

Minimum Standards for Radio Communications Equipment Acquired Under HB 2604

The Texas Forest Service will accept applications for grant assistance under HB 2604 for the following radio equipment:

- Base Stations
- Repeaters
- Mobile Radios (New Trucks Only)
- Other Support Equipment (Towers, Cabling, Antennas, etc.)

The following minimum standards apply:

All radios must be VHF High Band, capable of operating within the 150 Mhz – 160 Mhz frequency range.

All radios must have Narrow Band capability with 12.5 channel spacing.

All radios must be part of a county-wide radio network which operates in the VHF Hi-band frequency range of 150 Mhz – 160 Mhz.

Mobile radios are only eligible if included in a new truck purchase package. Mobile radios may not be installed in firefighter personal vehicles.

All radios must be capable of transmitting and receiving on at least one of the statewide mutual aid frequencies.

Grants are not available for portable radios or pagers.