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Butte County Fire Department Chooses RadioMobile for Improved Automatic Vehicle Location and Connectivity

SAN DIEGO, September 8, 2020 — RadioMobile, Inc., a leading provider of mobile communications technology to Fire and EMS agencies, announced today that Butte County Fire Department has chosen RadioMobile's IQ Mobile App for its mobile data communications, digital dispatching and automatic vehicle location (AVL) solution."

"We chose RadioMobile for our AVL solution because of the success of their project with CAL FIRE," said Shem Hawkins, Battalion Chief. "The new AVL system allows us to see where our personnel and apparatus are located in real-time and across cooperating agencies, which is extremely important in rural areas where we operate. Plus, we were able to leverage the CAL FIRE system to create a more modern and efficient system at a lower cost than would have otherwise been possible."

Butte County is located in California's Central Valley, north of Sacramento, and was the location of the devastating "Camp Fire" wildland fire in 2018. The Butte County Fire Department operates 23 career-staffed fire stations and 16 volunteer fire stations that serve the 1,609 square miles of unincorporated communities in Butte County and the cities of Biggs, Gridley and the Town of Paradise. The Butte County Fire Department is part of an integrated, cooperative, regional fire protection system that includes four other agencies: CAL FIRE Butte Unit, Butte County, and the Cities of Biggs & Gridley and Town of Paradise. The five agencies are administered and operated together as one department. With the addition of the IQ Mobile Server (IQMS) connected to the CAL FIRE AVL Gateway, this regional cooperative is now extended across the state of California.

The Butte County Fire Department's IQ Mobile solution includes IQ Mobile Software and the IQ Mobile Server which connects responders to the dispatch (CAD) system as well as a state-wide CAL FIRE data communication and AVL system. This end-to-end solution enables the various resources to collaborate effectively and efficiently during wildfires and other large-scale incidents. The deployment of IQ Mobile on iPad tablets makes the solution cost-effective by leveraging the Department's investment in a general-purpose mobile device that can be used to run other applications. Further, the IQ Mobile software that runs on the Department's iPads is the same software that operates on RadioMobile's Patriot mobile data computers (MDCs) used by CAL FIRE, giving both agencies access to comparable features regardless of their chosen device. And, the end-to-end solution allows future expansion to add powerful LTE routers built into firefighting vehicles with local WIFI capabilities, as well as adding two-way satellite communication capability so essential in remote areas.

"We are happy to have Butte County Fire Department join our family of Fire & EMS clients," says Jim Moore, CEO at RadioMobile. "By utilizing RadioMobile, they are able to leverage the AVL system we built for CAL FIRE enabling faster response, data and resource sharing, and maximizing their equipment and human personnel investments."

RadioMobile's IQ Mobile Software which provides mapping, status and messaging via the tablet's touchscreen. Each tablet receives and sends data to and from the dispatch via IQ Mobile Server which is capable of processing thousands of transactions per second. By using the IQ Mobile along with technology that provides connectivity over LTE/4G, each vehicle is integrated into CAL FIRE's AVL system. The system is flexible and expandable allowing them to start with LTE connectivity and expand to use satellite or LMR-based mobile data in the future while maintaining the investment in the equipment they have already made.

About RadioMobile

RadioMobile takes fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) departments beyond the reach of broadband, connecting them with mission-ready solutions that are dependable in any situation. RadioMobile builds fully customized, end-to-end information tools that seamlessly integrate with legacy systems, extending resilient coverage to urban, suburban and rural environments.

About Butte County Fire Department

CAL FIRE has been a major component of the Butte County Fire Department since the cooperative fire protection agreement with CAL FIRE began in 1931. Butte County Fire Department operates 22 career-staffed fire stations and 16 volunteer fire stations that serve the 1,609 square miles of unincorporated communities in Butte County and the Cities of Biggs, Gridley and the Town of Paradise.

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