

SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF 2000
PUBLIC LAW 106-393

TITLE II PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM
OLYMPIC NATIONAL FOREST

1. Project Number (Assigned by Designated Federal Official): _____

2. Project Name: Enhanced Communications Interoperability	3. County: Olympic Peninsula
4. Project Sponsor: Jeff Summers/Dave Jacus	5. Date: 3-2-2011
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8. Project Location (attach project area map) Olympic National Forest- Olympic Peninsula Counties	
a. 4 th Field Watershed Name and HUC #:	
b. 5 th Field Watershed Name and HUC # (if known):	
c. Location: Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____ Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____	
d. National Forest Olympic	e. Forest Service District Hood Canal/Pacific
f. State / Private / Other lands involved? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

9. Statement of Project Goals and Objectives: (max. 7 lines) The goal of this project is to improve communications interoperability between Forest Service Law Enforcement Officers and other emergency services providers and to improve the overall radio communications capability of the Forest Service Law Enforcement Officers working on the Olympic Peninsula. This will be accomplished by replacing and/or adding to existing communications equipment.
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10. Project Description: (max. 30 lines.) This funding request is for several pieces of equipment for the purpose of improved law enforcement communications capabilities. The following list the of equipment, a description of each item, and the use for each item 1. Motorola APX Radio- The Motorola APX multi-band mobile radio is currently the only radio capable of bridging the communications gap between the traditional Forest Service and Washington State Patrol VHF radio system currently being used by the Forest Service LEO's and the UHF radio systems being utilized by a number of emergency services agencies in the Olympic Peninsula area. The Motorola APX will enable LEO's to communicate on both VHF and UHF systems utilizing the same radio. This capability is especially important during emergency incidents involving a multi-agency response. It is often necessary to communicate
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directly with other responding agencies and units to ensure an expedited response and to ensure all pertinent information is appropriately communicated. This radio will substantially improve our ability to respond in the most effective and efficient manner and to provide the most appropriate service to forest users and our cooperating agencies. The function of the Motorola APX radio is especially important during multi-agency search and rescue operations and also during medical emergencies.

2. Pyramid In-Car Repeater- The Pyramid repeater is designed to improve the performance of portable radios when outside the patrol vehicle. This repeater system will substantially improve officer safety for Forest Service Law Enforcement Officers working in remote areas of the Olympic Peninsula. These officers often find themselves without communication capabilities on their portable radios, outside of their vehicles. The in-car repeater establishes the vehicle radio as a “repeater” for the portable radio, and expands the coverage area of the handheld portable radio to that of an in-car mobile radio. This improved radio communications system is also critical during multi-agency operations such as search and rescue and medical emergencies in remote areas of the forest.
3. The combination of the equipment listed in these two items will substantially improve interoperability with cooperating agencies and the overall radio system coverage for law enforcement personnel. There is also a direct benefit to other Forest Service staff and to forest users, as well as increased public safety through improved communications access to other law enforcement, medical and fire responders.

11. Coordination of this project with other related project(s) on adjacent lands?

Yes No **If yes, then describe** (max. 10 lines)

With the addition of this equipment to Forest Service Law Enforcement vehicles the officers will be able to directly communicate with their counterparts providing similar services on adjacent private, local and state lands. Without an improvement in communications capability Forest Service LEO’s have a very limited ability to communicate with other emergency services agencies and first responders.

12. How does proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation? [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure. [Sec. 2(b)]

Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems. [Sec. 2(b)]

Restores and improves land health. [Sec. 2(b)]

Restores water quality. [Sec. 2(b)]

13. Project Type (check one) [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

Road Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]

Trail Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]

Road Decommission/Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]

Trail Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]

Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify): [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] **Communications**

Soil Productivity Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(B)]

Forest Health Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(C)]

Watershed Restoration & Mntc. [Sec. 2(b)(2)(D)]

Wildlife Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]

<input type="checkbox"/> Fish Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]	<input type="checkbox"/> Control of Noxious Weeds [Sec. 2(b)(2)(F)]
<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish Native Species [Sec. 2(b)(2)(G)]	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Project Type (specify) [Sec. 2(b)(2)]: Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Search and Rescue and Emergency Response.	

14. Measure of Project Accomplishments/Expected Outcomes [Sec. 203(b)(5)]	
a. Total Acres: Approx.	b. Total Miles:
c. No. Structures:	d. Est. People Reached (for environmental education projects):
e. No. Laborer Days:	
f. Other (specify): Entire Olympic National Forest	

15. Estimated Completion Date: [Sec. 203(b)(2)] Equipment will be purchased and installed upon funding.

16. Target Species Benefited: (if applicable) (max. 7 lines) N/A

17. How will cooperative relationships between the people that use federal lands and the agencies that manage them be improved? [Sec. 2(b)(3)] (max. 12 lines)

This project is designed to improve public safety and emergency response on National Forest lands. This funding will improve emergency response and communications in remote areas, and ensure that law enforcement personnel are equipped to communicate with other emergency responders. The ability to communicate with the right agency, at the right time, and from the desired location may be the difference between a successful life saving response and a response in which the delay created by poor communications becomes life threatening. In recent months we have experienced a number of incidents which challenged our current communications capabilities.

18. How is this project in the best public interest? [Sec. 203(b)(7)] **Identify benefits to communities.** (max. 12 lines)

This project is almost entirely based on improving public and officer safety. Frequently Forest Service LEO's are the best equipped and/or positioned for an emergency response in the wilderness. We are generally notified of such incidents by other law enforcement, fire and EMS organizations. That notification is expedited with the proper equipment, and in this case that equipment is a radio system with interoperability. In many cases we do not have cell phone reception. The ability for Forest Service LEO's to have an expedited response to calls from the public, forest users and other Forest Service staff can be critical. Forest Service LEO's generally have the best knowledge of the remote areas of the Forest, often have the best equipment to access those areas and serve as the experts in their respective areas. In addition to improved interoperability, the addition of a vehicle repeater to the law enforcement vehicles substantially expands their ability to communicate when outside the vehicle.

19. How does project benefit federal lands/resources? (max. 12 lines)

This project is primarily designed to improve the ability of Forest Service Law Enforcement to provide the best possible protection to all forms of forest resources, our staff, the visiting public and natural resources. The increased footprint of our radio system, both through radio interoperability and expanded coverage area, will enable Forest Service LEO's to access more remote areas of the forest and maintain communications with a dispatch center. Our primary dispatch services are currently, and will continue to be, provided by the Washington State Patrol(WSP). Although WSP provides excellent

service and a generally good coverage area, there are areas on the Olympic Peninsula that are not covered, or are not covered via our stand alone portable radios. The combination of an improved radio and an in-car repeater will address both of these issues. Often the presence, or the expectation that a Forest Service LEO might be present, provides the crime prevention component necessary to maintain a safe and comfortable environment for the staff and visiting public.

20. Status of Project Planning			
a. NEPA Complete: N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
If no, give est. date of completion:			
c. NMFS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
d. USFWS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
e. Survey & Manage Complete:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
f. DSL/ODFW/WDFW* Permits for In-stream Work Obtained:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
g. DSL/COE* 404 Fill/Removal Permit Obtained:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
h. SHPO* Concurrence Received:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
i. Project Design(s) Completed:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
* DSL = Dept. of State Lands, ODFW = Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, WDFW= Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, COE = Army Corps of Engineers, SHPO = State Historic Preservation Officer			

21. Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment <i>(check those that apply)</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Contract	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal Workforce
<input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): Request is for equipment only. There is no labor associated with this project. This is a one-time funding request for equipment.	

22. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Materials? [Sec. 204(e)(3)]

Yes No

23. Anticipated Project Costs [Sec. 203(b)(3)]	
a. Total County Title II Funds Requested: \$25,704	
b. Is this a multi-year funding request? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If yes, then display by fiscal year	
c. FY02 Request:	f. FY05 Request:
d. FY03 Request:	g. FY06 Request:
e. FY04 Request:	h. FY07 Request:

Table 1. Project Cost Analysis

Item	<i>Column A</i> Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column B</i> Requested County Title II Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column C</i> Other Contributions [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column D</i> Total Available Funds
24. Field Work & Site Surveys				
25. NEPA & Sec. 7 ESA Consultation				
26. Permit Acquisition				
27. Project Design & Engineering				
28. Contract Preparation				
29. Contract Administration				
30. Contract Cost				
31. Workforce Cost				
32. Materials & Supplies		\$24,000		
33. Monitoring				
34. Other				
35. Project Sub-Total				
36a. Proponent Indirect Costs (If Requesting)				
36b. Forest Service Overhead Costs (7.1% with Max of \$4000)		\$1704		
37. Total Cost Estimate		\$25,704		

38. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding for Project Identified Above [Sec. 203(b)(4)] (max. 7 lines)

Forest Service Law Enforcement and Investigations will continue to fund all Law Enforcement Officer time. This funding request is for equipment only. Funds required to utilize the equipment and implement the project are already in place.

39. Monitoring Plan [Sec. 203(b)(6)]

- a. What measures or evaluations will be made to determine how well the proposed project meets the desired ecological conditions?** [Sec. 203(b)(6)] (max. 7 lines)

Who is responsible for this monitoring item?: Forest Service Law Enforcement staff and supervisory personnel are responsible for monitoring and evaluation performance. Law Enforcement reporting through LEI is the primary means of measuring performance.

- b. How will the project be evaluated to determine how well the proposed project contributes towards local employment and/or training opportunities, including summer youth jobs programs such as the Youth Conservation Corps?** [Sec. 203(b)(6)] (max. 7 lines)

Who is responsible for this monitoring item?: Forest Service Law Enforcement will monitor

the performance of both the Motorola APX radio and the Pyramid repeater. These funds will not specifically contribute to the employment of additional staff, but will contribute to the safety of those employed in the area.

- c. What methods and measures of evaluation will be established to determine how well the proposed project improves the use of, or added value to, any products removed from National Forest System lands consistent with the purposes of this Act?** [Sec. 203(b)(6) and Sec. 204(e)(3)] (max. 7 lines)

Who is responsible for this monitoring item?: Law Enforcement reporting will be used to measure criminal activity, violations of law and emergency response. Additionally, bi-monthly user group meetings will be utilized as a venue for public comment and suggestion. Cooperating agencies will also be consulted once all systems are installed and functional.

- d. Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Table 1, Item 33)**
(max. 7 lines)

Amount No funding is needed to monitor performance. Performance measures and evaluation procedures are already in place and being utilized.