

## What's NEW with



**Outreach is in full swing!** As of printing, LA FirstNet has presented outreach information to **more than 1,200 first responders, emergency managers, and other potential stakeholders** statewide. We have **203 twitter followers**, with more added daily. Follow us [@LAFirstNet](https://twitter.com/LAFirstNet).

## What's important NOW: Complete the survey TODAY!

Louisiana is *participating* in **outreach, education and data collection efforts** aimed at informing the process by which the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN) is **built and operated**. With your input, we can help create a planned build out that meets the needs of **first responders statewide**.

**Your participation is critical.** It is important that we have input from *all* disciplines **across the State**. Tell us about your agency by going to: <http://firstnet.louisiana.gov/survey/> and completing the **survey – MDST**.

## Best 5 minutes you will spend today!

Participants tell us the survey takes **minutes** to complete. Instructions are available [at this link](#) to guide you through the short process.

The information provided by Louisiana public safety agencies through the survey will **make a difference** in the development of the Louisiana portion of the nationwide network.

## And it's easy

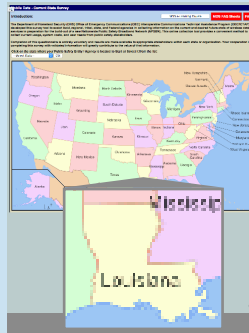


Click [here](#) to download the MDST job aid.

**Step 1:** Download the survey and gather the information you will need to complete it.

**Step 2:** With the information you gathered in hand, proceed to the MDST and complete the survey.

**Step 3:** If you need assistance contact us at [firstnet@la.gov](mailto:firstnet@la.gov) or call us at 225-925-7500.



## Did you know?

- NPSBN will be the **ONLY nationwide 4g LTE mobile data network** dedicated to **public safety and first responders**.
- FirstNet was created by Congress in 2012 through the **Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012** to oversee the construction of the NPSBN.
- Congress appropriated **\$7 billion** and **20MHz of spectrum** to create the network.

**YOU** have a once in a lifetime opportunity to help build the system from the ground up. Help ensure this very important network meets **OUR unique** needs in Louisiana.

**Complete the MDST today!**

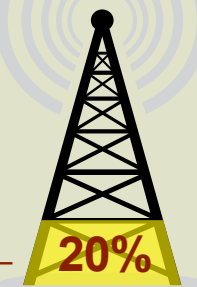


PARTICIPANTS AT A RECENT LOUISIANA FIRSTNET EVENT

With **YOUR** help, we are **20% of the way there!** To ensure your voice is heard, complete the survey TODAY!

GOAL —

**200+  
RESPONSES**



TO DATE —

**20%**

## Coming NEXT!

Outreach, planning and data collection activities continue. For upcoming activities, access our **LA FirstNet calendar** at: <http://firstnet.louisiana.gov/calendar/>

- St. Tammany Parish Outreach Meeting:
- West Baton Parish Outreach Meeting:
- Iberville Parish Outreach Meeting:
- FirstNet Board Meeting, Reston Virginia:
- FirstNet Board Meeting, Houston Texas:

- August 5, 2015
- September 9, 2015
- September 24, 2015
- September 22 and 23, 2015
- December 8 and 9, 2015

## Broadband Working Group

The **Broadband Working Group** met for the second time on July 14 in Breaux Bridge. Members of the group work in the field of **public safety** and represent various **first responders disciplines** across many areas of the State. The Working Group helps to identify **broadband coverage priorities** for Louisiana. Those priorities will be used in the development of the FirstNet deployment plan. The group continues to meet and would **appreciate your input**. If you want to send information to the Working Group please contact [Firstnet@la.gov](mailto:Firstnet@la.gov).



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