NW LEARN Transition Plan

Northwest Regional Council (NWRC) intends to cease management of NW LEARN by the end of 2020.

NW LEARN Board members agreed that NWRC no longer performing the administrative functions makes sense. They also agreed that since each county's radio systems are at different stages, NW LEARN itself no longer needs to exist and functions should be transitioned back to each individual county, as appropriate.

Following is a plan for transitioning the functions of NW LEARN from Northwest Regional Council back to each of the four counties in the region by December 31, 2020.

Transition Steps

1. Submit plan to NW LEARN Board and NWRC Governing Board for approval.

2. Meet with county contacts to review all items for consideration during transition process and agree on plan to move forward, based on each county's needs. NWRC will coordinate with each of the county contacts listed below.

3. Arrange for transfer of contracts for each of the repeater sites to the county where the repeater is located. Each County will pay the rent for their sites directly beginning January 1, 2020.

4. Member cities in each county contribute a nominal amount toward NW LEARN. Each county in which a city is located can determine if or how they will continue with city contributions in the future.

5. Day Wireless will be notified by September 30, 2020 that the radio maintenance contract with NWRC will end December 31, 2020. Each county will arrange for radio maintenance services starting January 1, 2021.

6. FCC licenses will be transferred to each county, as appropriate.

7. Remaining NW LEARN funds will be transferred to each county based on contribution history.

Lead NWRC staff for transition will be Kristine Glasgow. County Points of Contact (POC) are:

County	Primary POC	Secondary POC
Island	Sheriff Rick Felici RickF@islandcountywa.gov 360-648-4422	Chief Evan Tingstad E.Tingstad@islandcountywa.gov 360-679-7310
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