and approve minutes from May 5th meeting.
 - Aaron Fox motioned for approval
 - Brandon Fowler seconded for approval
 - No opposition, no abstained. Motion passed.



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4. Council Action List – SIEC Membership (*indicates potential Council action)

New Business

- Planning Process: 27-29 Legislative Session – Seiji Shiratori, Oregon Department of Emergency Management
 - Special Session at the end of August and short session beginning in January 2026
 - OEM-perspective: broadly successful session.
 - SWIC and SIEC formally part of OEM as of July 1
 - Next year, OERS Watch Center moving from OSP to OEM
- Spectrum Cyclone – Aaron Fox
 - July exercise in Seattle – support for 2026 FIFA World Cup
 - Well-rounded mix of threats in digital environment that could impact first responders
 - John Lee: Washington State SWIC
 - Zero funding outside of partner commitments and donations
 - www.TAK.gov/products
- Real World Tsunami Event – Discussion
 - No wireless emergency alert was sent from NWS in Oregon
 - 154,000 individuals received some sort of contact from OR-Alert.
 - Tsunami Center and Weather Service: we should put together a template tsunami message within the system
 - Discussion of sirens – risk profile is unique from WA and HI
 - Multiple-jurisdiction 9-1-1 interruption of service – PSAPs lost ability to receive 9-1-1 calls: 3 counties along the coast.
 - Preparing for double-emergencies
 - Seismic Network built out to generate earthquake early warning products.
 - Public confusion between Watch and Warning
 - No-notice events are opportunities to see where we excel and where there are gaps

Old Business

- Definition of Public Safety Communications Ecosystem – Patence Winningham (Under Review)
 - SIEC was given form to provide review – moving forward with getting a legal opinion. What does it mean to define public safety communication? More to come, no action needed at this time.
 - Grants Update – Patence Winningham
 - Still navigating Federal changes
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- NOFO dropped last week, given 14 days to turn them around and submit
 - Seeking litigation in the terms and conditions
- EMPG next round NOFO is in the same pile, at the mercy of the terms and conditions and litigation.
- FY25 SHSP Updates: We hope to have SIEC serve as the EmCom grant review committee.
- Sensor buildouts for alerts and warning, OR Alert capabilities, replacement of EAS encoders
- Longterm planning for if litigation against the terms and conditions is unsuccessful. State agencies don't have a substitute for federal grants – will require creativity
 - EMPG Funding Formula Committee – trying to revamp to mitigate potential bleeding of funding and capability at the local levels

5. Council Round Table and Q&A (SIEC Member Reports, questions, public testimony)

Committee Reports – Committee Chairs

Executive Committee – Chair Tony DeBone

- SB 826 was signed. SWIC became part of OEM officially July 1, 2025
- Review Council Vacancies/Membership
 - Member of the Public, DOC (in process), League of Oregon Cities

Strategic Planning Committee – John Hartsock

- NG-911 Working Group Update
 - Progressing. Project pending Stage 2 endorsement: involved process with State of OR. Estimated to be complete at the end of the month.
 - ESC and EIS partners: initial project plan and supporting subplans have been developed. NG911 information hub will be updated with the refreshed timelines following the Stage 2 endorsement.
 - Next meeting TBD
- Strat Planning Meeting in October: issues and upcoming items

Broadband Committee – William Chapman

- SPOC Report – get from William
 - Carrier Update
 - FirstNet Public Safety Success Manager: Lily Campbell
 - FirstNet playbook – agencies, organizations can incorporate it into their emergency plan
 - Verizon Wireless: mild in comparison. No current operations in WA or OR
 - Seeing many StarLink in the field
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- OR County Fair: 15,000 per day, deployed satellite truck for vendors and attendees – positive feedback from organizing council
- 5G network enhancement: network slicing – concert in San Francisco with 75,000 people per day – drone patrol leveraged network slicing.
- T-Mobile: T-Satellite has been launched commercially
 - October: rolling out like-data component. Focused on first responder applications in the field: tracking assets, voice memos, direct connect mission critical apps – data is coming
 - US Cellular Merger: SW and Eastern Oregon (Wasco, Lake, Harney, Douglas County, etc.) growing assets
 - Network coverage: 350 sites under new build or capacity upgrade. Network slice is available in every county. Capital Investment through 2026
- Broadband Committee – need new chair, doesn't need to be a voting SIEC member
- Committee Updates
 - Projects:
 - State TICFOG – no update.
 - Priority Programming Guide for Interoperability
 - Fade of Communication Positions – limited funding for contractors and training. Try to replace some of the classes. Need task books to be submitted.
 - Technical Committee – Rick Iverson & Aaron Fox
 - PACE Planning Workshop: State Radio Conference
 - SOP Guidelines? Packaged video/deliverable packet?
 - Leverage Censor Data: looking for interested members to form a Working Group: Deadline December 2026
 - Best Practices for Using Low Earth Orbiting Satellites for Communication – on track, outline submitted in October/November.
 - Viability as primary or backup – initial results from this summer testing. Lane and Linn Counties.
- Next Meeting – TBD

Partnership Committee – Dianne Majors

- Meeting Report: June 26
- SWIC activities and Interoperability Program activities
- Whitney Stewart, OEM – Stockpile presentation
- Next meeting: August 21

Public comment:



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6. SWIC Report – Team

- Columbia Area Transit meeting: evaluated coverage and usability of cellular Push-to-Talk for public transit operations in the Columbia Gorge
 - Tested coverage, audio quality, interoperability
 - County EMs pursuing
 - Emergency Comms Stockpile
 - Technical Assistance Request Report
 - OERS Update
 - CISA Updates
 - Still a strong team prepared to support Oregon regardless of federal changes
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7. SCIP Review and Updates

- Cross-border SIEC Meeting: October
 - FEMA Region 10 communications meeting attendance – reevaluate
 - OEM and PSAPs review working groups
 - 25 year report on SIEC to Governor and Legislature
 - Policy that requires legislation
 - Legislative Working Group
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8. Regional Interoperability Committee Reports

- WORJIC Report – Jay Atwood
 - Next meeting: September 23rd
 - Reinvigorate committee: one-pager with an overview of committee, goals, etc. do outreach to encourage engagement
 - Columbia Gorge – WA and OR counties – relying on each other, communicate, interoperability, mutual aid
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9. Adjourn – 3:30 PM

Chair DeBone adjourned the meeting at 3:27 PM

2025 Schedule	Jan	Feb 11	Mar	Apr	May 6	Jun	Jul	Aug 12	Sep	Oct	Nov *	Dec
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MEETING MATERIALS – The meeting will begin at 1:30 PM and is planned to proceed chronologically through the agenda. For agenda and meeting materials please visit <https://www.oregon.gov/eis/siec/Pages/about.aspx>

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION OF DISABILITIES – Reasonable accommodations, such as assistive hearing devices, sign language interpreters and materials in large print or audiotape, will be provided as needed. In order to ensure availability, please contact William Chapman at the Oregon Department of Emergency Management at telephone 971-283-4607, or email SWIC.OR@Oregon.gov at least 72 hours prior to the meeting with your request.



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