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Annual Collection of Information

Related to the Collection and Use of 911 and E911 Fees by States and Other Jurisdictions

Pursuant to OMB authorization 3060-1122, the FCC’s Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (the Bureau) seeks the following specific information in order to fulfill the Commission’s obligations under Section 6(f)(2) of the NET 911 Act, as amended by Section 902.[[1]](#footnote-2)

**Instructions for Filling Out the Questionnaire**

**Please read and follow these general instructions:**

* Please complete all sections of this form.
* Please enter only numeric responses where requested.
  + Dollar or percentage signs, decimal points, and thousands separator commas are acceptable.
  + Blank responses, “None”, “Unknown”, or “N/A” are also acceptable.
  + To facilitate the Bureau’s calculations for the Annual Fee Report, please avoid stray characters such as: \*, ~, (), or [] in numeric responses.
* Use the associated Addendum fields to enter other information, such as footnotes, qualifiers, text, descriptions, and/or explanations.
* All responses should pertain to calendar year (January 1 – December 31), not fiscal year.
* Unless otherwise directed, please provide requested information directly on this form, rather than submit, refer to, and/or rely on supplemental materials.
* Please consolidate separate response forms (and/or responses to individual questions) completed by counties, municipalities, or other local jurisdictions into one response form for the entire state, using sums and averages as appropriate.

1. **Filing Information**

**A1. Name of State or Jurisdiction**

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| **State or Jurisdiction** |
| North Dakota |

**A2. Name, Title and Organization of Individual Filing Report**

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| **Name** | **Title** | **Organization** |
| Jason Horning | NG9-1-1 Program Manager | Emergency Services Communications Coordinating Committee (on behalf of) |

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| **Addendum Section A** |
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1. **Overview of State or Jurisdiction 911 System**

**B1. Please provide the total number of active primary and secondary Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) in your state or jurisdiction that received funding derived from the collection of 911/E911 fees during the annual period ending December 31, 2021. PSAPs that did not receive funding derived from the collection of 911/E911 fees need not be included in the response boxes, but may be reported in Addendum Section B1.**

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| **PSAP Type[[2]](#footnote-3)** | **Number of PSAPs** |
| Primary | 21 |
| Secondary | 1 |
| **Total** | 22 |

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| **Addendum Section B1** |
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**B2. Please provide the total number of active telecommunicators[[3]](#footnote-4) in your state or jurisdiction that were funded through the collection of 911 and E911 fees during the annual period ending December 31, 2021. Telecommunicators that were not funded through the collection of 911 and E911 fees need not be included in the response boxes, but may be reported in Addendum Section B2.**

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| **Telecommunicator Type** | **Number of Active Telecommunicators Funded by 911/E911 Fees** |
| Full Time | 315 |
| Part Time | 31 |

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| **Addendum Section B2** |
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**B3. For the annual period ending December 31, 2021, please provide an estimate of the total cost to provide 911/E911 service in your state or jurisdiction.**

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| **Amount ($)** | $24,500,000 |

**B3a. If an amount cannot be provided, please explain why.**

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| **Addendum Section B3** |
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**B4. Please provide the total number of 911 voice calls that your state or jurisdiction received during the period January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.**

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| **Type of Service** | **Total 911 Voice Calls** |
| Wireline | 31500 |
| Wireless | 234682 |
| VoIP | 4446 |
| Other (report 911 texts separately below in B.4a) |  |
| **Total** | 270628 |

**B4a. Please provide the total number of 911 texts that your state or jurisdiction received during the period January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.**

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| Texts to 911 | 704 |

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| **Addendum Section B4** |
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1. **Description of Authority Enabling Establishment of 911/E911 Funding Mechanisms**

**C1. Has your State, or any political subdivision, Indian Tribe, village or regional corporation therein as defined by Section 6(f)(1) of the NET 911 Act, established a funding mechanism designated for or imposed for the purposes of 911 or E911 support or implementation (please include a citation to the legal authority for such mechanism)?** *Check one.*

* Yes …………………..
* No ………………..…..

**C1a. If YES, provide a citation to the legal authority for such a mechanism.**

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| Chapter 57-40.6 of the North Dakota Century Code authorizes counties or cities to impose a fee (to be collected by all telecommunication companies) on a per communication device per month basis for all contract-based landline, wireless and VoIP phone service. The local governing board passes a resolution placing the question of the imposition of this fee on the ballot, upon approval of the electorate it goes into effect. The same chapter authorizes the prepaid wireless revenue to be collected at the point of sale and collected by the State Tax Department. The State Tax Department then remits the prepaid wireless revenue to a joint powers entity consisting of all local 911 jurisdictions for distribution or dedication to statewide 9-1-1 system costs |

**C1b. If YES to C1, during the annual period January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, did your state or jurisdiction amend, enlarge, or in any way alter the funding mechanism?** *Check one (leave blank if NO to C1).*

* Yes …………………..
* No ………………..…..
* Unknown ………..…..

**C1c. If YES to C1b., provide a description of amendments, enlargements, or alterations to the funding mechanism, if applicable.**

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| **Addendum Section C1** |
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**C2. Which of the following best describes the type of authority arrangement for the collection of 911/E911 fees**? *Check one*.

* The State collects the fees …………………………………..
* A local authority collects the fees ……………………….…
* A hybrid approach where two or more governing bodies

(*e.g.*, state and local authority) collect the fees ……………..

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| **Addendum Section C2** |
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**C3. Describe how the funds collected are made available to localities.**

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| As noted in “C1a” above, the fees from landline, VoIP, and wireless monthly contracts are imposed by local jurisdictions and remitted by the phone companies directly to those jurisdictions (53 counties). The Legislation authorizing the imposition of this fee also regulates the use of the fee revenue. Specifically 57-40.6-05 states that the revenue must be used “solely for implementing, maintaining, or operating the emergency services communication system.” Additionally 57-40.6-10 requires that jurisdictions receiving this fee revenue maintain the revenue in a separate fund and; “ensure that fee proceeds collected under this chapter are expended in accordance with guidelines developed pursuant to section 57-40.6-12 and implement an accounting system sufficient to meet the requirements of section 57-40.6-05.”  As noted in above, the pre-paid fee revenue is centrally collected by the State Tax Department and remitted to a joint powers entity consisting of all local 911 jurisdictions for distribution or dedication to statewide 9-1-1 network costs |

1. **Description of State or Jurisdictional Authority That Determines How 911/E911 Fees are Spent**

**D1. Indicate which entities in your state have the authority to approve the expenditure of funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes.** *Check one*.

* The State has authority to approve the expenditure of funds ………………….…..
* One or more local authorities has authority to approve the expenditure of funds…
* A hybrid approach where two or more governing bodies (e.g., state or local authority) have authority to approve the expenditure of funds ……………………………….

**D1a. Please briefly describe any limitations on the approval authority per jurisdiction (*e.g.*, limited to fees collected by the entity, limited to wireline or wireless service, etc.).**

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| The State Legislature has created a statutory body, the Emergency Services Communications Coordinating Committee (ESC3), charged with implementing and maintaining expenditure guidelines that detail what is, and is not, allowable under the broader statutory limitation. Each jurisdiction is mandated by 57-40.6-12 to submit a report to the statutory body on the revenues and expenditures related to this fee and the guidelines. The ESC3 reviews the reports against the guidelines and compiles the information for presentation to a Legislature Committee. In addition, if a local jurisdiction has a question about a particular expenditure that they don’t feel is clearly addressed by the expenditure guidelines; the ESC3 will formally address the question with specific guidance. |

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| **Addendum Section D1** |
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**D2. Has your state established a funding mechanism that mandates *how* collected funds can be used? *Check one*.**

* Yes …………………..
* No ………………..…..

**D2a.** **If you checked YES, provide a legal citation to the funding mechanism of any such criteria.**

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| Each jurisdiction is mandated by 57-40.6-12 to submit a report to the statutory body (ESC3) on the revenues and expenditures related to this fee, and the Committee then reviews the reports against the guidelines and compiles the information for presentation to the Legislature. 57-40.6-13 authorizes the ESCCC to set expenditure guidelines for use of the fee. |

**D2b.** **If you checked NO, describe how your state or jurisdiction decides how collected funds can be used.**

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1. **Description of Uses of Collected 911/E911 Fees**

**E1. Provide a statement identifying with specificity all activities, programs, and organizations for whose benefit your state, or political subdivision thereof, has obligated or expended funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes and how these activities, programs, and organizations support 911 and E911 services or enhancements of such services.**

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| The majority of funds are collected and expended locally to support the equipment, staffing, networking, and support services for 911 public safety answering points (PSAPs). These PSAPs may be operated by a county or a county may contract with a state or regional PSAP to support its 911 services. A portion of these funds are remitted to the North Dakota Association of Counties (NDACo) for administration, contracting and maintenance of the NG9-1-1 network core and ESInet. The reporting discussed in “D1a” above is summarized biennially for the Legislature, illustrating how the funds generated by the fee authorized by state law have been used to support those PSAPs. |

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| **E2. Please identify the uses of the collected funds.[[4]](#footnote-5) *Check all that apply*.** | | | |
| **Type of Cost** | | **Yes** | **No** |
| **PSAP operating costs, including technological innovation that supports 911** | Lease, purchase, maintenance, replacement, and upgrade of customer premises equipment (CPE) (hardware and software) |  |  |
| Lease, purchase, maintenance, replacement, and upgrade of computer aided dispatch (CAD) equipment (hardware and software) |  |  |
| Lease, purchase, maintenance, replacement, and upgrade of PSAP building/facility |  |  |
| NG911, cybersecurity, pre-arrival instructions, and emergency notification systems (ENS) |  |  |
| **PSAP personnel costs** | Telecommunicators’ Salaries |  |  |
| Training of Telecommunicators |  |  |
| **PSAP administrative costs** | Program Administration |  |  |
| Travel Expenses |  |  |
| **Costs for integration and interoperability of 911 systems and public safety/first responder radio systems** | Integrating public safety/first responder dispatch and 911 systems, including lease, purchase, maintenance, and upgrade of CAD hardware and software to support integrated 911 and public safety dispatch operations |  |  |
| Providing for the interoperability of 911 systems with one another and with public safety/first responder radio systems |  |  |
| **Grant programs** |  | **If YES, see E2a.** |  |
| **E2a. During the annual period ending December 31, 2021, describe the grants that your state paid for through the use of collected 911/E911 fees and the purpose of such grants.** | | | |
| During the period ending December 31, 2021 ND made use of the NHTSA/NTIA 2018 911 Grant in the area of GIS Data Maintenance and Aggregation, a statewide Shared Recorder/Logger and a new IP Point of Ingress for telecommunications companies. 911 fee revenues were used to support the match requirement for these projects. | | | |

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| **Addendum Section E2** |
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1. **Description of 911/E911 Fees Collected**

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| **F1. Please describe the amount of fees or charges imposed for the implementation and support of 911 and E911 services. Please distinguish between state and local fees for each service type.** | | | | |
| **Service Type** | **Fee/Charge Imposed** | **Jurisdiction Receiving Remittance**  *Check one for each Service Type.* | | |
| **State** | **County or Local Authority** | **Combination of State and County/Local** |
| **Wireline – monthly fee ($)** | $1.50-2.00 |  |  |  |
| **Wireless – monthly fee ($)** | $1.50-2.00 |  |  |  |
| **Prepaid Wireless – provide *either* flat fee ($) or percentage (%) per retail transaction** *(leave inapplicable cell blank)* | $ |  |  |  |
| 2.5% |
| **Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP) – monthly fee ($)** | $1.50-2.00 |  |  |  |
| **Other – monthly fee ($)** | $ |  |  |  |

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| **Addendum Section F1** |
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**F2. For the annual period ending December 31, 2021, please report the total amount collected pursuant to the assessed fees or charges described in Question F1.**

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| **Service Type** | **Total Amount Collected ($)** |
| Wireline |  |
| Wireless |  |
| Prepaid Wireless | $1,241,885.52 |
| Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP) |  |
| Other | $17,401,390.48 |
| **Total** | $18,643,276 |

**F2a. If an amount cannot be provided, please explain why.**

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| Other is the total collected from Wireline, Wireless and VoIP as reported by local governments. |

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| **Addendum Section F2** |
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**F3. Please identify any other sources of 911/E911 funding.**

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| County & City General Funds |

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| **Question** | **Yes** | **No** |
| **F4. For the annual period ending December 31, 2021, were any 911/E911 fees that were collected by your state or jurisdiction combined with any federal, state or local funds, grants, special collections, or general budget appropriations that were designated to support 911/E911/NG911 services?** *Check one.* |  |  |
| **F4a.** **If YES, please describe the federal, state or local funds and amounts that were combined with 911/E911 fees.** | | |
| Prepaid wireless revenue collected by the Office of State Tax Commissioner are combined with a percentage of the fee revenue collected locally to cover expenses associated with the state’s transition to NG9-1-1. Also, in 2021, $192,399.50 in 911 fees collected were used as the state's 40% match requirement for the NHTSA/NTIA 2018 911 Grant. | | |

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| **Addendum Section F4** |
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| **F5. Please provide an estimate of the proportional contribution from each funding source towards the total cost to support 911 in your state or jurisdiction.** | **Percent (%)** |
| State 911 Fees | 4% |
| Local 911 Fees | 65% |
| General Fund - State | 0% |
| General Fund - County | 30% |
| Federal Grants | 1% |
| State Grants | 0% |

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| **Addendum Section F5** |
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1. **Description of Diversion or Transfer of 911/E911 Fees for Other Uses**

For the purposes of this questionnaire, diversion is the obligation or expenditure of a 911 fee or charge for a purpose or function other than the purposes and functions identified in 47 CFR § 9.23 of the Commission’s rules as acceptable.

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| **Question** | | **Yes** | **No** |
| **G1. In the annual period ending December 31, 2021, were funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes in your state or jurisdiction obligated or expended solely for acceptable purposes and functions as provided under 47 CFR § 9.23?** *Check one*. | |  |  |
| **G1a.** **If NO, please identify what amount of funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes were obligated or expended for purposes or functions other than those designated as acceptable under 47 CFR § 9.23, including any funds transferred, loaned, or otherwise used for the state's general fund. Along with identifying the amount, please include a statement identifying the purposes or functions for such funds.** | | | |
| **Amount of Funds ($)** | **Identify the purposes or functions other than those designated as acceptable by the Commission for which the 911/E911 funds were obligated or expended. (*If you need more rows for your response, please enter the information in Addendum Section G1.*)** | | |
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| **Addendum Section G1** |
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| **Question** | | **Yes** | **No** |
| **G2. In the annual period ending December 31, 2021, were funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes in your state or jurisdiction obligated or expended for the purchase, maintenance, replacement, or upgrade of public safety radios, networks, equipment, or related infrastructure?** *Check one*. | |  |  |
| **G2a. If YES to G2, are all of the public safety radios, networks, equipment, or related infrastructure on which funds were obligated or expended used to deliver 911-originated information to emergency responders? For the purposes of this questionnaire, 911-originated information includes all data and information delivered between the 911 request for assistance and the emergency responders.** | |  |  |
| **G2a(i). If NO to G2a, please explain.** | | | |
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| **G2b.** **If YES to G2, please itemize the amounts that were obligated or expended and include descriptions of the public safety radios, networks, equipment, or related infrastructure.** | | | |
| **Amount of Funds ($)** | **Description of such obligations or expenditures. (*If you need more rows for your response, please enter the information in Addendum Section G2.*)** | | |
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| **Addendum Section G2** |
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**Safe Harbor for Multi-Purpose Fees**. Section 9.23(d) of the rules provides an elective safe harbor for states and taxing jurisdictions that designate multi-purpose fees or charges for “public safety,” “emergency services,” or other similar purposes where a portion of those fees or charges supports 911 services. *See* 47 CFR § 9.23(d). The rule provides that the obligation or expenditure of such a fee or charge will not constitute diversion if the state or taxing jurisdiction (i) specifies the amount or percentage of such fees or charges that is dedicated to 911 services; (ii) ensures that the 911 portion of such fees or charges is segregated and not commingled with any other funds; and (iii) obligates or expends the 911 portion of such fees or charges for acceptable purposes and functions as defined under the Commission’s rules.

**G3. Does your state or taxing jurisdiction collect fees or charges designated for “public safety,” “emergency services,” or other similar purposes where a portion of those fees or charges supports 911 services?** *Check one.*

* Yes …………………..
* No ………………..…..

**If YES to G3, please answer Questions G3a – G3c below.** *(If NO to G3, leave blank.)*

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| **Question** | **Yes** | **No** |
| **G3a. Does the state or taxing jurisdiction specify the amount or percentage of such fees or charges that is dedicated to 911 services?** *Check one.* |  |  |
| **Question** | **Response** | |
| **G3a(i). Cite to the authority by which the state or taxing jurisdiction specifies the amount or percentage.** | NDCC 57-40.6-02 | |
| **G3a(ii). Indicate the amount or percentage of such a fee dedicated to 911 services. Provide *either* dollar amount or percentage.** *(Leave inapplicable cell blank.)* | $$1.50 (max) | |
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| **Question** | **Yes** | **No** |
| **G3b. Does the state or taxing jurisdiction ensure that the 911 portion of such fees or charges is segregated and not commingled with any other funds?** *Check one.* |  |  |
| **G3b(i). Cite to the authority by which the state or taxing jurisdiction segregates such fees.** | | |
| NDCC 57-40.6-02 | | |
| **Question** | **Yes** | **No** |
| **G3c. Does the state or taxing jurisdiction obligate or expend the 911 portion of such fees or charges only for the purposes and functions designated by the Commission as acceptable pursuant to 47 CFR § 9.23?** *Check one.* |  |  |
| **G3c(i). If NO to G3c, please explain.** | | |
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| **Addendum Section G3** |
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1. **Oversight and Auditing of Collection and Use of 911/E911 Fees**

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| **Question** | **Yes** | **No** |
| **H1. Has your state established any oversight or auditing mechanisms or procedures to determine whether collected funds have been obligated or expended for acceptable purposes and functions as designated under the Commission’s rules?** *Check one.* |  |  |
| **H1a.** **If YES, provide a description of the mechanisms or procedures and any enforcement or other corrective actions undertaken in connection with such auditing authority, for the annual period ending December 31, 2021.** *(Enter “None” if no actions were taken.)* | | |
| Each jurisdiction is mandated by 57-40.6-12 to submit a report to the statutory body (ESC3) on the revenues and expenditures related to the 911 fee, and the Committee then reviews the reports against the guidelines and compiles the information for presentation to the Legislature.  None, no actions taken. | | |

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| **Addendum Section H1** |
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| **Question** | **Yes** | | **No** | |
| **H2. Does your state have the authority to audit service providers to ensure that the amount of 911/E911 fees collected from subscribers matches the service provider’s number of subscribers?** *Check one.* |  | |  | |
| **Question** | **Yes** | **No** | | **N/A** |
| **H2a. Did your state conduct an audit of service providers in connection with such auditing authority during the annual period ending December 31, 2021?** *Check one; check N/A if Question H2 response above is NO*. |  |  | |  |
| **H2b. If YES to H2 and H2a, provide a description of any auditing or enforcement or other corrective actions undertaken in connection with such auditing authority for the annual period ending December 31, 2021.** *(Leave blank if not applicable / no actions were taken.)* | | | | |
| The locally collected fees on telecommunication services contain audit and enforcement provisions. As for pre-paid wireless fees that are remitted from point-of-sale transactions, these fees are remitted along with state sales tax collections to the ND State Tax Department. The statutory authority to audit and enforce sales tax collections is extended to the pre-paid wireless fee.  None, no actions taken. | | | | |

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| **Addendum Section H2** |
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1. **Description of Next Generation 911 Services and Expenditures**

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| **Question** | **Yes** | **No** |
| **I1. Does your state or jurisdiction classify expenditures on Next Generation 911 (NG911) as within the scope of acceptable purposes and functions for the obligation or expenditure of 911 fees or charges?** *Check one.* |  |  |
| **I1a. If YES, please cite any specific legal authority:** | | |
| Chapter 57-40.6 of the North Dakota Century Code authorizes counties or cities to impose a fee for “solely for implementing, maintaining, or operating the emergency services communication system.” Additionally, specific guidelines are set forth by the ESC3 as mentioned in “D1b”. As defined within the statute, a component of the emergency services communication system is the “911 system”. The statutorily language was amended in 2015 to refer to a 911 system as “a set of networks, software applications, databases, call answering components, and operations and management procedures required to provide 911 services.” In so doing, the statute no longer refers to specific types of 911 systems (i.e. basic 911, enhanced 911, next generation 911, etc.) within the aforementioned chapter. | | |

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| **Question** | | **Yes** | **No** |
| **I2. In the annual period ending December 31, 2021, has your state or jurisdiction expended funds on NG911 programs?** *Check one.* | |  |  |
| **I2a. If YES, please enter the dollar amount that has been expended during the annual period.** | | | |
| **Amount**  **($)** | $2,587,868.61 | | |

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| **I3. For the annual period ending December 31, 2021, please provide the number of PSAPs that operated on each type of NG911 Emergency Service IP Network(s) (ESInets) that operated within your state.** | | | | | |
| **Type of ESInet** | **Yes** | **No** | **If Yes, Enter Total PSAPs Operating on the ESInet** | **If Yes, does the type of ESInet interconnect with other state, regional or local ESInets?** | |
| **Yes** | **No** |
| I3a. A single, state-wide ESInet |  |  | 22 |  |  |
| I3b. Local (*e.g.*, county) ESInet(s) |  |  |  |  |  |
| I3c. Regional ESInets |  |  | [If one Regional ESInet is in operation, provide the total PSAPs on the first line below. If more than one Regional ESInet is in operation, provide the total PSAPs operating on each ESInet.] |  |  |
| Name of Regional ESInet 1: | | |  |  |  |
| Name of Regional ESInet 2: | | |  |  |  |
| Name of Regional ESInet 3: | | |  |  |  |
| Name of Regional ESInet 4: | | |  |  |  |
| Name of Regional ESInet 5: | | |  |  |  |
| Name of Regional ESInet 6: | | |  |  |  |
| Name of Regional ESInet 7: | | |  |  |  |
| **If more Regional ESInets operate in your state or taxing jurisdiction, please list the names of Regional ESInets 8 and higher, and numbers of associated PSAPs, in the space below:** | | | | | |
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| **Addendum Section I3** |
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**I4. Please provide a description of any NG911 projects completed or underway during the annual period ending December 31, 2021.**

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| Additional counties were added to the GeoMSAG provisioning process using their GIS data as a base dataset, 4 counties are left to migrate. Began migration of ESInet end-point circuits from DS1 to Ethernet technology. New circuits put in place to prepare for SIP delivery from OSPs. Completed text-to-911 service direct to all appropriate PSAPs, no longer requiring a default PSAP to take text-to-911 calls on behalf of other PSAPs. |

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| **I4a. Based on your response to I4, please indicate which categories of NG911 expenditures from this non-exhaustive list apply.** | ***Check all that apply*.** |
| **General Project or Not Specified** |  |
| **Planning or Consulting Services** |  |
| **ESInet Construction** |  |
| **NG911 Core Services** |  |
| **Hardware or Software Purchases or Upgrades** |  |
| **GIS** |  |
| **NG911 Security Planning** |  |
| **Training** |  |

**I5. As of December 31, 2021, how many PSAPs within your state have implemented text-to-911 and are accepting texts? Please refrain from non-numeric responses such as “all PSAPs.” Enter any text in Addendum Section I5.**

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| **Total Number of PSAPs Accepting Texts as of December 31, 2021** | 22 |

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| **Addendum Section I5** |
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**I6. By the end of the *next* annual period ending December 31, 2022, how many *total* PSAPs do you anticipate will have implemented text-to-911 and will be accepting texts?**

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| **Estimated Total Number of PSAPs Accepting Texts as of December 31, 2022** | 22 |

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| **Addendum Section I6** |
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1. **Cybersecurity Expenditures**

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| **Question** | **Check the appropriate box** | | **If Yes,**  **Amount Expended ($)** |
| **J1. During the annual period ending December 31, 2021, did your state expend funds on cybersecurity programs for PSAPs?** | Yes | No | Unknown |

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| **Question** | **Total PSAPs** |
| **J2. During the annual period ending December 31, 2021, how many PSAPs in your state either implemented a cybersecurity program or participated in a regional or state-run cybersecurity program?** | 19 |

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| **Addendum Section J2** |
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| **Question** | **Yes** | **No** | **Unknown** |
| **J3. Does your state or jurisdiction adhere to the National Institute of Standards and Technology *Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity* (April 2018) for networks supporting one or more PSAPs in your state or jurisdiction?**[[5]](#footnote-6) *Check one.* |  |  |  |

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| **Addendum Section J3** |
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1. **Measuring Effective Utilization of 911/E911 Fees**

**K1. Please provide an assessment of the effects achieved from the expenditure of state 911/E911 or NG911 funds, including any criteria your state or jurisdiction uses to measure the effectiveness of the use of 911/E911 fees and charges.**  **If your state conducts annual or other periodic assessments, please provide an electronic copy (*e.g.*, Word, PDF) of the latest such report upon submission of this questionnaire to the FCC or provide links to online versions of such reports in the space below.**

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| At the time of this submission the biennial legislative report and assessment was still in development. ND would be happy to provide this assessment once complete. |

1. **Underfunding of 911**

For the purposes of this questionnaire, underfunding occurs when funding levels are below the levels required for optimal performance of 911 operations.

**L1. Describe the impact of any underfunding of 911 services in your state or taxing jurisdiction during the annual period ending December 31, 2021.**

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| 911 fee revenues have never been sufficient to cover the full cost of 911 service. In addition, as the cost of technology and human resources increases the surcharge fees and percentages do not increase comensurate with those additional expenses. This means that local government must dig deeper into their general funds each year to support 911 services. |

**L2. Describe how any fee diversion affected 911 underfunding in your state or taxing jurisdiction during the annual period ending December 31, 2021.** *Indicate N/A if your state or taxing jurisdiction did not divert.*

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| N/A |

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1. *See* Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Public Law 116-260, Division FF, Title IX, section 902. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. A Primary PSAP is one to which 911 calls are routed directly from the 911 Control office. A secondary PSAP is one to which 911 calls are transferred from a Primary PSAP. *See* National Emergency Number Association (NENA), Master Glossary of 9-1-1 Terminology at 174 (June 22, 2021), <https://cdn.ymaws.com/www.nena.org/resource/resmgr/standards/nena-adm-000.24-2021_final_2.pdf>. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. For the purposes of this questionnaire, a telecommunicator, also known as a call taker or a dispatcher, is a person employed by a PSAP who is qualified to answer incoming emergency telephone calls and/or who provides for the appropriate emergency response either directly or through communication with the appropriate PSAP. *See* https://nenawiki.org/wiki/Telecommunicator. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. *See* 47 CFR § 9.23(b)(1)–(5). [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
5. National Institute of Standards and Technology, Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity (2018), <https://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/cswp/nist.cswp.04162018.pdf>. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)