

FY 2017-18 Supplemental Capital Construction Request

Office of Information Technology

Public Safety Communications Network Microwave Infrastructure Replacement

Motion:

Approve the supplemental request from the Governor's Office of Information Technology to expand the scope of the project to include the purchase or lease of real estate, buildings, or property necessary to the operation or development of the Digital Trunked Radio System.

GENERAL INFORMATION

2016-011

1. Which supplemental criterion does the request meet?

New Data

Plans to purchase a wireless tower and associated infrastructure as part of the microwave infrastructure replacement lie outside the scope of the project, since a parcel of land will also be purchased and the project's scope includes equipment acquisition only.

2. Which projects will be restricted to fund the supplemental request?

None. The supplemental request is nonmonetary and no additional state funds are being requested.

3. Has the request been approved by OSPB and CCHE?

Yes

PRIOR APPROPRIATION AND SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST INFORMATION

The appropriation to be amended was authorized in the following bill: SB 17-254

<u>Fund Source</u>	<u>Prior Appropriations</u>	<u>Supplemental Request</u>	<u>Future Requests</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
CCF	\$31,783,780	\$0	\$0	\$31,783,780
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REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

The Governor's Office of Information Technology (OIT) plans to acquire a 1.5-acre parcel of land with a 120-foot tall wireless tower and 3,672-square-foot accessory building in fee simple title at Cedar Point, about 15 miles northwest of Limon. The proposed price for purchasing the property is \$365,000. The property will be operated and maintained by OIT, and integrated into the state's Digital Trunked Radio System (DTRS). House Bill 18-1373 authorizes the Chief Information Officer to purchase real estate for the state telecommunications network "subject to the budget request requirements set forth in Sections 2-3-308 and 24-37-304 (1)(c.3), and subject to appropriation by the General Assembly..." However, the scope of this project includes acquisition of DTRS equipment and associated services only, and not real estate, so the moneys appropriated for this project cannot be used to acquire the Cedar Point property. Expanding the scope of the project to include real estate acquisition will allow the transaction to go forward.

SUMMARY OF PROJECT

The multi-year project replaces the statewide microwave public safety communications system with a system that creates more communications safeguards through redundancies. The microwave system provides connectivity among the DTRS transmitter sites. The request addresses all of the equipment associated with the operation of the microwave transmitter system. The project is financed through a lease-purchase agreement and includes out-year equipment upgrades. The DTRS is used by state and local governments and local sheriffs for day-to-day

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communications, interagency cooperation, and coordination in first-responder situations. According to OIT, about 1,000 local, state, and federal agencies use the DTRS to transmit about 91 million transmissions per year.

QUESTIONS / OUTSTANDING ISSUES

All responses to staff questions were incorporated into the supplemental request write-up.