

# Broadband Deployment Council

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FirstNet Integration into Illinois Broadband Workgroup	
Authority/Context	The Broadband Deployment Council (BDC), created by <a href="#">executive order number 9 2005</a> , is charged with ensuring that as soon as possible, advanced telecommunications services are available to the citizens of Illinois on a universal, competitive, and affordable basis.
Charge to the BDC	The Administrative Committee of the BDC met June 20, 2014 and established five (5) workgroups to conduct the business of the BDC. The duties of the BDC are enumerated in the <a href="#">executive order</a> .
FirstNet Integration into Illinois Broadband Workgroup	<p>The duties of the BDC include: (a) To identify those portions of the telecommunications infrastructure owned by agencies of the State of Illinois that can be made available for lease to commercial ventures, non-profit agencies, and local governments; and to establish standard procedures and pricing for lease of such infrastructure;</p> <p>(b) To ensure where possible that any infrastructure improvement undertaken by an agency of the State of Illinois includes the installation of underground conduit that can be made available on a non-discriminatory basis to public, private, and non-profit entities interested in running fiber-optic lines for communications or information services through such conduit;</p> <p>(c) To encourage and facilitate the coordination of private and public telecommunications deployment, including local and regional efforts and public-private partnerships.</p> <p>The Administrative Committee of the BDC charged the workgroup with monitoring the FirstNet project and providing input to maximize broadband deployment.</p>
Charge to the Workgroup	<p>The workgroup shall develop a set of recommendations for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FirstNet Integration in the Illinois Broadband Plan</li> <li>• Recommendations to maximize broadband deployment in Illinois from the FirstNet project</li> <li>• Developing recommendations and findings for the consideration of the Broadband Deployment Council</li> </ul>
Timeline	
Convenor/Chair	Joe Galvin, Convenor Gary Schenkel, Co-Convenor
Reporting and Communications	The chair of the workgroup is to provide a brief written status report for each quarterly Broadband Deployment Council meeting.

Workgroup Ground Rules

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- Active participation is essential as discussions and decisions made will not be revisited.
- If you miss a meeting, minutes will be provided within one week.
- Lend your expertise and share all relevant information.
- Everyone has a chance to speak without interruption.
- All ideas and opinions will be respected.
- No one should dominate the conversation or topic.
- Be open to new ideas.
- Make decisions based on what is best for the end user.
- Group consensus of key findings that will translate into recommendations for the BDC.