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Wallowa County Responders Retain Federal Engineering for Public Safety Communications Consulting

FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA, December 14, 2020 — Wallowa Memorial Hospital is leading a consortium of a dozen response agencies that have retained the services of Federal Engineering, Inc. (*FE*) to work with them in the planning and conceptual design of a new P25 radio system to improve both coverage and interoperability.

Mr. Timothy Peck, Wallowa Memorial Hospital EMS Director and Project Manager for the consortium had this to say about the project: "This project encompasses the assessment of a broad range of systems that go beyond the design of a new P25 radio system including the County's dispatch center's radio consoles, voice logging, Computer Aided Dispatch system, fire alerting, and other ancillary systems to determine their ability to support a new P25 radio system. We need a firm that can recommend solutions that meet the current and future needs of our first responders. We also want a firm with direct, hands-on experience that can support us during the procurement and implementation phases of this project, should the need arise. Federal Engineering is one of the few consulting firms that has demonstrated technical experience in all of these areas, and we are confident their participation will enhance our efforts."

Mr. Scott Wiggins, *FE* Senior Vice President, said: "*FE* is thoroughly familiar with the County's unique environment through our consulting work in the State of Oregon, which includes: the City of Portland, Emergency Communications of Southern Oregon, Lincoln County, Tillamook County and the Oregon State Radio Project. Our involvement with Wallowa started with assisting on a grant application that was funded by the state. For this project, we have assigned an in-house team of experts who specialize in system assessments, needs analysis, disaster recovery planning, conceptual design, and specifications development to optimize and improve public safety radio and their supporting systems. The County and other members of the consortium will benefit from the extensive experience of our team who will deliver practical and affordable solutions."

Federal Engineering is the leading, nationwide firm providing analysis, design, procurement, and implementation support for public safety and public service communications involving traditional VHF, UHF, 700 MHz, 800 MHz, 900 MHz, and 4.9GHz mobile radio systems as well as LTE. These services complement *FE's* wide range of consulting services in NG911, PSAPs, RTTCs, ECCs, and EOCs. *FE's* cybersecurity practice helps our clients defend against today's complex and ever-changing threat landscape. *FE* also serves as trusted advisors to assist clients in understanding emerging services such as FirstNet and the impacts on their current and future plans. Since 1983, *FE* has completed thousands of communications projects for 46 state governments, as well as numerous local and federal government clients.

In addition to its public sector work, Federal Engineering provides design and implementation support services for voice, data, and video networks used in the transportation, utilities, aerospace, finance, education, publishing, and computer services industries. *FE's* certified independence ensures that clients receive objective, unbiased consulting services that are not influenced by any technology, product, vendor, or approach.