
MSCommNet
Briefing and
Interoperability
Demonstration
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Public Safety and
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Harris Overview

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International



Public Safety



Broadcast Communications



Government Communications Systems

Defense Programs



National Programs



Civil Programs

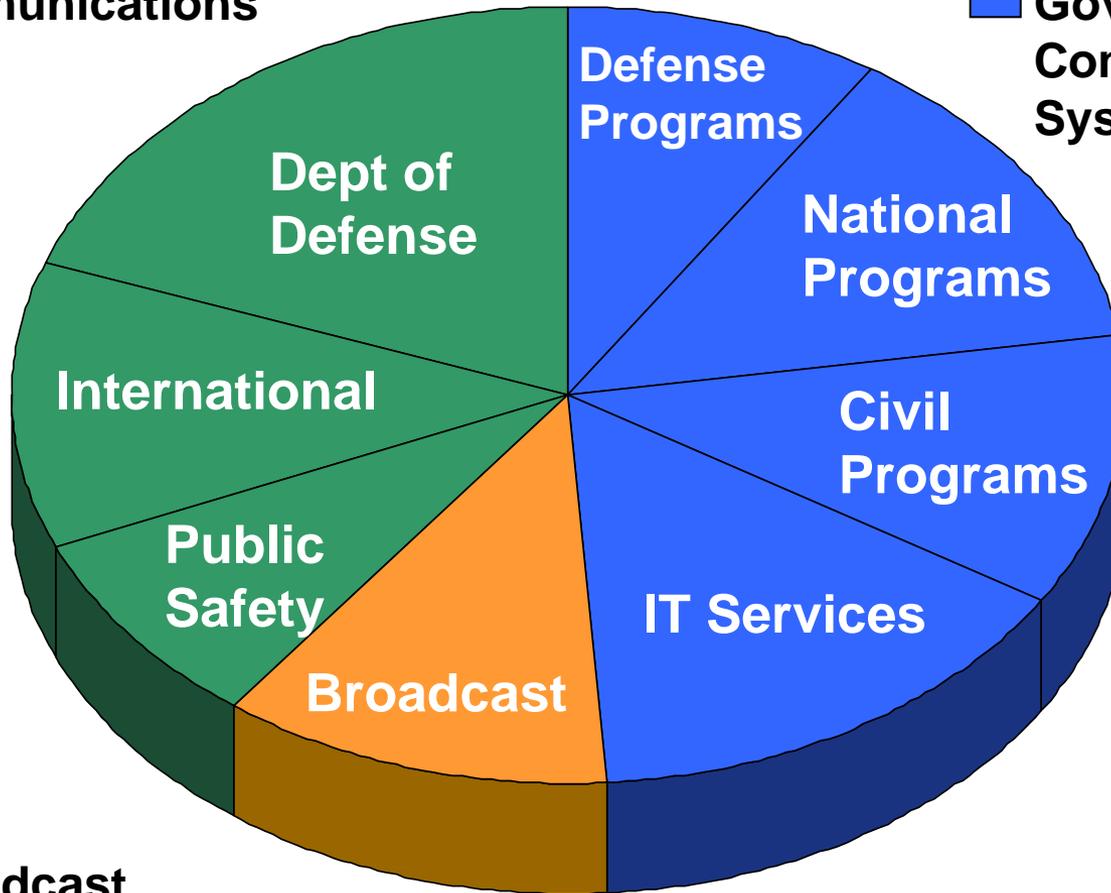


IT Services



■ RF Communications

■ Government Communications Systems



■ Broadcast Communications

Public Safety and Professional Communications



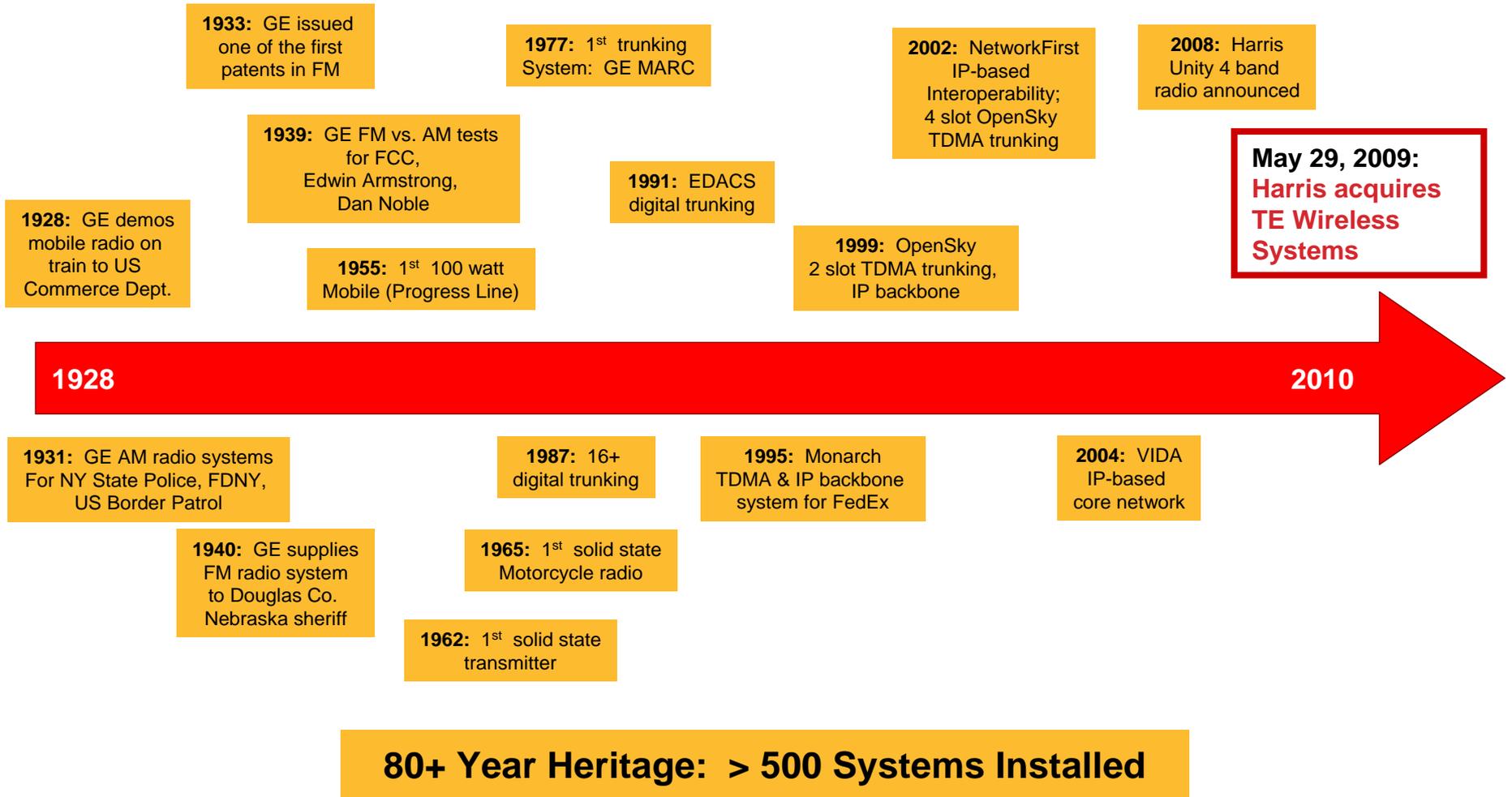
PSPC: Who We Are...



- Approximately 1200 employees
- Several locations – R&D, Operations, Administration, Customer Training and Support
 - Rochester, New York
 - Lynchburg, Virginia
 - Chelmsford, Massachusetts
 - R&D Center and Operations Center in Canada
 - Sales offices
 - Service Centers
- Extensive North American dealer network
- Extensive Harris distributor network internationally



More Than 80 Years of Innovation



PSPC Key Markets



Public Safety / Public Service



Federal



Utility



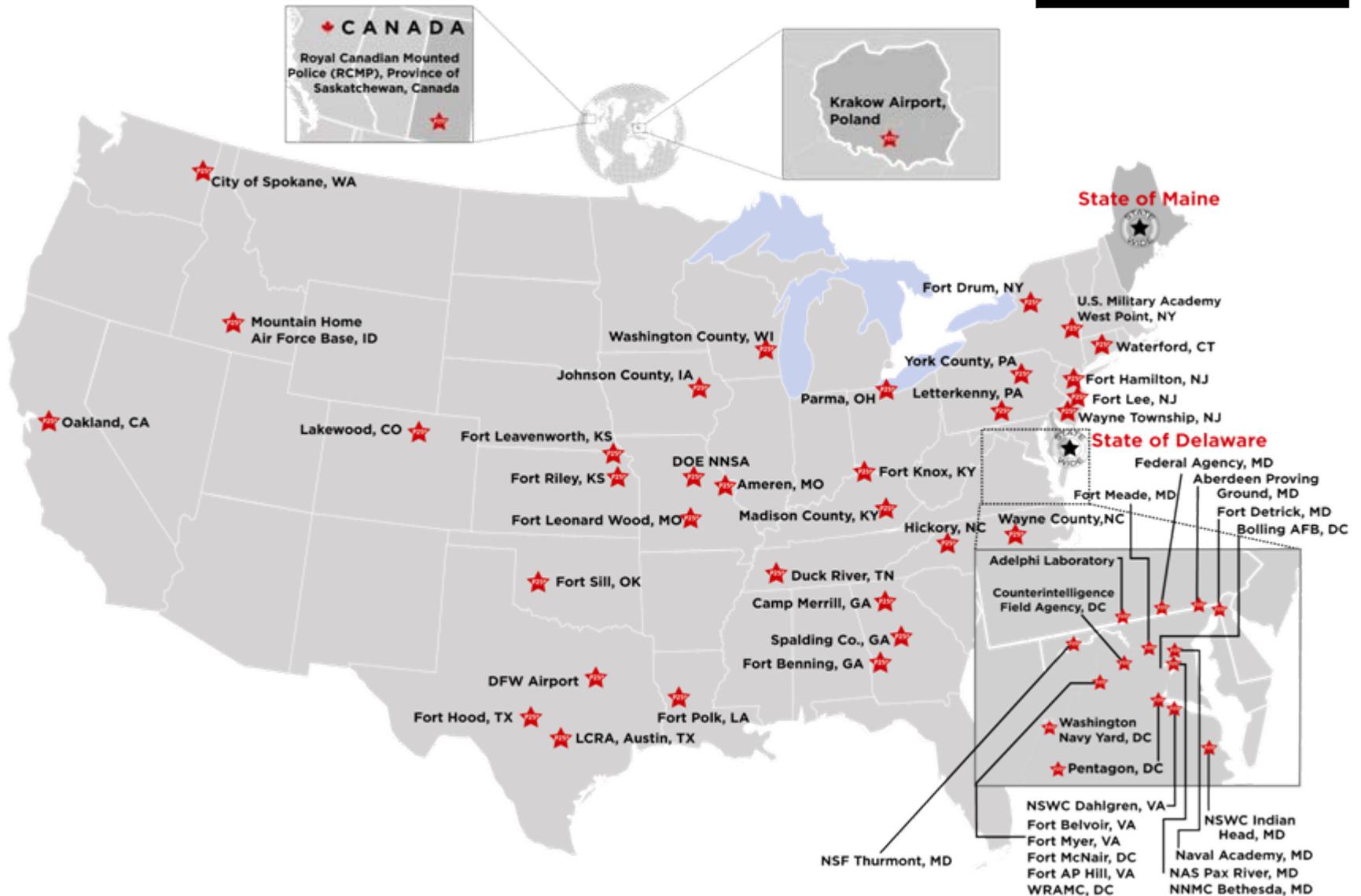
Transportation



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Harris P25^{IP} Customers





State of Maine

- OIT Radio Operations
- Building Control
- Maine Turnpike Authority

County Government

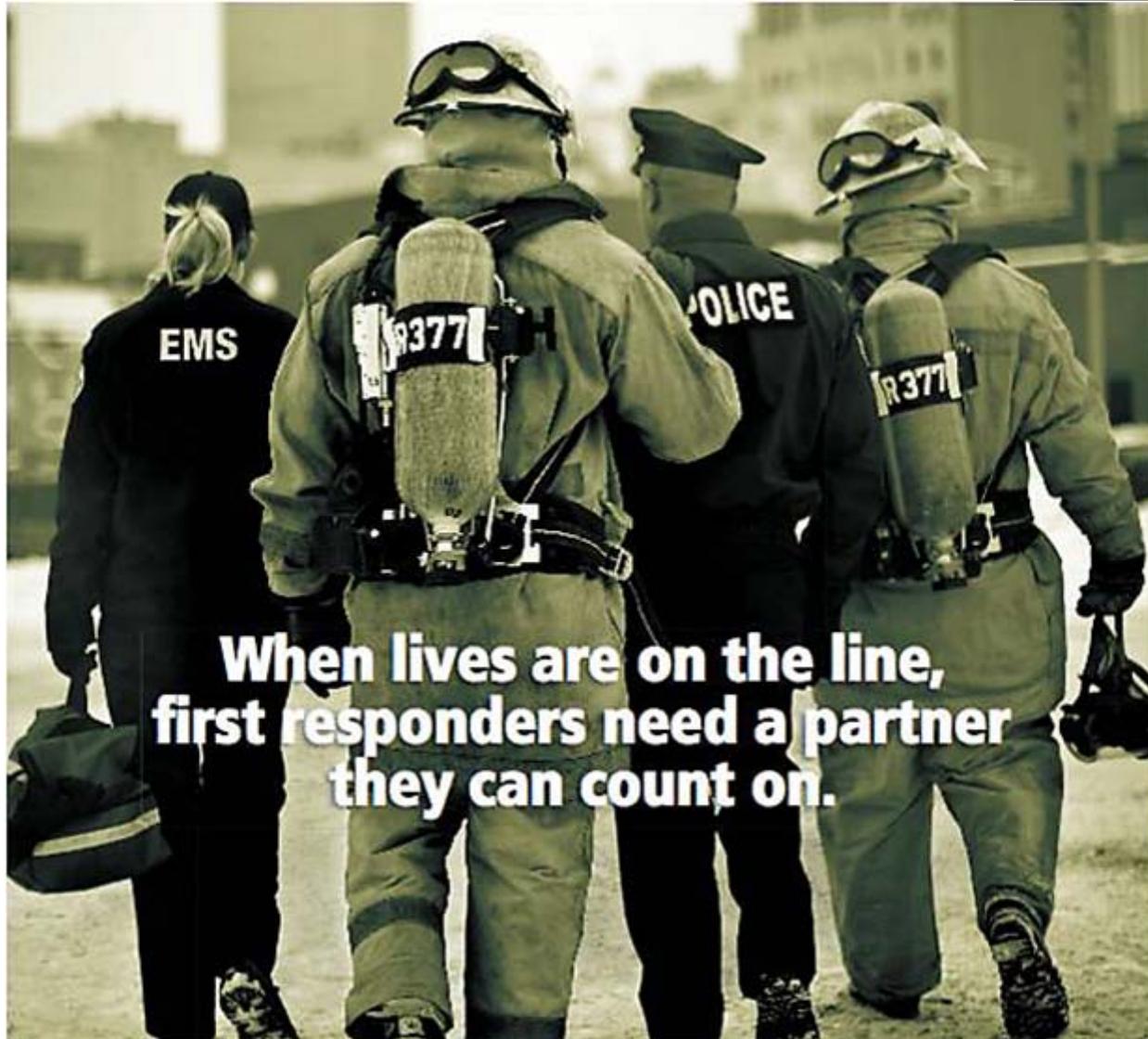
- Androscoggin
- Cumberland
- Knox
- Lincoln
- Sagadahoc

Local Government

- Baldwin Fire
- Bridgton Police
- Bridgton Fire
- Falmouth Police
- Falmouth Fire
- Gray Fire
- Gorham Police
- Gorham Fire
- Hollis Fire
- Portland Water District
- Raymond Fire
- Windham Police
- Windham Fire

43 Maine Hospitals

St. Lawrence & Atlantic Railroad

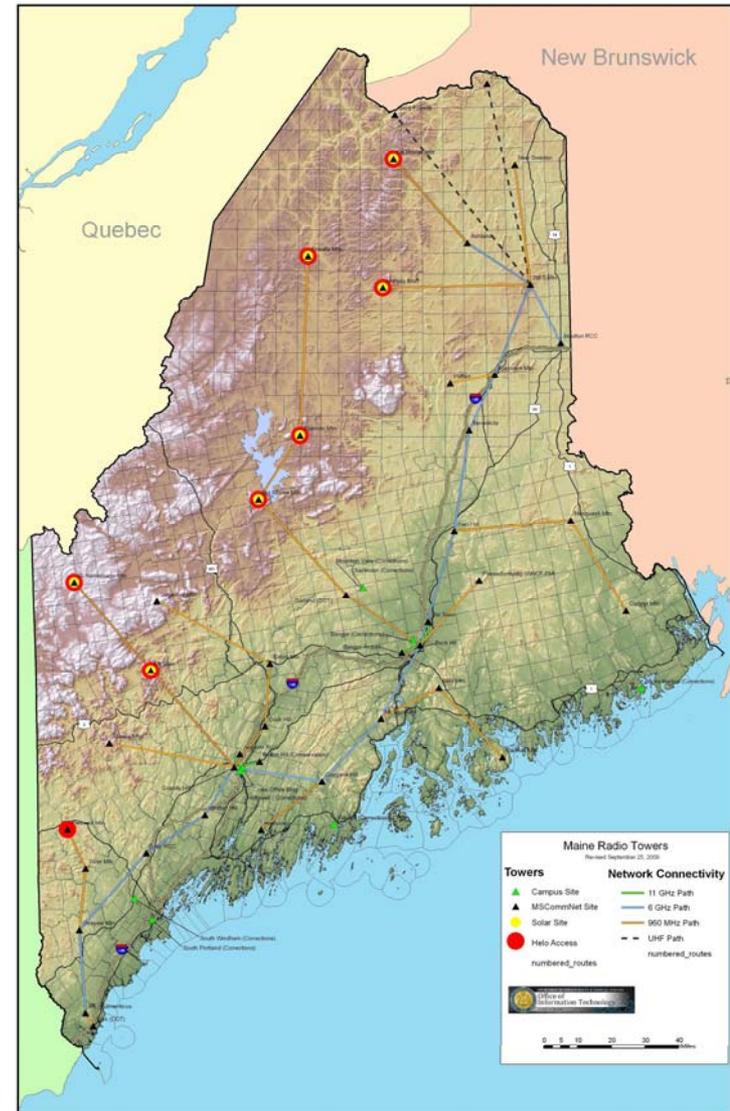


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Land Mobile Radio (LMR) Overview and MSCommNet Interoperability Demonstration

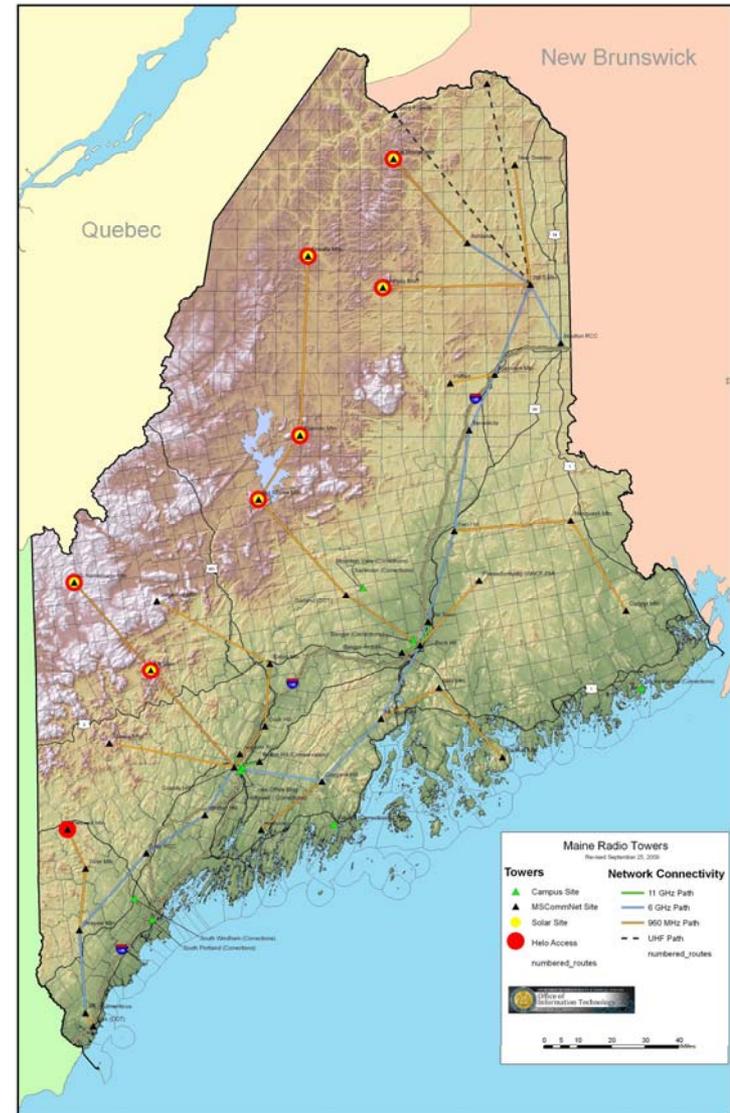
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What is MSCommNet?



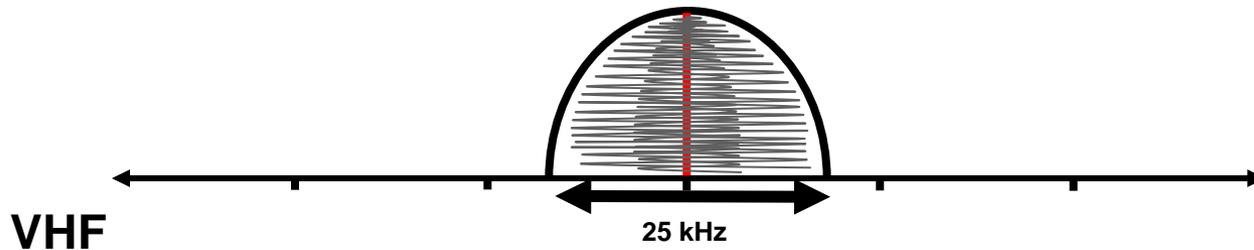
- A statewide digital radio system for State of Maine agencies
- Standards-based technology
 - Internet Protocol network
 - 40 Transmitter sites
 - Microwave interconnectivity
 - P25 radios
- Provides interoperability with local public safety agencies using existing analog equipment



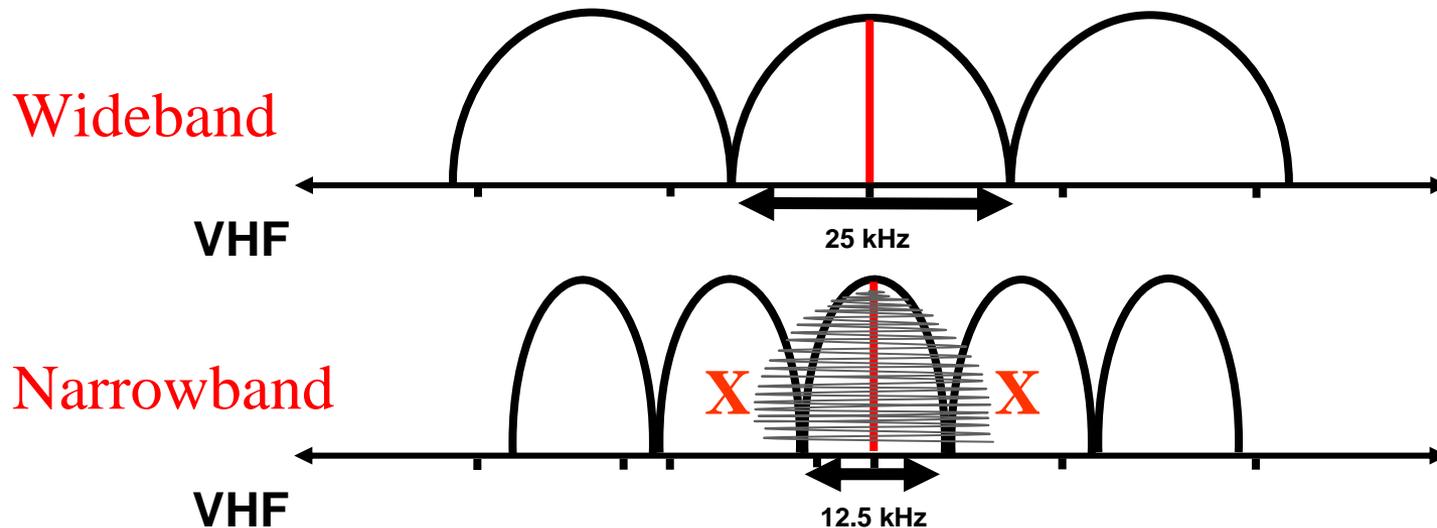
- Narrowbanding
- P25
- IP (Internet Protocol)
- Analog
- Digital
- Conventional
- Trunked
- Interoperability

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- Association of Public Safety Communications Officials International
- Project 25 – a user driven **standard**
 - Improved interoperability
 - Multi-source procurement
- Current Status
 - Multiple suppliers of systems
 - Large number of radio suppliers
- DHS Compliance Assessment Program



- A **standard** protocol used to communicate data across a network
- Data “packets” can be sent from one device to another
- Sending voice communications using internet protocol is known as VoIP
- Each device on an IP network has an IP address
- IP networks are used in public safety communications networks to link radio sites that are spread over large areas
- IP networks are “Scalable”



Analog vs. Digital



Single Use Device

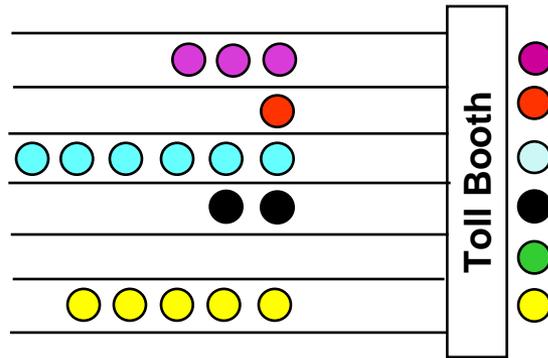
Multi-media Terminal



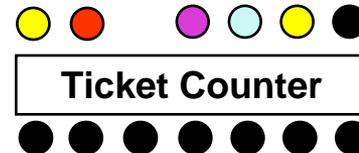
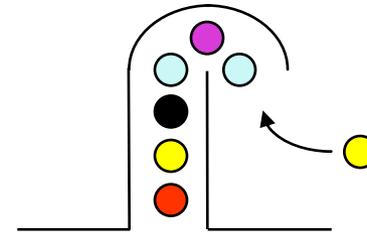
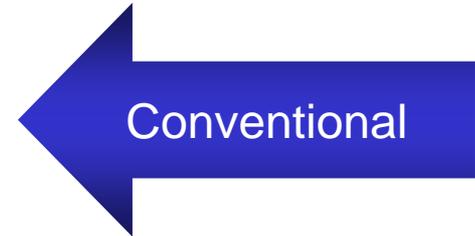
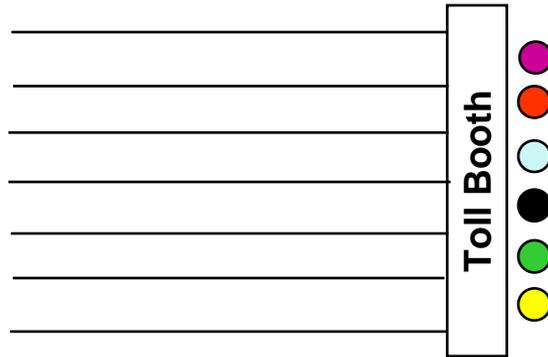
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Conventional Radio Operation



- Frequencies are programmed into each channel
- Selector knob position determines frequency used
- Groups of users are assigned to frequencies
- Channel 1 may be busy while channel 7 or 8 are unused

	Channel	Freq.
SP Zone 1	1	150 MHz
SP Zone 2	2	151 MHz
SP Zone 3	3	152 MHz
SP Zone 4	4	153 MHz
Marine Res.	5	154 MHz
MEMA	6	155 MHz
IF&W	7	156 MHz
Conservation	8	157 MHz
Sheriff	9	158 MHz
Fire	10	159 MHz
Car to Car	11	160 MHz

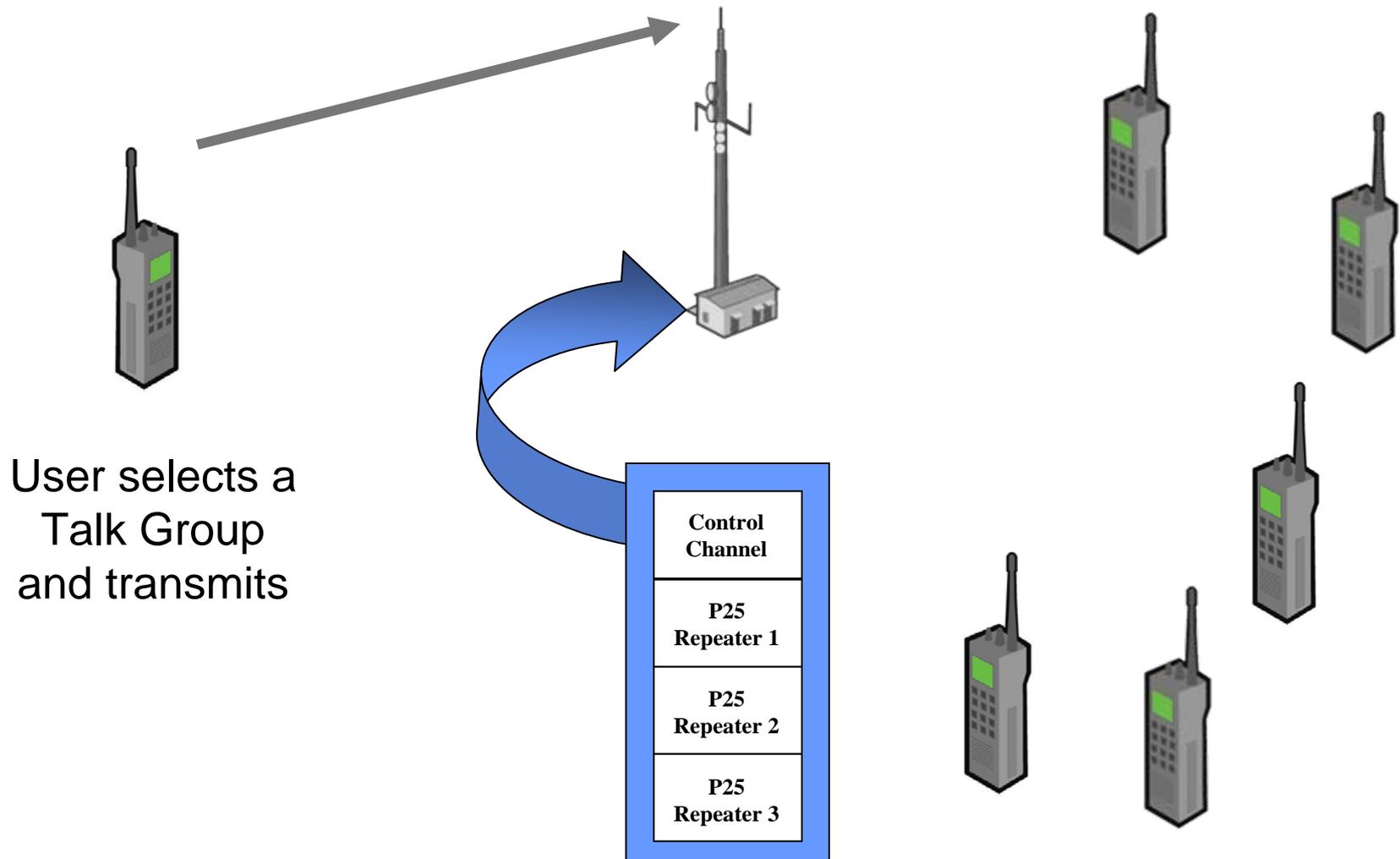


- Selector knob position determines 'Talk Group'
- Talk Groups are logical groups of users
- A System Administrator creates Talk Groups
- The 'next available' frequency is used for each transmission

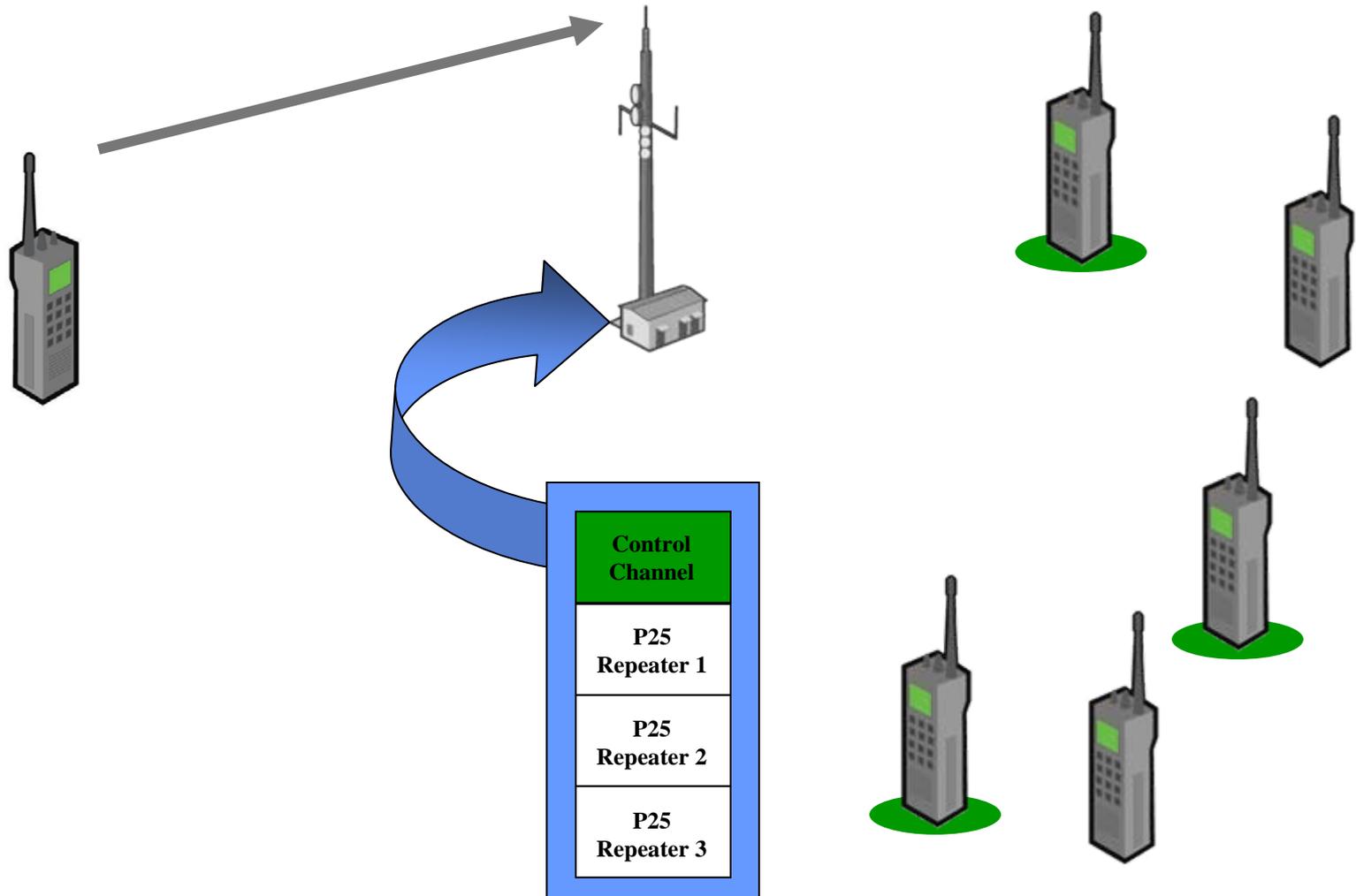
	Talk Group	Freq.
SP Zone 1	1	dynamic
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SP Zone 3	3	dynamic
SP Zone 4	4	dynamic
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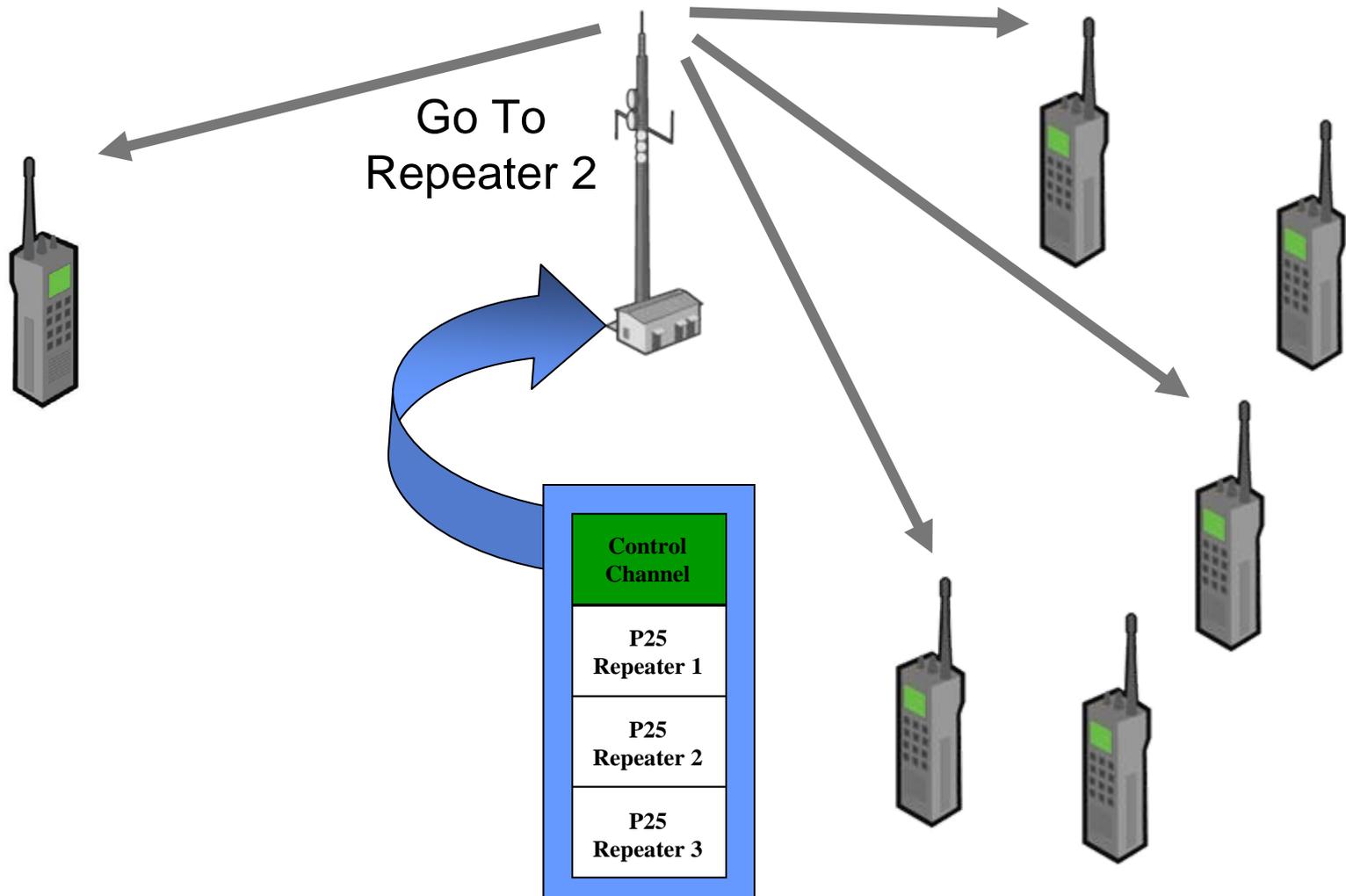
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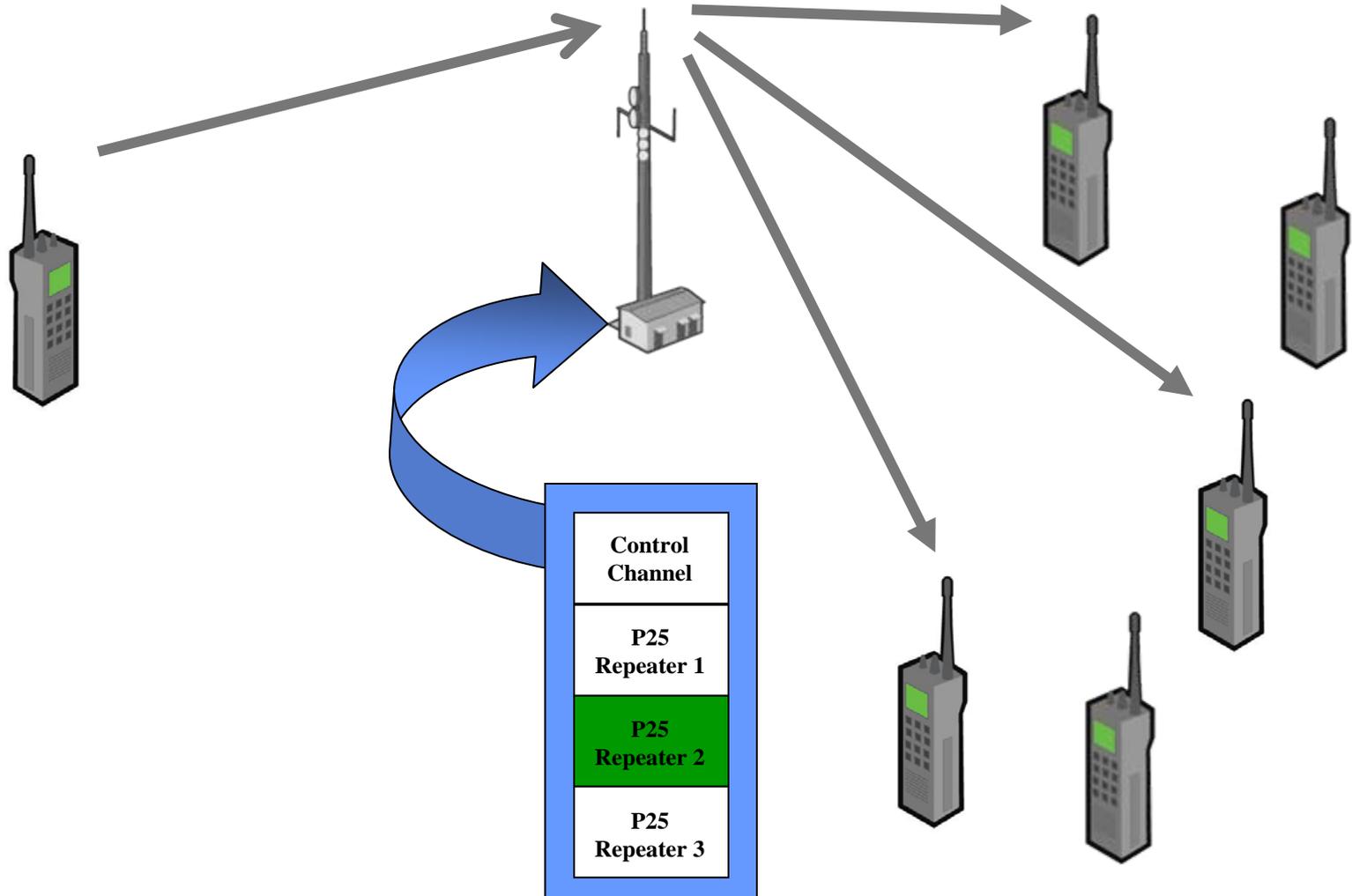
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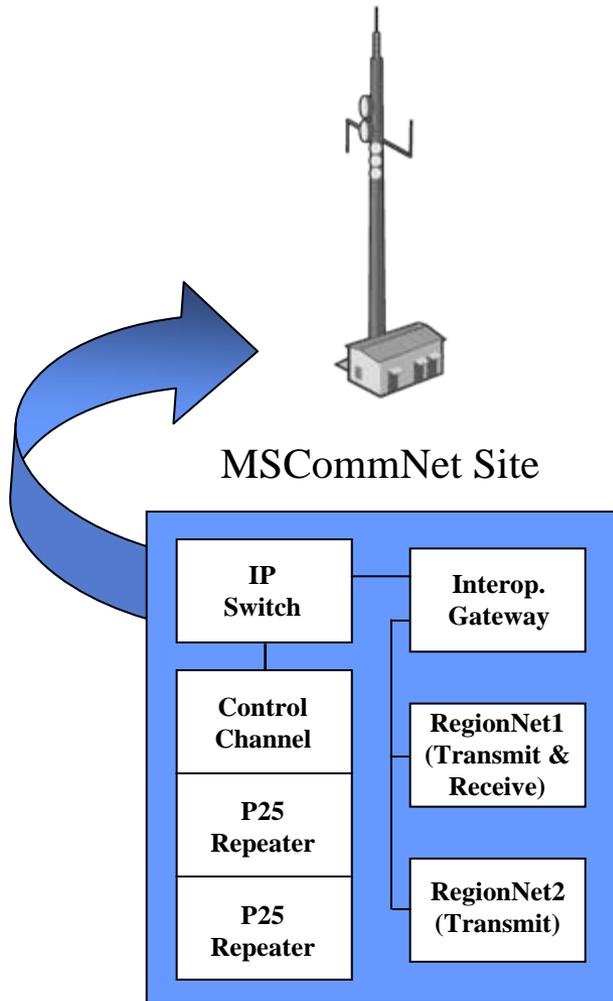


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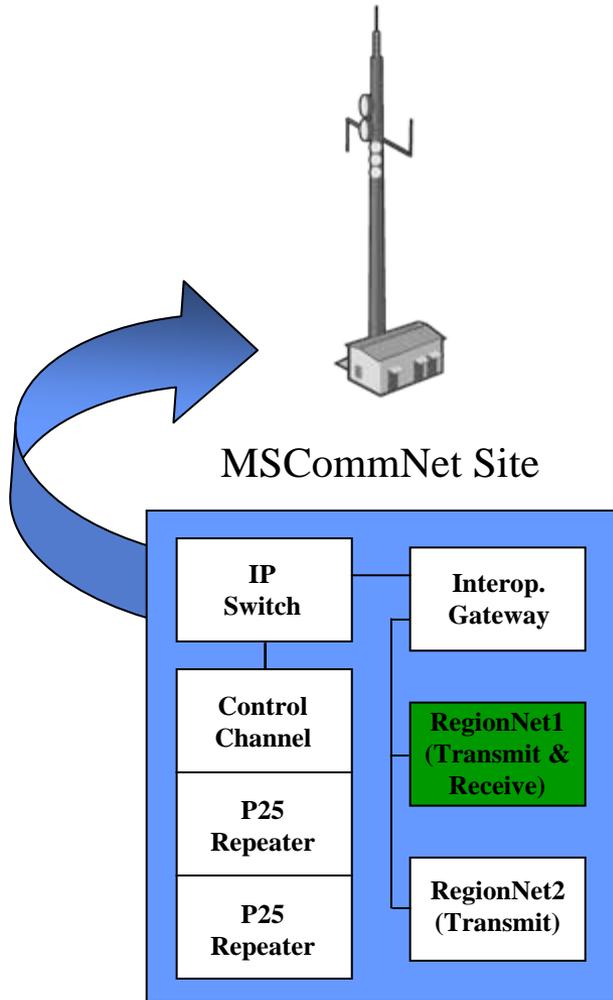


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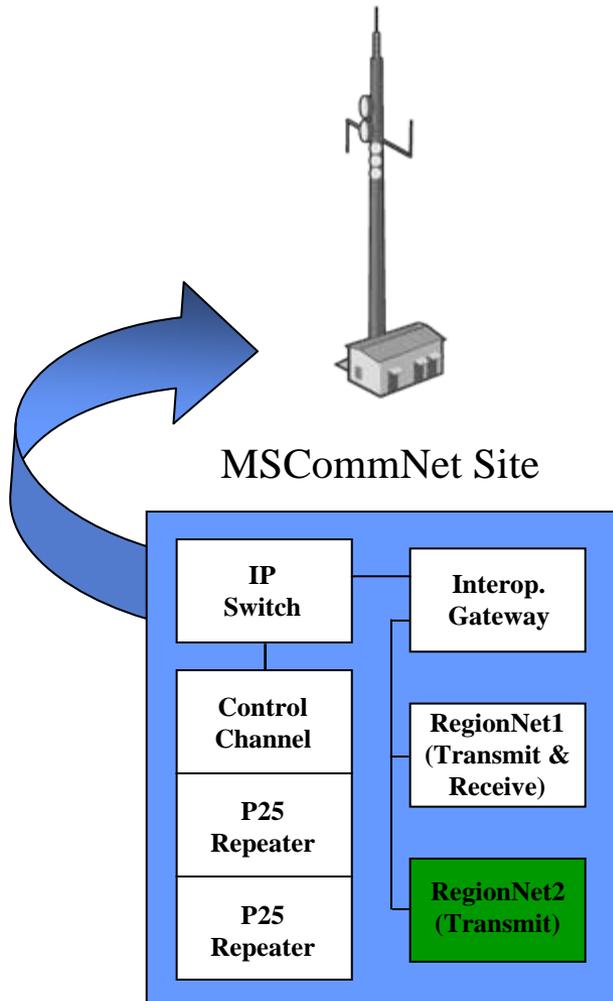




- Communication between State and local agencies
 - State Police
 - Marine Resources
 - Emergency Management
 - IF&W
 - Conservation
 - County Sheriff
 - Local Police
 - Local Fire Department

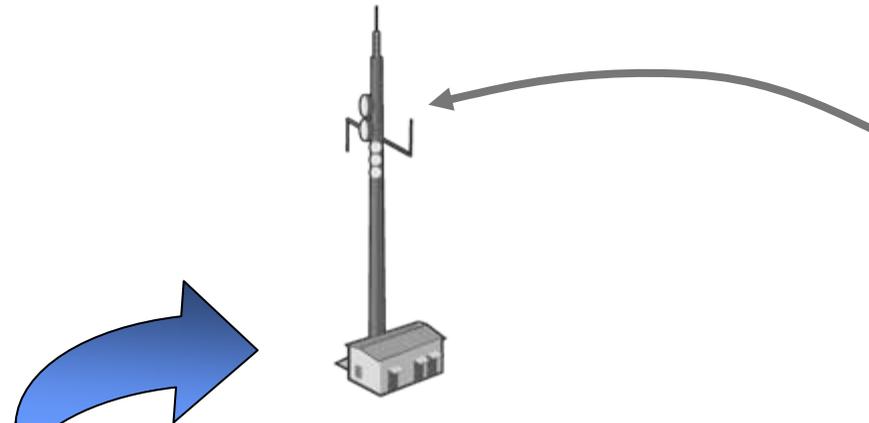


- RegionNet1
 - Conventional analog radio
 - Connected to MSCoMMNet through an Interoperability Gateway
 - Interoperability Gateway converts
 - Digital signals to analog
 - Analog signals to digital
 - Allows local agencies to communicate with State agencies

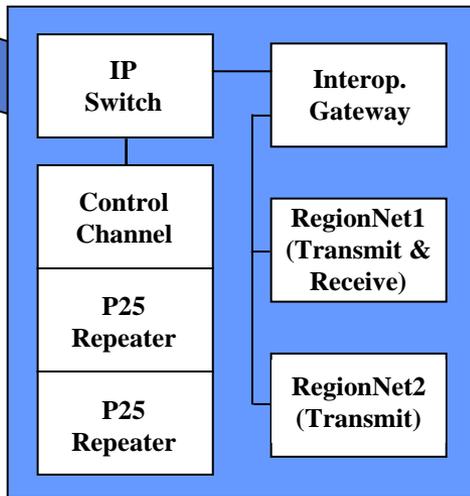


- RegionNet2
 - Conventional analog radio
 - Connected to MSCommNet through an Interoperability Gateway
 - Interoperability Gateway converts
 - Digital signals to analog
 - Allows local agencies to monitor State agency communications

Interoperability



MSCommNet Site

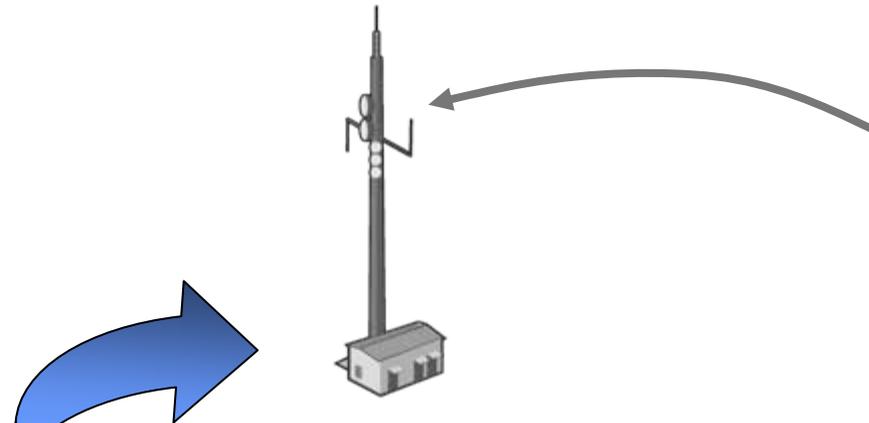


State Trooper

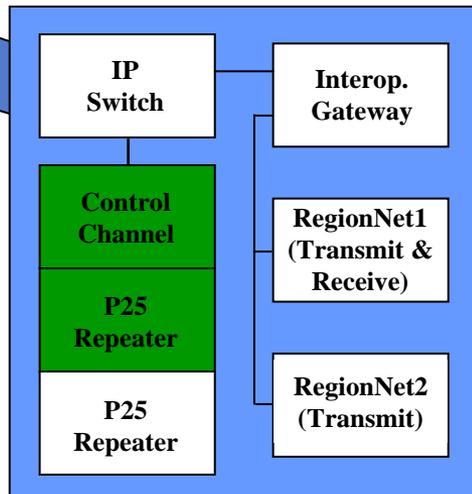


County Sheriff

Interoperability



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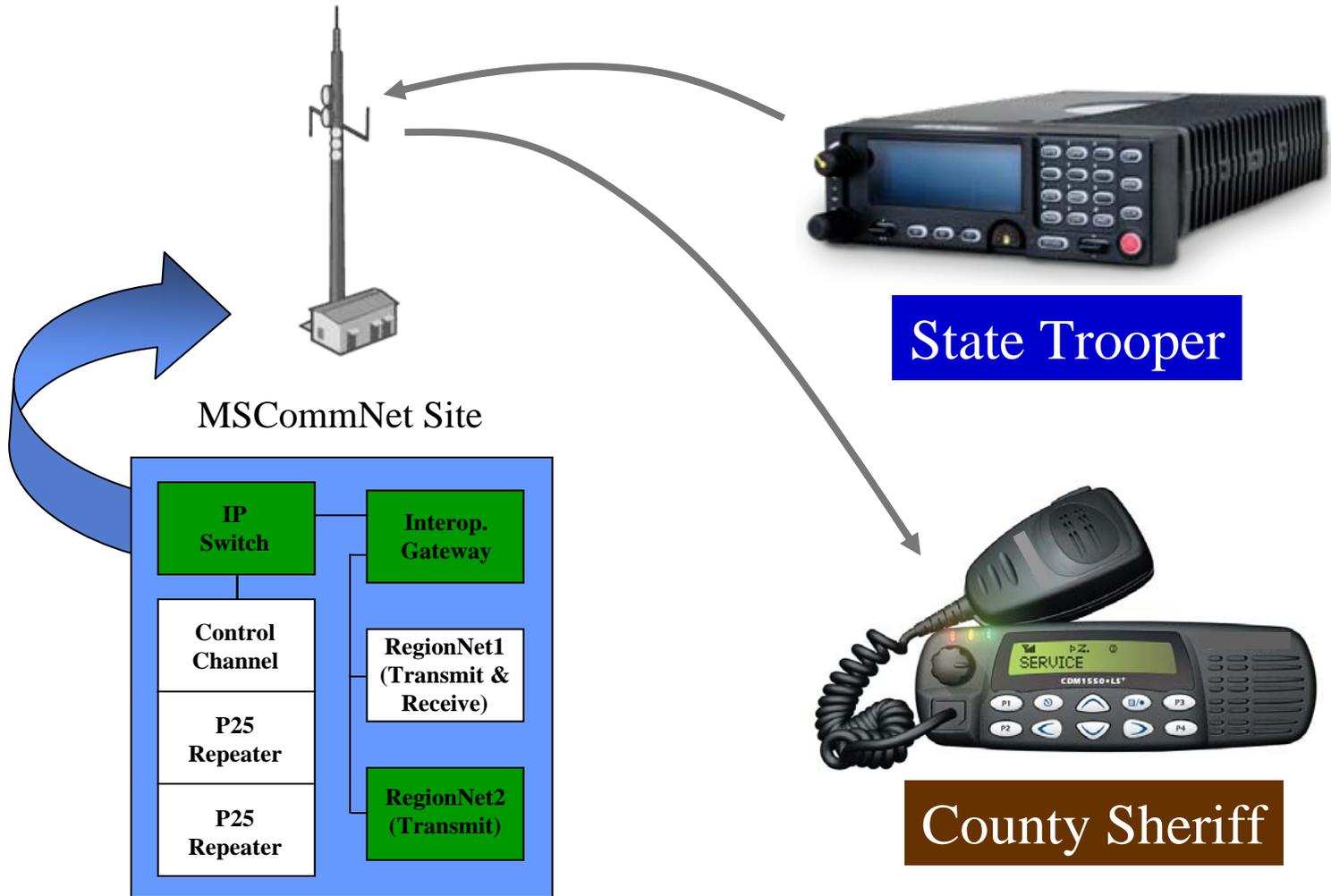


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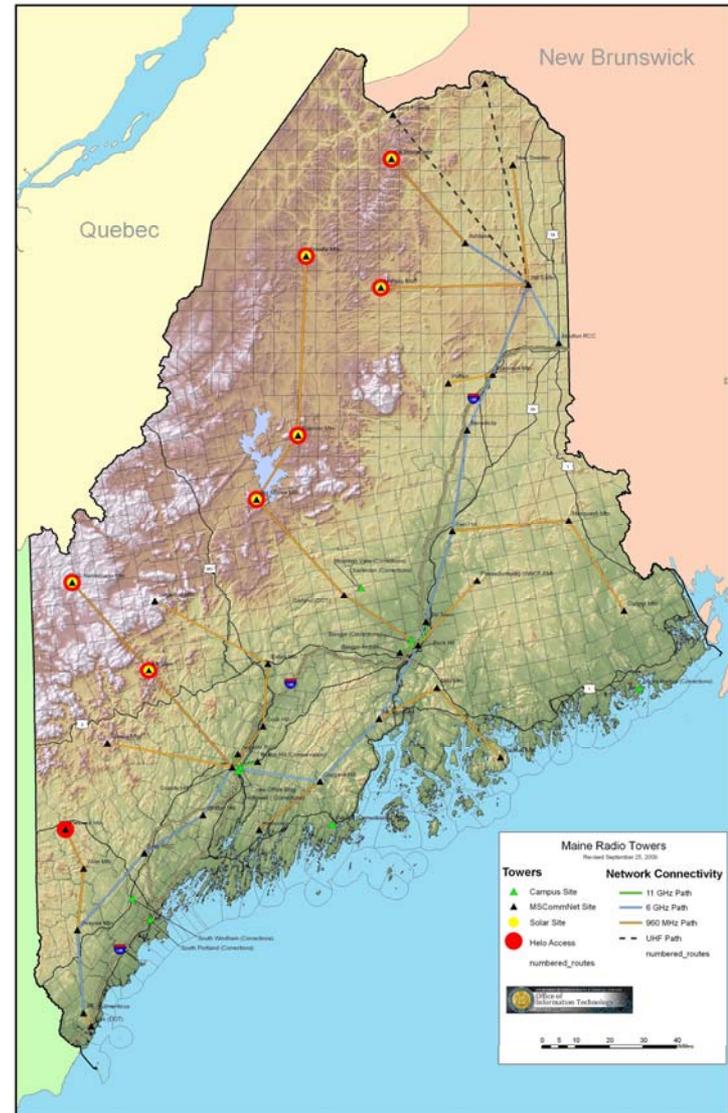
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MSCommNet Interoperability Demonstration





- Software Defined
- Multimode
- Future Ready
- Backward Compatible



1. State Police call County Sheriff using the statewide “car-to-car” analog conventional channel
2. County Sheriff monitors State Police communication
3. State Police monitor Local Fire Department
4. State Police call County Sheriff using MSCCommNet

Interoperability Scenario #1

Statewide Car-to-Car



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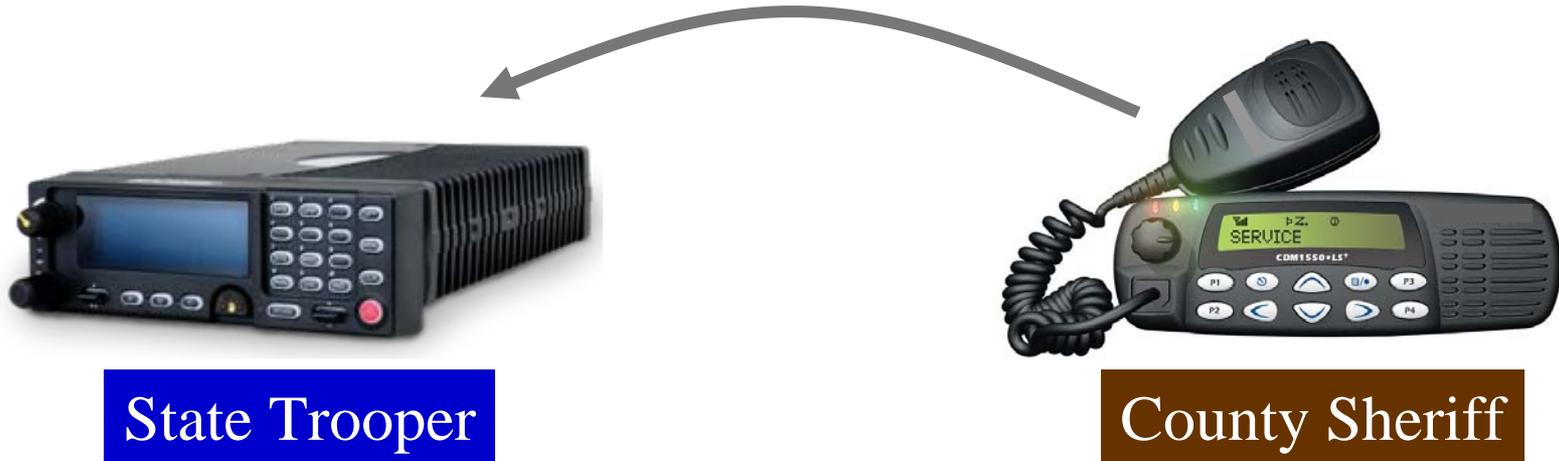
Statewide Car-to-Car



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2. Trooper changes to statewide car-to-car analog conventional channel
3. Trooper places call

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3. Trooper places call
4. Sheriff is scanning conventional channels
5. Sheriff receives call on statewide car-to-car channel and responds

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3. Trooper places call
4. Sheriff is scanning conventional channels
5. Sheriff receives call on statewide car-to-car channel and responds
6. Trooper acknowledges response
7. Trooper returns to MSCommNet State Police talk group

Interoperability Scenario #1

Statewide Car-to-Car



State Trooper

MSCommNet radios are “multi-mode” radios capable of operation in P25 trunking mode and conventional analog mode.

State Police can select MSCommNet system talk groups or car-to-car channels.

The statewide car-to-car channel is programmed into state and local agency radios.

Improved statewide communication while preserving local interoperability

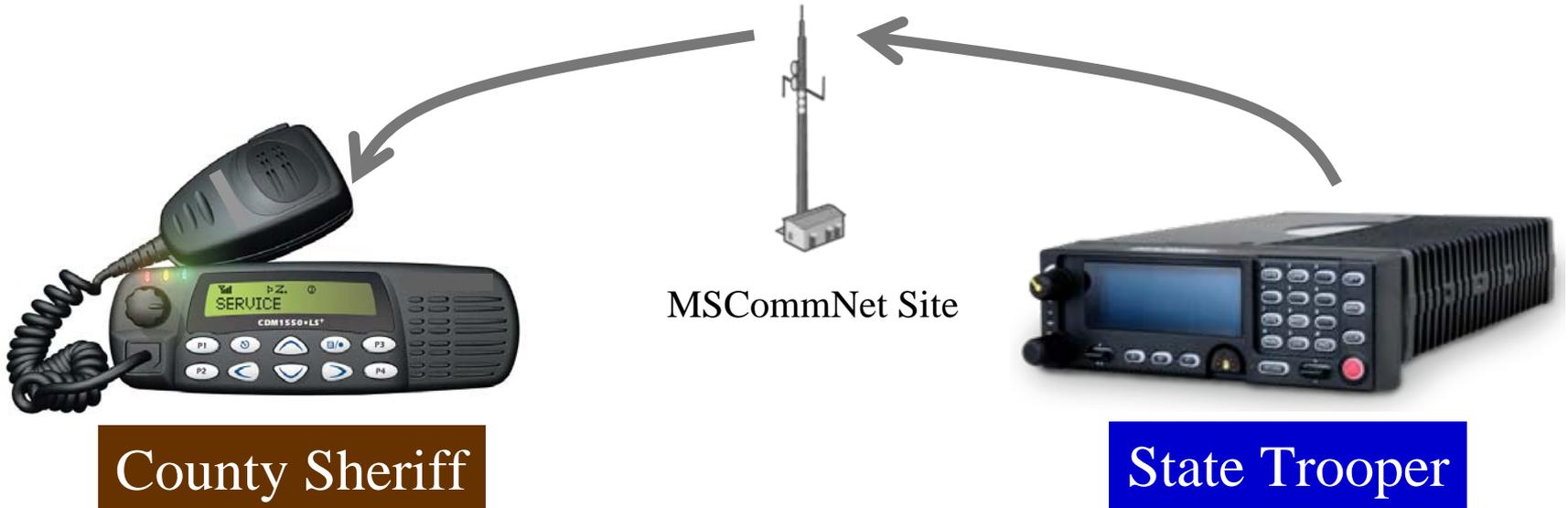
Interoperability Scenario #2

County Sheriff monitors State Police



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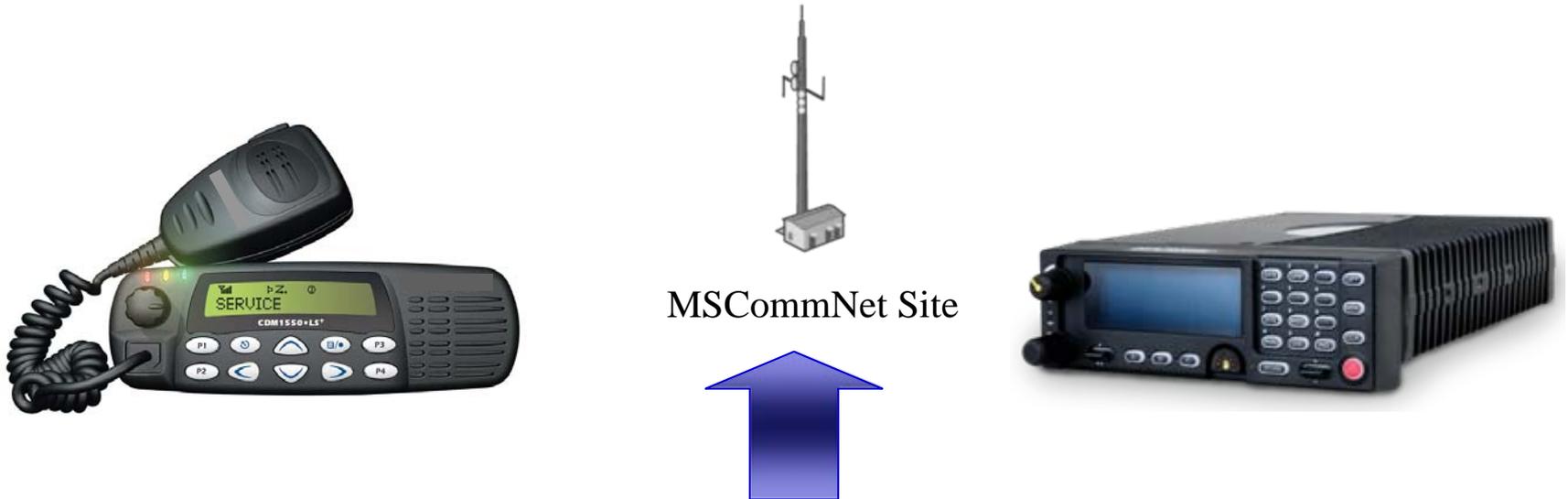
County Sheriff monitors State Police



1. Sheriff wants to monitor State Police communications
2. Sheriff's radio includes RegionNet2 channel in scan list
3. Sheriff's radio automatically scans to RegionNet2
4. Sheriff successfully monitors State Police communications

Interoperability Scenario #2

County Sheriff monitors State Police



RegionNet2 is a conventional analog radio located at the MSCommNet transmitter site.

RegionNet2 broadcasts the primary public safety talk group on conventional analog channels to allow monitoring of State Police communications by local agencies.

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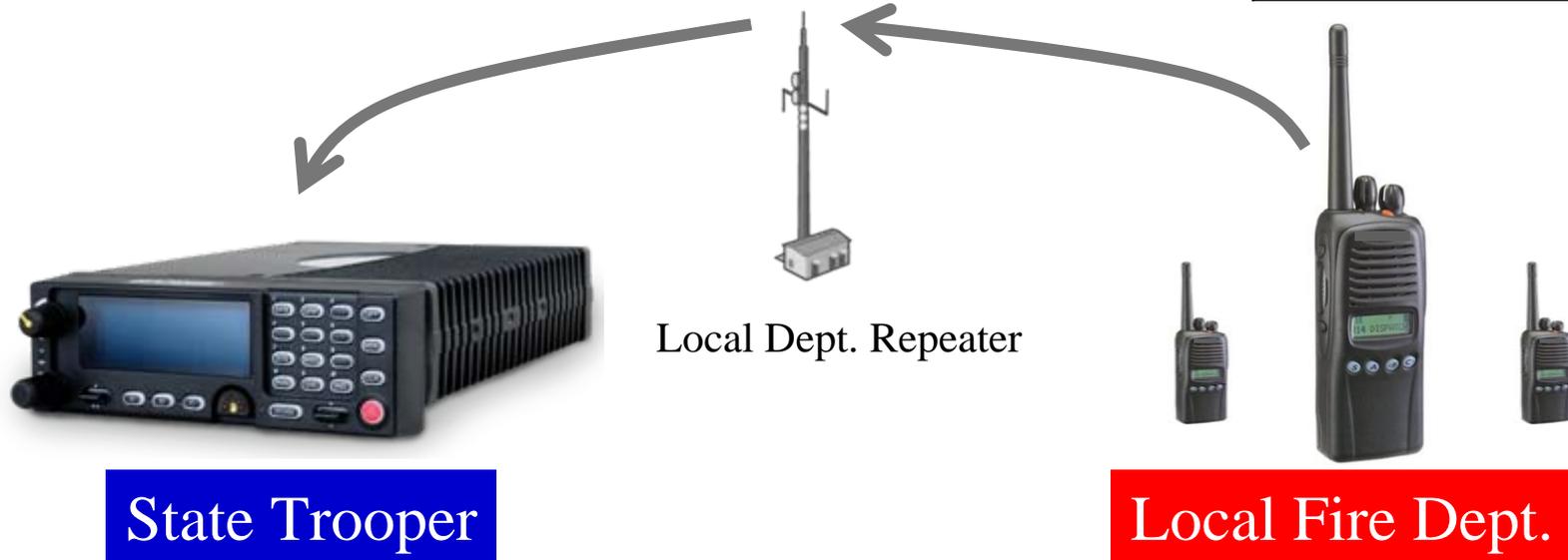
Interoperability Scenario #3

State Police monitor Local Fire Dept.



Interoperability Scenario #3

State Police monitor Local Fire Dept.



1. Trooper working on MSCommNet State Police talk group with conventional scanning turned on
2. Local Fire Department places call on their conventional channel
3. Trooper's radio "scans" to the conventional channel and receives the call

Interoperability Scenario #3

State Police monitor Local Fire Dept.



State Trooper



Local Dept. Repeater



Local Fire Dept.

1. Trooper working on MSCommNet State Police talk group with conventional scanning turned on
2. Local Fire Department places call on their conventional channel
3. Trooper's radio "scans" to the conventional channel and receives the call
4. Trooper's radio remains on the conventional channel for a specified time to allow the Trooper to reply to the Fire Department
5. Trooper's radio returns to MSCommNet State Police talk group



State Trooper

Trooper radios are able to scan local conventional channels while operating on the MSCommNet trunked digital system.

When an MSCommNet radio “hears” a message on a channel that is stored in its scan list, it temporarily switches to the conventional channel.

The radio will remain on the conventional channel until the conversation is completed and then return to the MSCommNet system.

**Improved statewide communication while
preserving local interoperability**

Interoperability Scenario #4

State Police calls County Sheriff



Interoperability Scenario #4

State Police calls County Sheriff



1. Trooper places a call for assistance on the MSCommNet primary public safety talk group
2. Sheriff receives the call from Trooper on RegionNet2

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State Police calls County Sheriff



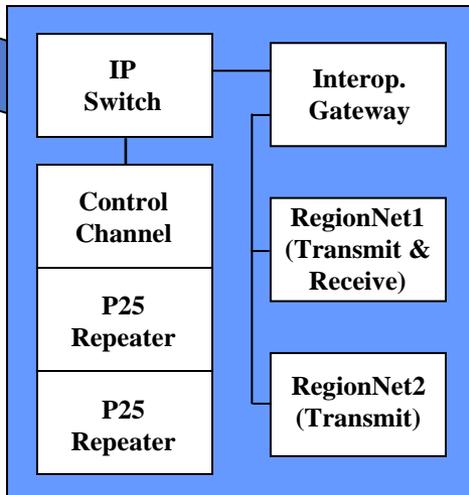
1. Trooper places a call for assistance on the MSCommNet primary public safety talk group
2. Sheriff receives the call from Trooper on RegionNet2
3. Sheriff selects RegionNet1 channel and replies to Trooper
4. Trooper receives the call from the Sheriff on the RegionNet1 trunked talk group

Interoperability Scenario #4

State Police calls County Sheriff



MSCommNet Site



MSCommNet sites include RegionNet1 and RegionNet2 repeaters connected to the P25 system through an Interoperability Gateway.

The Interoperability Gateway converts P25 digital calls to analog conventional calls.

RegionNet2 re-broadcasts the MSCommNet primary public safety talk group on a conventional channel to allow local, analog users to monitor State Police calls.

RegionNet1 allows analog conventional users to send and receive messages to MSCommNet P25 users.

Four Scenarios



- Mature Technology
- Standards-based
 - Internet Protocol Network
 - APCO P25
- Multiple Levels of Interoperability
 - IP Network
 - Interoperability Gateway with RegionNet 1 and RegionNet 2 Radios
 - Multimode radios
 - Wideband Analog
 - Narrowband Analog
 - Narrowband Digital

Thank You

