

<p style="text-align: center;">REGIONAL WIRELESS COOPERATIVE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Regional Wireless Cooperative</p>
	<p><b>No.</b> <b>A-10.10</b></p>
<p><b>Subject:</b> <b>Talkgroup Plan Approval Procedure</b></p>	<p><b>Effective Date:</b> <b>7/28/10</b> <b>Rev: 2/8/18</b></p>

### 1.0 Purpose

1.1. The purpose of this procedure is to establish a process for talkgroup plan approval.

### 2.0 Owner

2.1. Regional Wireless Cooperative (RWC) Operations Working Group (OWG)

### 3.0 Applies To

3.1. This applies to all members, interoperability participants and entities otherwise having subscribers using the operational capabilities of the RWC.

### 4.0 Background

4.1. A talkgroup plan is a list of authorized RWC radio resources that serves a defined organizational grouping of radio users with a need to communicate.

### 5.0 Policy Statement

5.1. Talkgroup plans serve public safety and public service operations and have a direct impact to RWC system performance.

### 6.0 Supporting Rules

- 6.1. Each RWC member agency is responsible for development of their talkgroup plans.
- 6.2. RWC Associates, Conditional Participants, and Interoperability Users will create their talkgroup plans in cooperation with their RWC supporting Member.
- 6.3. The number of talkgroups has a direct impact to system performance, therefore all proposed talkgroup plans must consider possible impacts to system loading and performance.
- 6.4. The OWG will consider the proposed talkgroup plans and all supporting information and approve the request or make a recommendation for change to the requesting agency.

## **7.0 Responsibilities**

- 7.1. The RWC Executive Director is responsible for maintaining a record of all approved talkgroup plans.
- 7.2. Each agency using the RWC Network is responsible for verifying all subscribers are programmed with approved talkgroups.
- 7.3. Modifications to an existing RWC Network User's talkgroup plan will require OWG approval.

## **8.0 Conditions for Exemption or Waiver**

- 8.1. As provided in the Waiver or Exception Policy.

## **9.0 Applicable Policies and/or Procedures**

- 9.1. As listed at [www.rwc az.org](http://www.rwc az.org).