


<p style="text-align: center;">REGIONAL WIRELESS COOPERATIVE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES</p>	
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<p><b>Subject:</b> <b>Talkgroup Plan Approval Procedure</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Revised: 03/2023</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Prior Rev:</b> <b>03/2021</b> <b>04/2019</b> <b>07/2010</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, 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 is responsible for development of their Talkgroup plans.
- 6.2. RWC Associates and Conditional and Interoperability Participants 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.
- 6.5. General guidelines may be found in Talkgroup Ownership and Assignment Authority Policy section 7.2.2.1.

## **7.0 Responsibilities**

- 7.1. Each agency using the RWC Network is responsible for verifying all subscribers are programmed with approved Talkgroups.
- 7.2. Modifications to an existing 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.rwcaz.org](http://www.rwcaz.org).