



ALASKA LAND MOBILE RADIO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
(A Federal, State and Municipal Partnership)



MEMORANDUM FOR ALMR Executive Council

October XX, 2026

FROM: State of Alaska (SOA) Chair

SUBJECT: July 16 Meeting Agenda

TO: See Distribution

1. **Call to Order.** Mr. John Rockwell, State of Alaska (SOA) Chair, or TBD, Department of War (DoW) Co-Chair, will call the meeting to order. The roll will be taken.

2. **Opening Statements and Other Announcements.**

3. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes.** (Mr. John Rockwell or TBD DoW Co-Chair)

Approval of the draft minutes from the April 28, 2026, Executive Council meeting.
(Attch. 1)

4. **Old Business.**

a. **State Interoperability Governing Body (SIGB).** **(TABLED)** At the April meeting, Mr. Rockwell briefed that he would like to turn his time over to Mr. Fussey, because he would like to address the nature of the SIGB and some of the possible responsibilities that the Executive Council probably should fulfill. Mr. Fussey noted that Governor Walker created the SIGB, which has been tabled for quite a while, but as he was looking through the historical documents, which he will send to all the council members and everyone in attendance. Mr. Rockwell commented that he thinks it is appropriate to start talking about the role of the Executive Council as the default SIGB, and for those that might not know, the Statewide Interoperability Governing Body is what SIGB stands for.

b. **Long-term Cost Share Solution.** At the April meeting, Mr. Rockwell briefed that this has been one of those items that the state has been reaching towards, as far as how the state continues to pay for the system. He noted that ALMR has cost-share agreements with the infrastructure owners that pay for part of the services, but overall, it has been very difficult through state budgets to continue paying for all of the support, that is, the manpower, the equipment, and the infrastructure costs themselves. Mr.

Rockwell noted that everyone needs to look at the cost of the system moving forward and how funding is going to continue for the 135 different agencies that ALMR has on it, the over 32,000 devices that are being supported, and then moving on to even other technologies, like push-to-talk over the cell phone, Wi-Fi, etc.

c. Intergovernmental Support Agreement (IGSA). At the April meeting, Mr. Woodall briefed that the Army and the State of Alaska have completed the Intergovernmental Support Agreement (IGSA) between those two agencies, which is signed and completed. He noted that the Air Force is currently staffing for signatures, which have already been signed by the State of Alaska, for their IGSA with the State of Alaska. Mr. Woodall stated that they expect those two signatures, which are required on the Air Force side, to be completed here within the next couple of weeks. He commented that, at that point, the IGSA item that the council has listed as old business would be able to come off the old business.

d. Radio Inventory (TDMA vs Non-TDMA). At the April meeting, Mr. Fussey briefed that he, Mr. Nikalus Fahnestock, and his team have been busy the last couple of months activating TDMA for talk groups. He noted that the Fort Wainwright Motor Pool is now on TDMA, so Mr. Andy Strait, who works with Mr. Fahnestock, worked with the Fort Wainwright Motor Pool and activated them, which he and Mr. Fahnestock have been monitoring. Mr. Fussey stated that they worked with Soldotna dispatch, MATCOM dispatch, state parks, national forest, a lot of different agencies, up to and including the troopers for the Kenai Peninsula and the MatSu Borough, to activate and turn on TDMA for their talkgroups.

e. Fairbanks Rabinowitz Courthouse BDA. At the April meeting, Mr. Rockwell briefed that BDAs for both the Rabinowitz and Palmer courthouses are moving forward. Mr. Rockwell asked Mr. Stormo if he had any details as to when they were looking after Fairbanks. Mr. Stormo stated that he had not heard of the completion, but the Rabinowitz equipment is in, and they were going to start on it in May.

f. Motorola Operations Services Contract. At the April meeting, Mr. Stormo briefed that the State of Alaska and DoW have two different vendors that are going to be presenting to the state and DoW interested parties this week, just trying to describe their proposal, and an opportunity to expand it to a broader audience to see what types of questions or comments they might have that they can try to get answered. He noted that there is nothing more official to report at this time, but no major concerns. Mr. Stormo stated he thinks, as to where they are at the moment, other than what has been stated previously, is that it is going to cost a lot more, and not everybody has gotten the funding for that, but no new concerns to state at this point.

5. User Council Update. (Ms. Tammy Goggia-Cockrell)

6. Operations Management Office. (Mr. Paul Fussey)

- a. Training and outreach
- b. Project status update
- c. June system metrics (**Attch. 2**)
- d. Other Items

7. **New Business.** (Mr. John Rockwell or TBD DoW Co-Chair)

8. **Next Meeting.** (Mr. John Rockwell or TBD DoW Co-Chair)

The next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. at the Alaska Public Safety Communication Services' conference room, 5900 E Tudor Road.

9. **Adjourn Meeting.** (Mr. John Rockwell or TBD DoW Co-Chair)

Mr. John Rockwell, DPS
State of Alaska
ALMR Executive Council Chair

2 Attachments:

- 1. Draft April 2026 Meeting Minutes
- 2. June System Metrics

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