

FloridaNet Hosting Statewide Listening Sessions on FirstNet (National Public Safety Broadband Network/D-Block)



Overview:

The First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) as an independent authority within National Telecommunications & Information Administration, to provide emergency responders with the first high-speed, nationwide network dedicated to public safety. FirstNet promises to provide emergency responders with the first nationwide, high-speed network dedicated to public safety. The broadband data network fulfills a fundamental need of the public safety community and a key recommendation of the 9/11 Commission. Creating FirstNet will require an unprecedented level of public-private partnership, and collaboration.

Governor Scott approved the creation of the FloridaNet Executive Committee to oversee the efforts involved in assessing Florida’s strategy for connecting with a Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network – called FirstNet. The FloridaNet Executive Committee will ensure broad participation of the public safety community and its private sector partners in Florida’s efforts to plan for FirstNet implementation, including system design, operation, and governance.

FloridaNet is expected to provide an interoperable, state-wide, public safety data network linking public safety agencies across the state. Agencies benefiting from FloridaNet will likely include law enforcement, emergency management, fire service, public works, health, Tribal public safety agencies, emergency medical services, and others.

Listening Sessions:

FloridaNet is hosting a series of statewide listening sessions to brief first responders, public safety technologists, and government leaders on FirstNet.

Purpose:

- The workshops will provide an overview of FloridaNet’s response to FirstNet.
- We will gather input from all participants on developing FloridaNet’s response.

Format:

- 4 three-hour workshops will be conducted over 2 days at each location.

Morning Workshop	Topic	Afternoon Workshop
8:00am	Registration for non-preregistered participants	12:30pm
8:30am	Welcome and Overview	1:00pm
8:45am	Introductions to FloridaNet & Planning Process	1:15pm
9:30am	Questions from the Audience	2:00pm
10:00am	Overview of FirstNet	2:30pm
10:30am	Break	3:00pm
10:45am	Questions	3:15pm
11:00am	How can I Participate in FloridaNet?	3:30pm
11:30am	Adjourn	4:00pm

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You may attend any three-hour session that is convenient, in any location.

Jacksonville	February 25 & 26	FL Dept. Of Transportation 2198 Edison Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32204
Tallahassee	February 27 & 28	Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy 85 Academy Dr., Havana, FL 32333
Pensacola	March 6 & 7	Hilton Garden 1144 Airport Blvd, Pensacola, FL 32504
West Palm Beach	March 10 & 11	Doubletree by Hilton Deerfield Beach 100 Fairway Drive Deerfield Beach, FL 33441
Tampa	March 13 & 14	Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office 2214 N Falkenburg Road, Tampa, FL 33619
Punta Gorda	March 17 & 18	Charlotte Harbor Event & Conference Center 75 Taylor Street Punta Gorda, FL 33950
Miami	March 19 & 20	FDLE - Mimai Regional Operations Center 1030 NW 111th Avenue, Miami, FL 33172
Orlando	March 31 & April 1	Turkey Lake Service Plaza Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Mile Post 263 Administration Building 5315 Ocoee, FL 34761
State Wide WebEx	April 8	Registration