

**BAYRICS AUTHORITY**  
**STATEMENT OF GUIDING PRINCIPLES**  
**Updated September 6, 2012**

These guiding principles will be used to guide the Board and Staff in its work to meet the goals and purpose of the Authority, as established and agreed to in the BayRICS Joint Powers Authority Agreement and other Resolutions and Actions of the Board. In order to meet these goals, the BayRICS Authority states its commitment to the following guiding principles:

- The early, efficient and effective deployment of BayWEB to serve as the primary broadband wireless network for public safety in the Bay Area
- Interoperability – ensuring that BayWEB is designed and built to interconnect and operate seamlessly all other regional, state and national public safety broadband networks and specifically that BayWEB can be integrated into “FirstNet” – the nationwide public safety network.
- Open standards, open platforms and “vendor neutrality” – specifically the ability to incorporate and interchange different vendor products within the BayWEB network and across all regional and nationwide public safety networks
- Local control over the Bay Area public safety network and services, and working to ensure that BayRICS maintains a local say in FirstNet governance and decision-making
- Sharing best practices and lessons learned with other jurisdictions and the FirstNet Board to facilitate the deployment of FirstNet
- Review of Prudent expansion of BayWEB to extend service to neighboring regions and the State
- Opportunities for BayRICS Members, through identifying and developing public and private partnership relationships that will bring benefits to the Authority, to Authority Members and to BayWEB end users.