

# State Alternative Plan Program (SAPP) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Overview

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## **SAPP NOFO Overview Agenda**

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## **SAPP NOFO Overview Logistics**

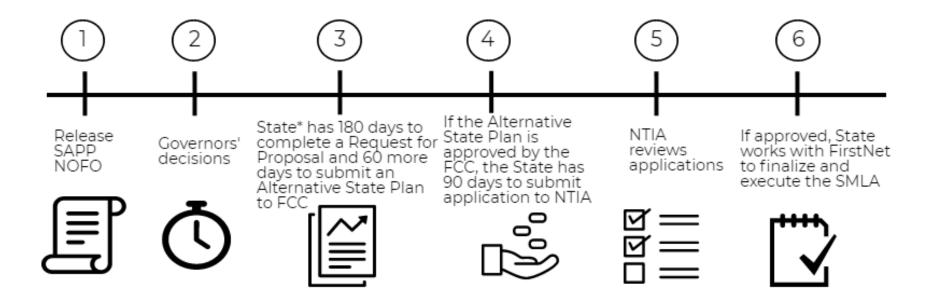
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### **SAPP Opt-out Process Timeline**



\*The word 'State' refers to States, territories, and the District of Columbia



### **SAPP Program Overview**

SAPP is designed for States and territories that seek to construct, operate, maintain, and improve the Radio Access Network (RAN) in their State



States **must** apply to NTIA for the right to execute a spectrum manager lease from FirstNet and they **may** apply for a grant to go towards the cost of constructing the RAN



There will be one application and set of criteria regardless of whether a State applies for one or both





### **SAPP Application Review Process**

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Applications will undergo a multi-step review to include administrative/completeness, merit, and programmatic reviews:



- Applicants will be provided two opportunities during the merit review and one opportunity during the programmatic review to remedy deficiencies found in the original submission before the application is recommended for rejection
- NTIA Assistant Secretary makes final recommendation to the Grants Officer for award



### What documentation must a State provide?







### **Statutory SAPP Demonstrations**

- 1. The **(a)** technical capabilities to operate, and the **(b)** funding to support, the State RAN;
- 2. The ability to maintain ongoing interoperability with the NPSBN;
- The ability to complete the project within specified comparable timelines specific to the State;
- 4. The cost-effectiveness of the State plan; and
- 5. Comparable (a) security, (b) coverage, and (c) quality of service to that of the NPSBN.



## Demonstration 1.a: The Technical Capabilities to Operate

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#### Demonstration Standard

An applicant must demonstrate:

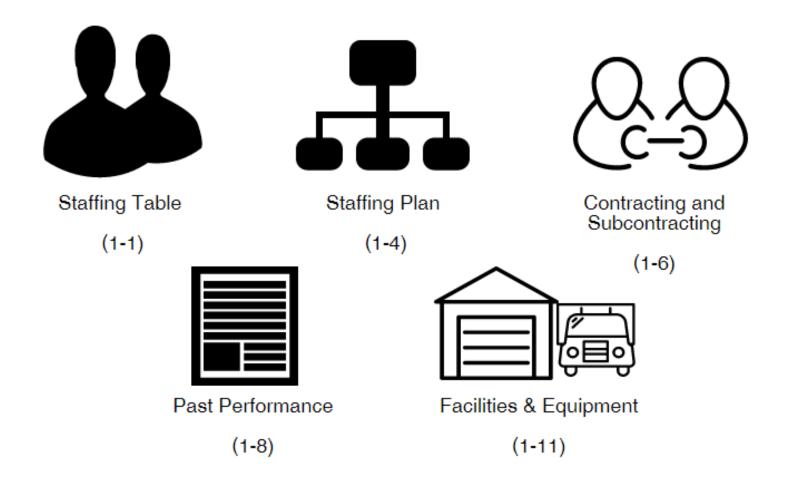
- The applicant's RAN Project staff has sufficient technical capability & experience, through State personnel and/or through its RAN partner, to effectively execute the RAN Project
- The applicant has the necessary equipment, facilities, and other infrastructure to effectively execute the RAN Project

There are 17 application elements for Demonstration 1.a



## Demonstration 1.a: The Technical Capabilities to Operate

#### Featured Demonstration Elements





## Demonstration 1.b: The Funding to Support the RAN

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#### **Demonstration Standard**

An applicant must demonstrate:

- The expected revenues from the operations of the RAN Project are sufficient to cover expected expenses, including payments to FirstNet, over time
- Provide sufficient rationale for revenue and expenditure assumptions, budget forecasts, risk analysis, spectrum valuation sources, and reinvestment plans to support the project budget

There are 13 application elements for Demonstration 1.b



## Demonstration 1.b: The Funding to Support the RAN

#### Featured Demonstration Elements

RAN Project Budget (1-18)

The RAN Project budget must comprehensively address all sources of revenues and expenditures for the duration of the SMLA with FirstNet. Please note: The RAN Project budget is for the lifetime of the RAN Project and is separate and distinct from the grant-funded construction budget.



#### Expected Revenues: Management/General Operations



- Projected subscriber fees
- Partner payments back to state
- State & local appropriations, bonds

- Anticipated RAN construction funding
- · Other revenue sources



#### Expenditures: Management/General Operations



Personnel

- User Acquisition Costs
- Network Operations

Contracts

- Testing & Certification
- Security

Construction

- Repairs & Maintenance
- Facilities

 Customer Care & Support OSS/BSS

Reserves



## Demonstration 1.b: The Funding to Support the RAN

#### Featured Demonstration Elements



Spectrum Monetization Assumptions

(1-20)



Service Offerings and Pricing

(1-21)



Mobile Virtual Network Operator (MVNO) Assumptions

(1-23)



Risk Analysis and Mitigation Plan for Projected Revenues and Expenditures

(1-26)



# Demonstration 2: Ongoing Interoperability with the NPSBN

(NOFO page 32) **Demonstration Standard** 

An applicant must demonstrate:

 The RAN Project, including all User Equipment (UE) and Customer Premises Equipment (CPE), RAN, Transport, and connection to the FirstNet Interconnect Point of Presence (POP) and the FirstNet core, complies with, and will comply with in the future, all applicable operability & interoperability requirements

There are 15 application elements for Demonstration 2



# Demonstration 2: Ongoing Interoperability with the NPSBN

#### Featured Demonstration Elements



Compliance with FirstNet Network Policies

(2-2)



OSS and BSS Interoperability

(2-5)



Ongoing Testing

(2-6)



Disaster Recovery Plan

(2-8)



State-Specific Challenges

(2-12)



# Demonstration 3: Comparable Timelines

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#### **Demonstration Standard**

#### An applicant must demonstrate:

- Its RAN Project construction will be performed within a timeframe comparable to that detailed in the FirstNet State Plan
- The RAN Project will include:
  - Incremental rural RAN Project milestones in each of the first five years after the timeframe start date
  - Rural RAN Project milestones will be comparable to those of the FirstNet State Plan and that those milestones are achieved within five years of the timeframe start date
  - The RAN will be technically consistent with the NPSBN state of evolution at the time of operation

There are 6 application elements for Demonstration 3



# Demonstration 3: Comparable Timelines Featured Demonstration Elements



State's RAN Construction Timeline

(3-1)



GIS Maps

(3-2)



Comparable Feature Sets

(3-5)



# Demonstration 4: Cost-Effectiveness of the State Plan

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#### **Demonstration Standard**

An applicant must demonstrate:

- The State is ready to construct, operate, maintain, and improve the State RAN for the project lifetime and provide the service public safety entities need, while also providing the payments to FirstNet to support the NPSBN
- Consistent with Section 6302(g) of the Act, 47 U.S.C. 1442(g), the State has planned to reinvest any revenues gained from its partner agreement(s) back into the State RAN

There are 3 application elements for Demonstration 4



# Demonstration 4: Cost-Effectiveness of the State Plan Featured Demonstration Elements



Reinvestment in the Network

(4-1)





(4-2)

(4-3)



# Demonstration 5a: Comparable Security to the NPSBN

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#### **Demonstration Standard**

An applicant must demonstrate:

 It can, at cyber and physical levels, provide network security comparable to that required for the NPSBN and in FirstNet's network policies

There are 9 application elements for Demonstration 5.a



# Demonstration 5a: Comparable Security to that of the NPSBN Featured Demonstration Elements



Security Architecture

(5-1)



Credentialing

(5-6)



Physical Security

(5-7)



Cybersecurity Plan Incident Response

(5-8)



# Demonstration 5b: Comparable Coverage to the NPSBN

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#### Demonstration Standard

An applicant must demonstrate:

 The State-operated RAN will deliver comparable broadband service coverage and capacity to what FirstNet will provide to all public safety subscribers on the NPSBN

There are 3 application elements for Demonstration 5.b



# Demonstration 5b: Comparable Coverage to the NPSBN Featured Demonstration Elements



Coverage and Capacity (5-11)



FOC Coverage Map (5-12)



# Demonstration 5c: Comparable Quality of Service to the NPSBN (NOFO page 38)

#### **Demonstration Standard**

An applicant must demonstrate:

 Public safety users on the State-operated RAN will have comparable user experiences and system reliability to public safety subscribers across the rest of the NPSBN. Network performance metrics, response, and resolution times related to network outages, and customer service processes must be comparable to the FirstNet offering. For purposes of this demonstration, quality of service is defined as comparable user experiences and system reliability to that of the NPSBN.

There are 6 application elements for Demonstration 5.c



# Demonstration 5c: Comparable Quality of Service to the NPSBN Featured Demonstration Elements



Basic Network Services (5-13)



Network Performance Metrics

(5-15)



Customer Service and Help Desk

(5-14)



Monitoring Network Performance

(5-16)



#### **Criteria for RAN Construction Grant Funds**

#### An applicant must provide:



**Budget Narrative** 



Budget Detail Spreadsheet



## **Questions?**

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