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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 17, 2005

**TO:** MERA Executive Committee

FROM: Martin J. Nichols, Executive Officer

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM G: BOLINAS SITE STATUS REPORT

Under discussion is a new 100-foot tower built and owned by Crown Castle that includes MERA antennae and the west Marin volunteer paging system.

Attached is a copy of my October 2004 memo outlining the issues associated with this site. Also attached is my April 6, 2005 MERA Report (no item 3 – Bolinas site).

The Fire District has scheduled a community meeting for May 17<sup>th</sup>. The outcome of this meeting will affect the next steps.

MERA's estimated cost for a Crown Castle project is \$265,000. We estimated a site at the Martinelli's Ranch to cost \$389,000.

Cost Sharing: Crown Castle Tower Replacement

<u>Project</u>: New 100 foot tower built and owned by Crown Castle that includes MERA and west Marin volunteer paging system.

Estimated Project Cost:

Tower	\$205,365
Equipment Building	100,000
Generator/Fuel Tank	15,000
Motorola Equip. Install	15,000
Paging System	60,000
Permits	25,000
TOTAL	\$420,365

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## Cost Sharing:

Tower Crown Castle MERA Bolinas FPD <b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 50,000 50,000 (in lieu of rent) <u>105,365</u> <b>\$205,365</b>
Other Costs (MERA):	
Paging Equipment Building Generator Motorola Equip. Install Permits <b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 60,000 100,000 15,000 15,000 25,000 <b>\$215,000</b>
Total Project:	
Crown Castle Bolinas MERA <b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 50,000 105,365 <u>265,000</u> (tower & other costs) <b>\$420,365</b>