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Mr. Shaw, on behalf of the Town of Carefree, I would like to request that the Town of Carefree, Arizona be allowed to become an interoperability partner with TOPAZ. Two of the units we house in Carefree have occasional interaction with Rio Verde Fire District. As they transition over to your dispatch center, and radio system, we will need to have the availability of the Mesa operational channels in order to maintain fire ground safety, and uninterrupted communications.

As you know, Rural Metro Fire Department operates in Carefree under a master contract. In this arrangement, Carefree owns the radios, hence this request coming from the town and not Rural/Metro.

The Town of Carefree recently purchased dual-band radios, and we anticipate the need to program two mobile radios, and probably only three portable radios. I believe that whatever operational channels you program into the Rio Verde units, would be what we need for ours.

Please let me know if this request is possible, and what we can do to help the process along.

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