



May 12, 2021
Agenda Item E-2

Governing Board Communication

TO: MERA Governing Board
FROM: Andrew LeBlanc – Operations Officer
SUBJECT: Request from National Park Service Region 10 for MERA network access
(Board Action)

Recommended Action

Approve United States Department of the Interior - National Park Services, Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GOGA) – Interior Region 10 Mutual Aid Radios.

Background

On March 11, 2015, the Executive Board approved an Additional Radios Policy and Procedures for additional radio requests. United States Department of the Interior - National Park Services (NPS), Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GOGA) – Interior Region 10, submitted the attached request to access MERA frequencies installed into two consolette, 85 mobiles, and 100 portables. As stated in their proposal, National Park's use would be limited to mutual-aid assistance and not day-to-day operations. It is expected that only a small fraction of the 187 radios would be using the MERA system during such events. Per MERA policy, the NPS request was forwarded to the MERA Operations Working Group on April 07. All responses from the Group supported the NPS request.

National Parks is an approved MERA non-member agency and has a Letter of Agreement on file with MERA. The Additional Radios Policy and Procedures requires the entity to pay for costs associated with programming and alignment.

Attachment:
E-2a - NPS GOGA Request to MERA.pdf