

emails for San Jose



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To "Laura Phillips" <Laura.Phillips@SFGOV.ORG>

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Subject RE: BTOP Grant

History:

✉ This message has been replied to.

Laura - SVRIP has made a decision not to participate in any BTOP Round 2 application that the UASI may be putting together.

As you have accurately summarized, we do wish to be involved in all other related regional discussions and strategic planning with regard to Public Safety Broadband.

Mike Milas

-----Original Message-----

From: Laura Phillips [mailto:Laura.Phillips@SFGOV.ORG]

Sent: Fri 2/5/2010 11:50 AM

To: Milas, Michael

Cc: sseaman@losgatosca.gov; Heather.Tannehill-Plamondon@sfgov.org; Laura Phillips; Moore, Christopher

Subject: BTOP Grant

Mike,

It would probably be helpful for SVRIP to understand the differences between the BTOP and UASI grants and how they are managed. This information should be helpful in determining the south bay's participation in this particular funding effort. SVRIP, like the other participants, will be responsible for researching the requirements for BTOP grant. Unlike the UASI, where the footprint for collaboration is defined and required, this grant opportunity is optional. You are not required to participate. Not participating in this effort does not indicate that SVRIP won't be involved in the larger effort of public safety broadband deployment in the Bay Area. The \$2M set aside for the first phase of broadband for each targeted core urban area, regardless of the success of this grant, is still set aside for those footprints (subject to the final approval of the FCC waiver, compliance with PSBL issues, and the normal Advisory and Approval Authority endorsements). We are managing this grant submission process similar to how we managed the grant submission process for the 2007 COPS ICE grant (San Francisco MSA) -as that process worked well for the short turnaround. Each participant will provide substance back to the overall grant, identify a core team to produce the technical information, we will collaborate on the final deliverable and shared portions of the production, and meet at regular intervals (weekly and then daily) until the submission of the grant. Other key differences and issues that you need to consider:

BTOP participants assume any relevant financial and legal risks for their participation in this grant including the shared match

requirement. It is the participants responsibility to be informed of those requirements and risks associated with participation. San Francisco is not serving as the fiscal agent on behalf of this region. Participants are responsible for completing their "homework" related to design or any technical requirements required for grant submission. There is a significant amount of technical work that will be required for this grant submission.

No extensions can be granted to complete work required for the grant submission (as it would adversely impact the other participants) due to the extremely short turnaround.

Participants in this regional collaboration are responsible for their individual audit and federal compliance issues.

Because this is not a UASI grant and will not be managed thru that governance process (as San Francisco isn't the fiscal agent) the application will not go thru the Advisory and Approval Authority approval processes.

All participants agree to use the monthly interoperability meetings and Broadband/Microwave Policy Group to ensure we build an interoperable network within the bay area.

No green sites or sites with EHP/CEQA/NEPA pending can be considered as part of this funding.

Our agreed submission is for a public safety 700MHz broadband network subject to the approval of the waiver and any PSBL, FCC, spectrum term lease agreement requirements. Participants must be aware of and understand all of the recommendations of the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council-Broadband Task Force Recommendations. The South Bay did not participate in the NPSTC process but has been provided with that body of work to review.

Other municipal type systems being proposed in other bands will not be considered for this regional application.

Please call me (or Heather) if you have any questions. As SVRIP asked for an extension to the deadline/question of participation, I will expect a written (email) response to our inquiry about SVRIP's participation for this grant before the COB on Monday, February 8th. My thanks in advance for your consideration.

Regards,

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02/26/2010 05:21 PM

To "Heather Tannehill-Plamondon"
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Subject BTOP Round 2 participation by SVRIP

History: This message has been replied to and forwarded.

Heather – We have made a decision to participate in the BTOP Round 2 application.

Our decision is based on the limited information that we have and recognizing that, as we participate and as the process proceeds; more information will become available which could have either a positive or a negative impact on the viability of the initiative and our continued participation. In the limited time we have had to internally discuss our decision to participate we have reached out to a few key consortium decision makers within SVRIP to include the City Managers Association. As a result of these brief discussions we feel that it is prudent to communicate to you that as the process proceeds we will be closely considering the following criteria and factors. We believe that most if not all of the other application participants will likely be looking at these issues with similar interest.

- While agreeing to participate in the application we reserve the right to opt out as the process proceeds if;
 - The assertions in the final application significantly differ from our understanding of the circumstances and effort
 - Future costs appear to be too high or undefined
 - System performance criteria appears to be insufficient to meet desired and anticipated needs
 - Future contractual relationships between the various partners and participants require shared system access or shared asset access on terms that would not be acceptable
 - Any agreements related to this initiative would negatively impact other competitive procurement efforts we may now or in the future be involved in
 - Future governance, system administration or system sustainment plans are not acceptable

We recognize that given your short timeline that significant effort needs to take place in order to complete the application. We will endeavor to provide you with what you need from us in a timely manner in support of this effort.

It is our ongoing interest to fully participate in and assist with regional initiatives that align with our goals and objectives and which would potentially benefit all participants. We feel that a regional public safety Broad Band system could be such an endeavor. We see tremendous value in working together as consortiums on efforts such as this.

We know that we will have many questions moving forward. As we more fully advise other key decision makers within our consortium regarding this initiative they may also have independent input which they will communicate to us. It is our intent to be full partners and participants and to do what we can to make this effort successful for everyone. We look forward to our future engagement in the process.

Mike.

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