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Re: Public Safety radio tower installation

Manatee County Government, in cooperation with our partners in Sarasota County Government, has begun an important project to replace outdated public safety radio system equipment with the new two-county Suncoast Regional Communications Network. The new radio system will give police, paramedics, fire fighters and other first responders a far more reliable way to keep our communities safe each day.

In Manatee County, we will utilize nine public safety communications sites. Six tower locations will be at their present-day location. However, three new tower sites are needed, including the construction of a new 180-foot tower that will be built at 7510 Prospect Road. This new tower location was selected to ensure the communications network reliably covers the entire region and to eliminate areas where emergency radio coverage was unreliable in the past.

Tower installations will adhere to the latest of all applicable industry standards, specifications, FAA requirements, TIA/EIA-222, Florida, or local building code requirements. All towers will meet or exceed standards set by the FCC for safe radio frequency emissions. To meet FAA requirements, the tower will be equipped with a daylight clear strobe beacon that will flash during daylight hours and a red light beacon that will blink at night.

We will do our best to minimize disruption in the community during the three-month construction which will begin later this month.

You're receiving this notice as a property owner within 500-feet of the new tower location, per the County's public notice policy. If you have questions, please email us at [tellus@mymanatee.org](mailto:tellus@mymanatee.org) or call our Citizens Action Center at (941) 742-5800.