Corey Reynolds of the Bay Area UASI Management Team works with the Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority (BayRICS) to coordinate and share information relevant to regional operational communications in support of Goal 4 of the Bay Area UASI Homeland Security Goals.

## **Purpose**

The BayRICS Radio Operators Advisory Group is a monthly forum for regional stakeholders who are building or operating Project 25 (P25) and other radio networks within the Bay Area. Local government stakeholders provide communications-related input to the UASI Management Team through participation in this BayRICS working group. In order to gather critical input for UASI-funded initiatives, a UASI Program Team Project Manager coordinates closely with the BayRICS General Manager and regional stakeholders.

## **Goal 4: Communications**

Strengthen communications capabilities through planning, governance, technology, and equipment.

## **BayRICS Radio Operators Advisory Group Objectives**

The BayRICS Radio Operators Advisory Group:

- Provides a forum for discussing interoperable communications best practices and coordinating on regional interoperable communications efforts.
- Recommends policies and procedures related to communications systems performance, maintenance, and other technical issues.
- Maintains and socializes a Regional Fleetmap and Radio Programming Guidelines
- Hosts annual system key exchanges to promote cross-system interoperability
- Coordinates regular regional interoperability training and testing