

East Bay Regional Communications System

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SAVE THE DATE – Friday, September 14

NEWS CONFERENCE TO UNVEIL HISTORIC PARTNERSHIP TO IMPROVE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS ACROSS EAST BAY

A news conference will be held on Friday, September 14, to announce an unprecedented accord among East Bay public safety agencies that will improve communications and dramatically enhance regional response capabilities to major disasters such as earthquakes, fires or acts of terrorism. The 3 p.m. event in Dublin will recognize the formation of the East Bay Regional Communications System Joint Powers Authority. The Authority will include Alameda and Contra Costa counties and about 30 local agencies that will collaborate on building a uniform emergency communications system designed to surmount problems that currently exist because first responders across the East Bay use incompatible radio technologies and thus cannot communicate directly with one another. The event will include compelling visuals. Front -line communications personnel will also be available for interviews.

What: News Conference to announce the formation of the East Bay Regional Communications Joint Powers Authority

When: 3 p.m. Friday, September 14

Where: Alameda County Emergency Operations Center, 4985 Broder Blvd., Dublin