



Emergency Numbers Systems Board

Overview of Legacy E911

Overview of “Next Gen” E911

ENSB Cybersecurity Committee

Emergency Numbers System Board

- ▶ Formed in 1979, 17 Member board
- ▶ Coordinates installation and enhancement of county 9-1-1 emergency telephone number services systems.
- ▶ The board issues guidelines and determines review procedures to approve or disapprove county plans for these systems
- ▶ Provides for audit of Trust Fund accounts; and sets criteria for reimbursing counties.
- ▶ Recently passed “Carl Hen’s Law” which will add additional requirements
 - ▶ “requiring the Board, in consultation with the Maryland Cybersecurity Council, to establish certain cybersecurity standards for public safety answering points; requiring the director of each public safety answering point to examine the cybersecurity of the public safety answering point under certain circumstances and to submit to the Board a certain report”

Legacy E-911 system

- ▶ All analog 911 trunks, currently provided by Verizon in all counties
- ▶ System has redundancy but is limited
 - ▶ Each county has trunks from 2 different central office
 - ▶ Most counties have a backup center in their county
 - ▶ Each county can transfer calls to 1 other county using older technology call routing.

Add Cellular E9-1-1 Components

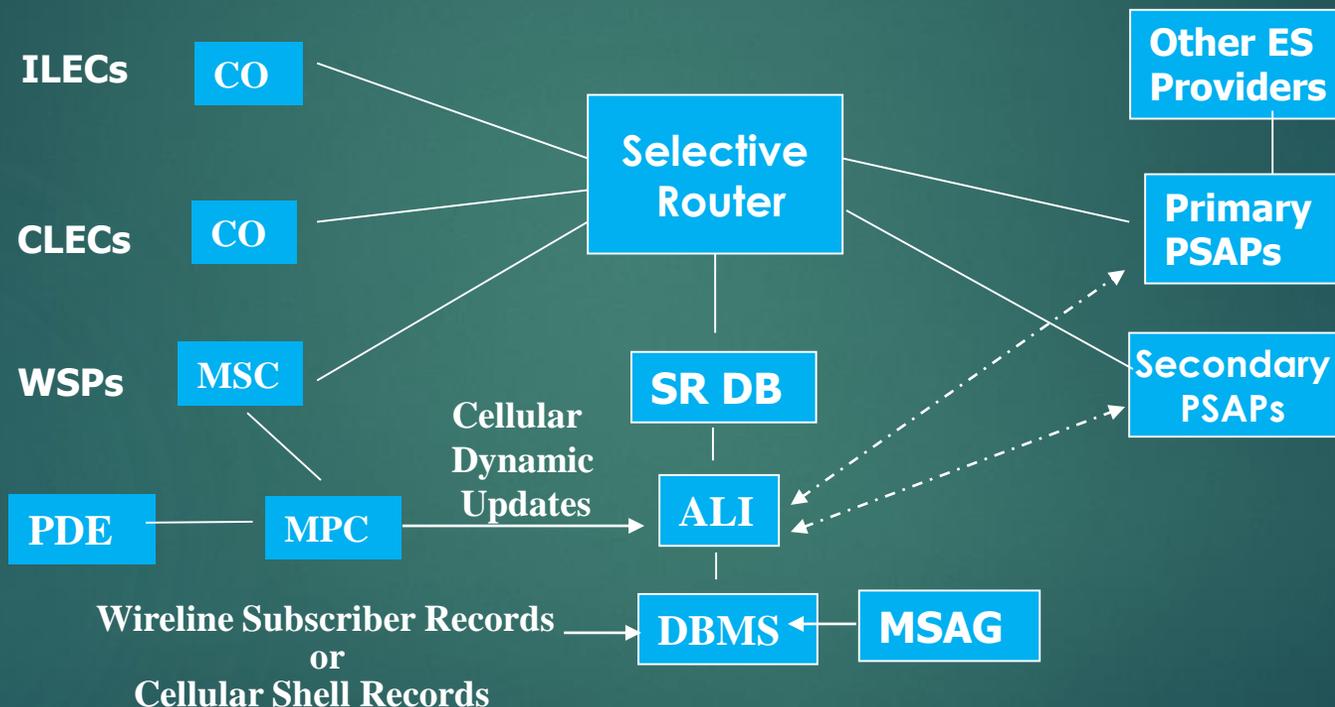
Originating Calls

Emergency Service Providers

MSC – Mobile Switching Center

PDE/MDC - Positioning equipment

SRDB – Selective Router DBMS – Database Mgmt System



Difficult and costly to integrate new call or messaging sources, and the corresponding data needs.

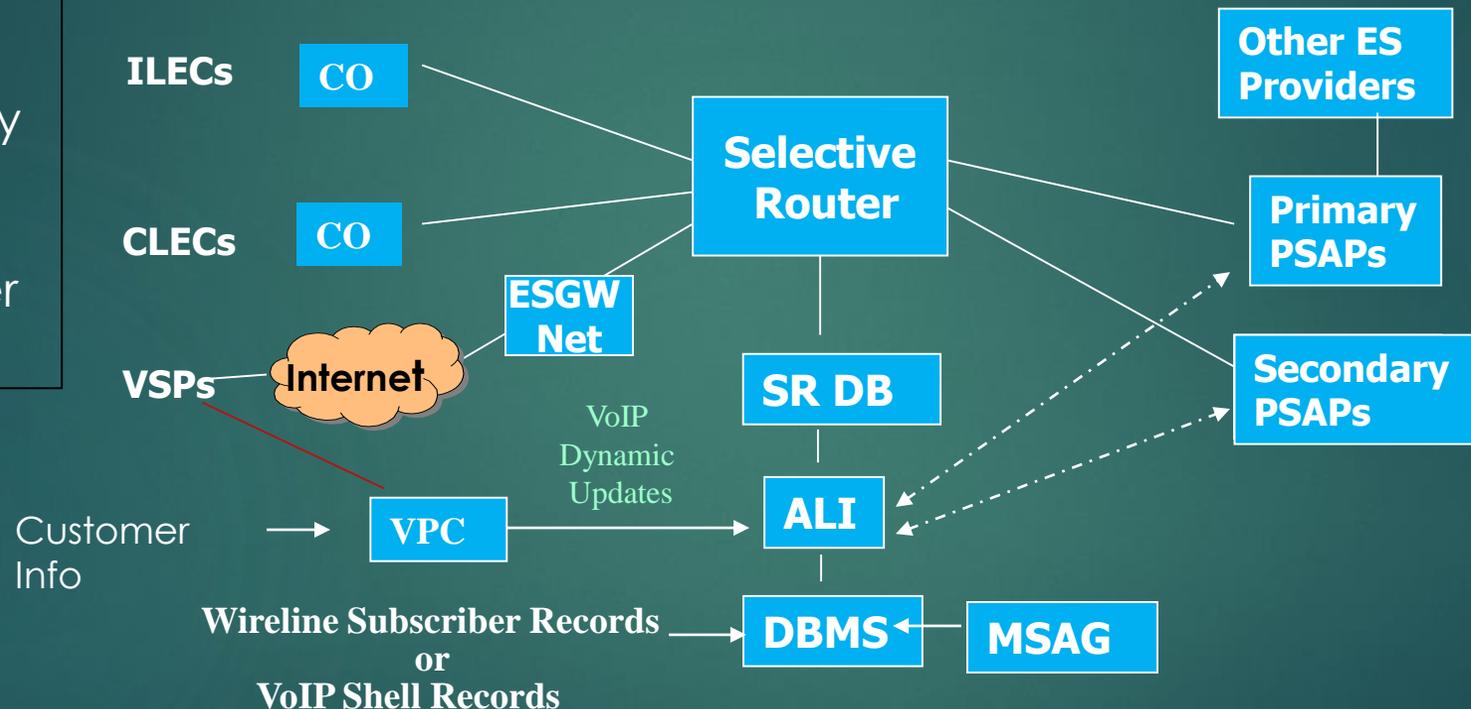
Adapt for VOIP - E9-1-1 Components

Originating Calls

Emergency Service Providers

ESGW –
Emergency
Services Gateway

VPC – VoIP
positioning center
- (routing of Call)



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E9-1-1

vs

NG9-1-1

- ▶ Complex analog trunking and data network
 - ▶ Class 5 switch for Selective Router
 - ▶ Translation based control
 - ▶ Limited to voice calls
 - ▶ Data bandwidth 20 char (digits)
 - ▶ Complex Emergency Gateway Network for VoIP
 - ▶ Custom interfaces for each service type
- ▶ Engineered, managed IP networks (ESInet)
 - ▶ IP software selective routing function
 - ▶ GIS and database controls
 - ▶ Voice, text, video
 - ▶ Bandwidth unlimited
 - ▶ Direct handling of Internet sourced calls
 - ▶ Standard IP interface for all service types

What's Driving NG9-1-1?

- Newer technologies/services
 - Text, image, video, telematics, sensors, subscriber info, emergency location info
- Need to “mainstream” 9-1-1 technology
- Improve survivability
 - Network resilience, virtual PSAPs
- Improve interoperability and information sharing

How NG9-1-1 is Different

- Technology

- IP Packet Based vs Circuit Switched

- Interoperability

- No longer a “local” service
- Interoperates at county, region, state and national levels

How NG9-1-1 is Different (cont'd)

- **Functionality**

- Replicates E9-1-1 capabilities

and

- Adds new capabilities, direct control options
- Wide ranging additional data options
- GIS-based instead of tabular data for location validation and routing control

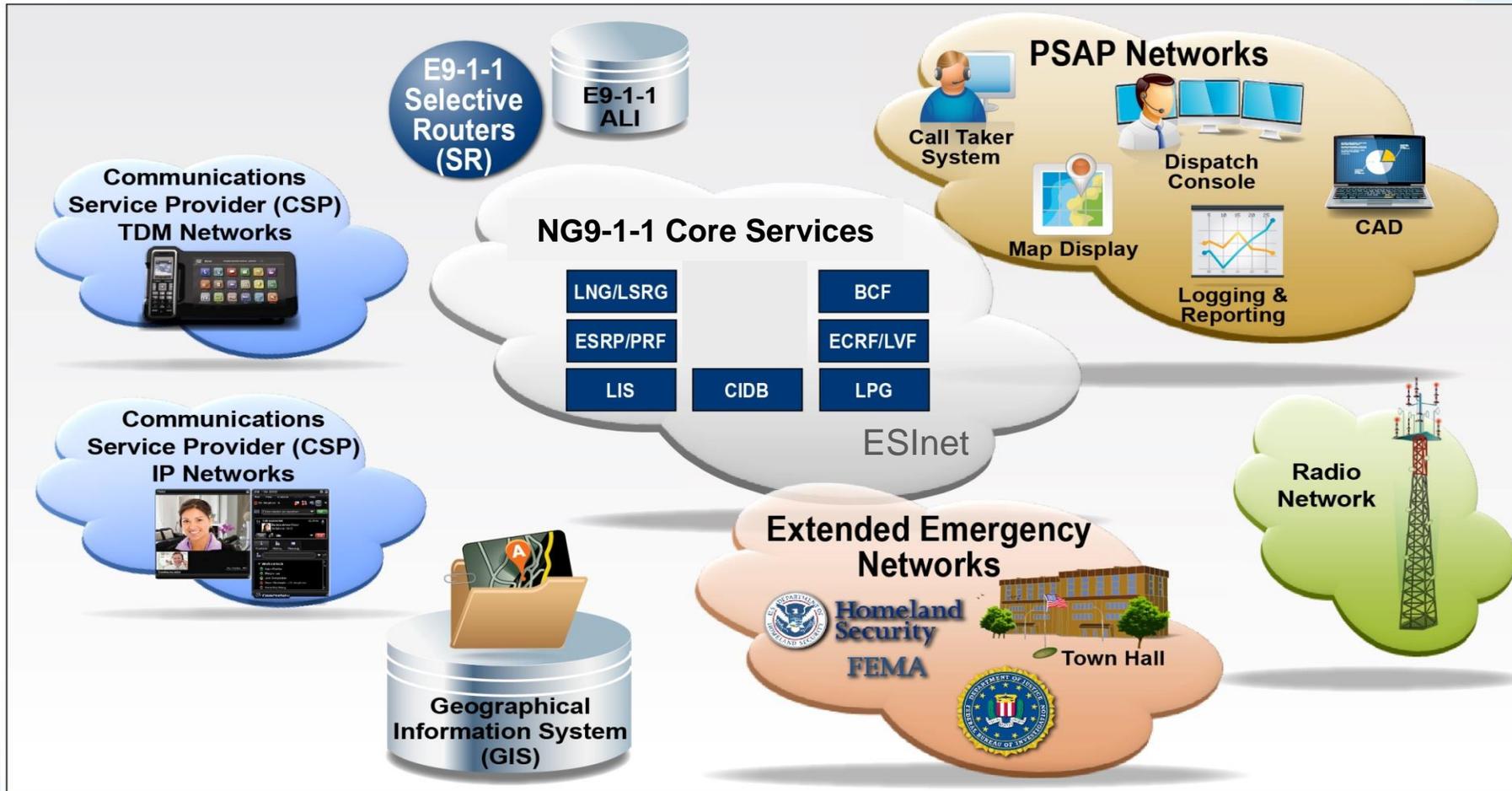
How NG9-1-1 is Different (cont'd)

- IP SIP based (all call handling is SIP based)
 - Uses numerous IETF RTFs, such as ECRIT, INVITE, REFER, BYE, PIDF-LO

Example functional areas:

- Location Validation Function (GIS based)
- SIP ingress and call routing control (ESRP with ECRF)
- SIP delivery of call and data (multimedia supported)
- Queries for wide range of added data

NG9-1-1 Ecosystem



Next Generation 9-1-1

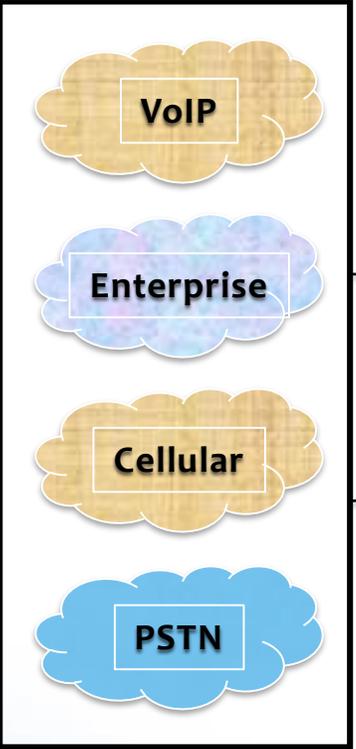
Call Information DB



Location Information Server



Originating Networks

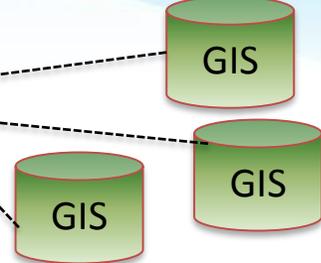


Location Validation Function



Discrepancies

GIS Data Management



ESInet

SIF



ECRF

Access Control

BCF



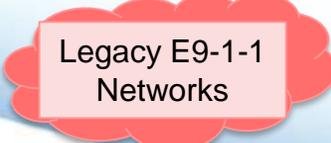
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Legacy Network Gateway



Legacy SR Gateway



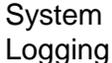
Legacy E9-1-1 Networks



Legacy Selective Router



ESRP



System Logging

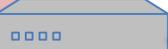
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NG9-1-1 PSAP



Legacy PSAP Gateway



Legacy PSAPs

This diagram is simplified for illustrative purposes.

The Nature of NG9-1-1

- Designed to support interoperability
- Designed with open standards
- Designed for and enables open competition
- Enables a transition to competitive service provider environment
- Necessitates regulatory (and legislative) change

NG9-1-1 Common Benefits

PSAPs and Responders

- Text/IM to 9-1-1
- Files to 9-1-1 , such as photos or video clips
- Streaming video
- Telematics and sensor data
- Additional Data available

NG9-1-1 PSAP Benefits

- Virtual PSAP (geographically distributed)
 - NG9-1-1 controlled to individual or hosted CPE
- Nomadic and/or mobile call taker workstations
- Policy-based alternate routing with new options
 - To alt PSAP, or spreading calls to multiple PSAPs
 - Invoked directly within minutes by PSAPs (online)
- Additional Policy-based routing for:
 - Language preference of caller
 - Type of technology >IM, Sensor, Satellite phone

NG9-1-1 Responder Benefits

- Informative data to dispatch and field responders
- National standards for data interfaces
- Adaptable for future needs
- Text/IM via 9-1-1

ENSB Cybersecurity Subcommittee

Senate Bill 339: Public Safety – 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System (Carl Henn's Law)

This bill enhances and alters the regulatory framework that governs the State's 9-1-1 system.

- ▶ Cybersecurity Standards (minimum standards)
 - ▶ Cybersecurity, oversight and accountability of service level agreements between counties and NG service providers
 - ▶ In consultation with the Maryland Cybersecurity Council
 - ▶ National industry and 9-1-1 system trade association best practices
 - ▶ Response protocols for an attack
 - ▶ PSAP director to certify the PSAP meets Board standards and a report detailing the exercise leading to the certification prior to PSAP receiving any Board funding

Cybersecurity and Investigations

Cybersecurity

- Identify minimum standards for cybersecurity, oversight, and accountability of service level agreements between counties and core service providers of NG911 services
- Recommend a COOP template including cybersecurity risk mitigation strategy and annual evaluation/practice
- Identify suggested requirements for local agency compliance, based on industry standards and best practices surrounding NG911 technology and cybersecurity protection and prevention

Investigations (Ad Hoc)

- As needed to investigate network or PSAP-affecting events to provide after action reporting to the board

