

Funding Subcommittee			
Region/Entity	Name	Type	Attended
NECORE	Todd Weaver, Northampton	Primary	X
NECORE	Fred Rosencrans, Luzerne	Alternate	X
North Central	Andrew Kremser, Clinton	Primary	X
North Central	Jeremy Brown	Alternate	
Northern Tier	Chris Clark, Jefferson	Primary	X
Northern Tier	Nate Burgett, McKean	Alternate	X
South Central	Matt Hobson, York	Primary	X
South Central	Tim Baldwin, Lancaster	Alternate	X
South Central Mountain	Mark Taylor, Blair	Primary	X
South Central Mountain	Chris Stevens, Huntingdon	Alternate	X
Southeast	Kelly Collins, Philadelphia	Primary	X
Southeast	Brian Gottschall, Berks	Alternate	X
Southwest	Frank Jannetti, Mercer	Primary	X
Southwest	Gary Thomas, Allegheny	Alternate	X
CCAP	Melissa Gates	Advisory	X
PEMA	Jeff Boyle	Advisory	X

I. Introduction:

- An update of the NG911 project was provided. 15 PSAPs have been migrated to NG911 service.
- Stakeholders are beginning to meet regarding reauthorization of the legislation

II. 2023 Funding Subcommittee Objectives

1. Define statewide interconnectivity funding allocations for the 2023, 2024, 2025 funding cycles.

Discussion:

- For shared system maintenance and new projects that may impact 15% funds, PEMA will be contacting counties to identify costs defined in contract or to identify best effort costs estimates for 2024 – 2026 (2023 – 2025 funding cycles) and to ensure these costs are captured in 911 System Plans
- The focus is to have initiatives/projects for consideration identified by 4/15/2023 and have 2023 awards and 2024, 2025 allocations defined by 8/31/2023

2. Review reserve caps for capital and operating reserves

Discussion:

- No discussion on the specific objective
- However, a recommendation was made to enhance awareness of plans or intended use of capital and operating reserves. PEMA agrees this is an area of the 911 Program that can be expanded with additional functionality built into the 911 System Plan and/or Combined Report. **Note:** Desired functionality, software requirements, and timeline for deployment are to be determined.

3. 911 System Plan – Recommendations for Process and/or Software Enhancement

Discussion:

- No discussion on the objective

4. Distribution Formula Review – Recommendations to Assist with Updating § 5306.1. (d) – (f)

Discussion:

- It is anticipated legislation reauthorization will be a focus of 911 stakeholders in 2023
- A recent discussion in the Subcommittee has been the impact of potential legislation changes (i.e., change to surcharge rate, change in parameters for the formula outline in the legislation, etc.) on the funding formula
- The objective is for the subcommittee to provide PEMA with advice and recommendations to assist with an update of the formula provisions of the law (§ 5306.1. (d) – (f))
- Some subcommittee members commented that it is important to have a clear formula recommendation.
 - The Legislative Budget & Finance Committee recommended population be used as the primary factor in the formula.
 - A recommendation of 3% equal distribution with the remainder distributed by 97.5% population and 2.5% population has been developed by the Funding Subcommittee previously and supported by PEMA. PEMA has regularly stated we would continue to support this recommendation in the absence of a viable alternative.
 - If other recommendations are identified, PEMA would support if there is consensus in the Subcommittee.
- It was discussed there are many unknown variables at this time and potential changes to the surcharge rate or formula requirements in the legislation would need to be understood to make informed recommendations about revenue distribution. From PEMA's perspective, the most efficient use of subcommittee member's time and effort is to coordinate recommendations in parallel with legislation reauthorization efforts.
 - It was suggested the subcommittee consider developing recommendations for different funding levels based on the experience of reviewing the submitted recommendation at the December Subcommittee meeting where changes to the rate and distribution percentages demonstrated the need for flexibility.
 - Also, the task and potential solutions change if the goal among stakeholders is that no county sees a revenue decrease.

5. Potential procurement – CHE Systems/Services

Discussion:

- No discussion on the specific objective

6. 2024 Funding Subcommittee Primary & Alternate Members

Discussion:

- No discussion on the specific objective

III. Open Discussion

- Work priorities for the objectives was discussed and listed in priority order below. There will be overlap in timeframes among all objectives.
 1. Define statewide interconnectivity funding allocations
 - a. The focus is to have initiatives for consideration identified by 4/15/2023 and final allocations defined by 8/31/2023.
 2. Review reserve caps for capital and operating reserves
 - a. The 2022 Combined Report is due to PEMA on 4/15/2023. The new 2023 Annual Report (Combined Report replacement) will be released sometime after 2022 Combined Report reviews are complete. The revised reserve caps are needed for the new Annual Report.
 3. Potential Procurement – CHE systems and services
 - a. Some counties and regions are due for a system/refresh in the coming years and need may require focus on this item.
 4. 911 System Plan – Recommendations for Process and/or Software Enhancement
 - a. PEMA will be contacting many counties to ensure estimated 15% costs for 2024 – 2026 are captured in their plans. The intent is to solicit feedback while the Plan is still fresh on your mind. Identifying enhancements will allow for the developers to schedule any enhancements.
 5. Funding Formula Review
 - a. The formula will receive attention as needed in the early part of the year but is expected to be a focus in the later part of year as part of reauthorization efforts.
 6. 2024 Subcommittee Membership