## NG911: The Future of Emergency Communications for GSPS

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# Why NG911? Why Now?

- What is Next Generation 911?
  - **NG911** is a **replacement** of the current Enhanced 9-1-1 infrastructure and systems.

#### • Why is NG911 so Important?

- The current 9-1-1 system cannot keep up with evolving technologies <u>OR</u> public expectations of a modern 9-1-1 system
- NG911 provides enhanced situational awareness and new opportunities for collaboration and transformational change in 9-1-1 service delivery and emergency services operations

#### Impacts and Timelines?

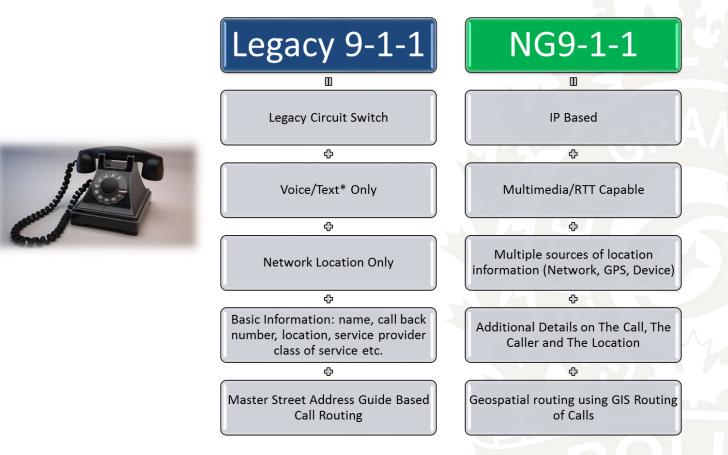
• Starting today, the entire 9-1-1 emergency services ecosystem, including 9-1-1 communications and dispatch / operations for police, fire, and EMS, is affected

#### Next Steps?

 Stakeholder engagement, technical and operational needs assessments, funding, and coordinated planning must start now



#### Comparing Past and Future: Legacy 911 vs. NG911



\*Text With 9-1-1 Service for the deaf, deafened, hard of hearing or speech impaired (DHHSI) community.



# **Benefits of NG911**

- Significantly enhances 9-1-1 service in Canada by upgrading to digital networks that support modern new features like Real Time Text while ensuring this life-saving system remains effective, secure, and resilient.
- NG9-1-1 technology will evolve over time to improve caller identification and location information from cellphones; information that is essential for effective and swift emergency response in support of public safety.



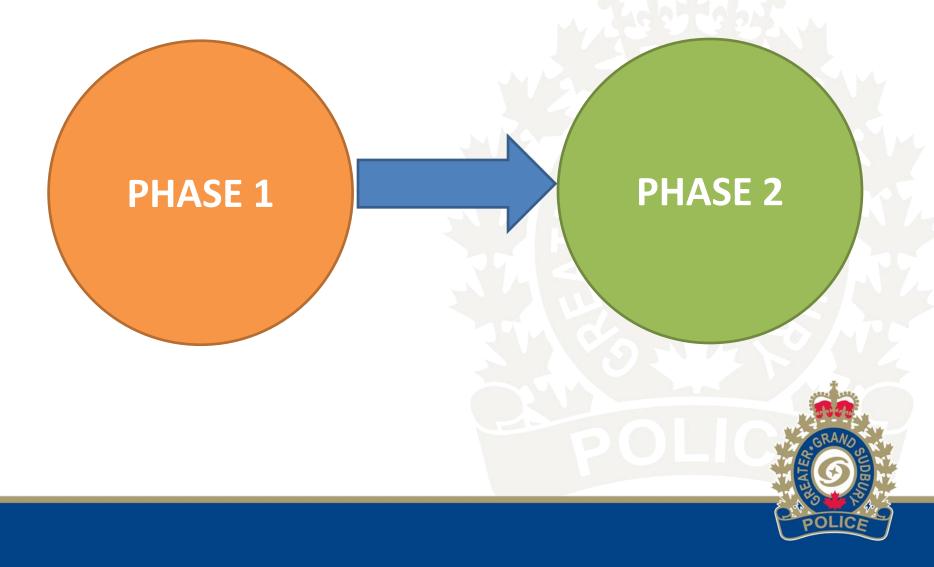


## **Legislated Timelines**

- <u>Decision 2017-182</u> mandates Telephone Service Providers (TSPs) to:
  - Establish NG911 voice-capable networks by March 30<sup>th</sup> 2021\*
  - Establish Real-Time Text (RTT) capability by March 30<sup>th</sup> 2022\*, and
  - Decommission the legacy 911 network by March 30, 2024\*.



### **The Plan Going Forward**



### **Budgetary Impacts**

- 9-1-1 call handling and management
- Logging and recording systems
- Local network segregation and management
- Related staffing and supervisor requirements
- Professional services
- Other interfaces and integrations to consider





## Conclusion

The **evolution** of technology is upon us. Let's use it to our advantage  $\rightarrow$  to improve public safety.



### **Questions**?



