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## September Monthly Bulletin

Below is a snapshot of the work products and initiatives currently being developed by SAFECOM's four Committees.

### **SAFECOM Association Spotlight: National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors**

The National Organization of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA) provides support to cities, towns, counties and commissions on local, state, and federal communications

#### **Education and Outreach**

- ▶ The Education and Outreach Committee completed the Broadband Mapping survey initiative. Please contact [Kenzie Capece](#) if you would like a copy of the report.
- ▶ Education and Outreach has successfully established a COMU Working Group. The Working Group will develop an interactive presentation presented for the November Joint SAFECOM/NCSSWIC meetings. Anyone interested in joining the Working Group should contact either [Mark Grubb](#) or [Chris Lombard](#).
- ▶ The Committee will identify SAFECOM speaking engagements for industry events. Please contact [Mark Grubb](#) to share any upcoming opportunities.
- ▶ Next meeting: October 28, 2015, at 2:00 pm ET

#### **Funding and Sustainment**

- ▶ The Funding and Sustainment Committee will work on the approval, release and distribution of the Funding Mechanism Document.
- ▶ The Committee reviewed the status and next steps of remaining products, including Land Mobile Radio Papers, Broadband Paper, Grants Best Practices, and the Life Cycle Guide.
- ▶ Next meeting: October 23, 2015 at 4:00 pm ET

#### **Technology Policy**

- ▶ The Technology Policy Committee will focus on the current T-band situation and identify a path forward.
- ▶ Committee members are reviewing Cybersecurity Primer and Cybersecurity Resources and the Key Management Best Practices documents.
- ▶ The Committee continued to support ongoing initiatives for data interoperability and National Emergency Communications Plan implementation.
- ▶ Next Meeting: October 20, 2015 at 3:00 pm ET

#### **Governance**

- ▶ The Governance Committee continues to develop and design the Marilyn J. Praisner SAFECOM Leadership Award.

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- ▶ The Committee will review the 2015 SAFECOM Strategic Plan and the recommendations from the Executive Committee (EC) Governance Structure Working Group during the September 30, 2015, conference call.
- ▶ Nominations for SAFECOM Chair and Vice Chair(s), as well as the Education & Outreach and Funding & Sustainment Committees' chair and vice chair are due October 23, 2015. As approved by the EC, all SAFECOM members are now eligible to be committee chairs/vice chairs. Elections will occur at the November in-person meeting. Please submit nominations to the [SAFECOM Governance Inbox](#).
- ▶ Next meeting: TBD

## SAFECOM Association Highlights and Current Events

### National Emergency Number Association (NENA)

- ▶ NENA will hold its [National Development Conference](#) (NDC) October 4-7, 2015 in Austin, Texas. This conference will focus on standards development work.
- ▶ [NENA's Critical Issues Forum](#), which will focus on location accuracy, follows the NDC on October 7-8, 2015.

### The InterAgency Board (IAB)

- ▶ [The InterAgency Board \(IAB\)](#) will be hosting its fall meeting in Washington, DC on October 19-22, 2015.

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