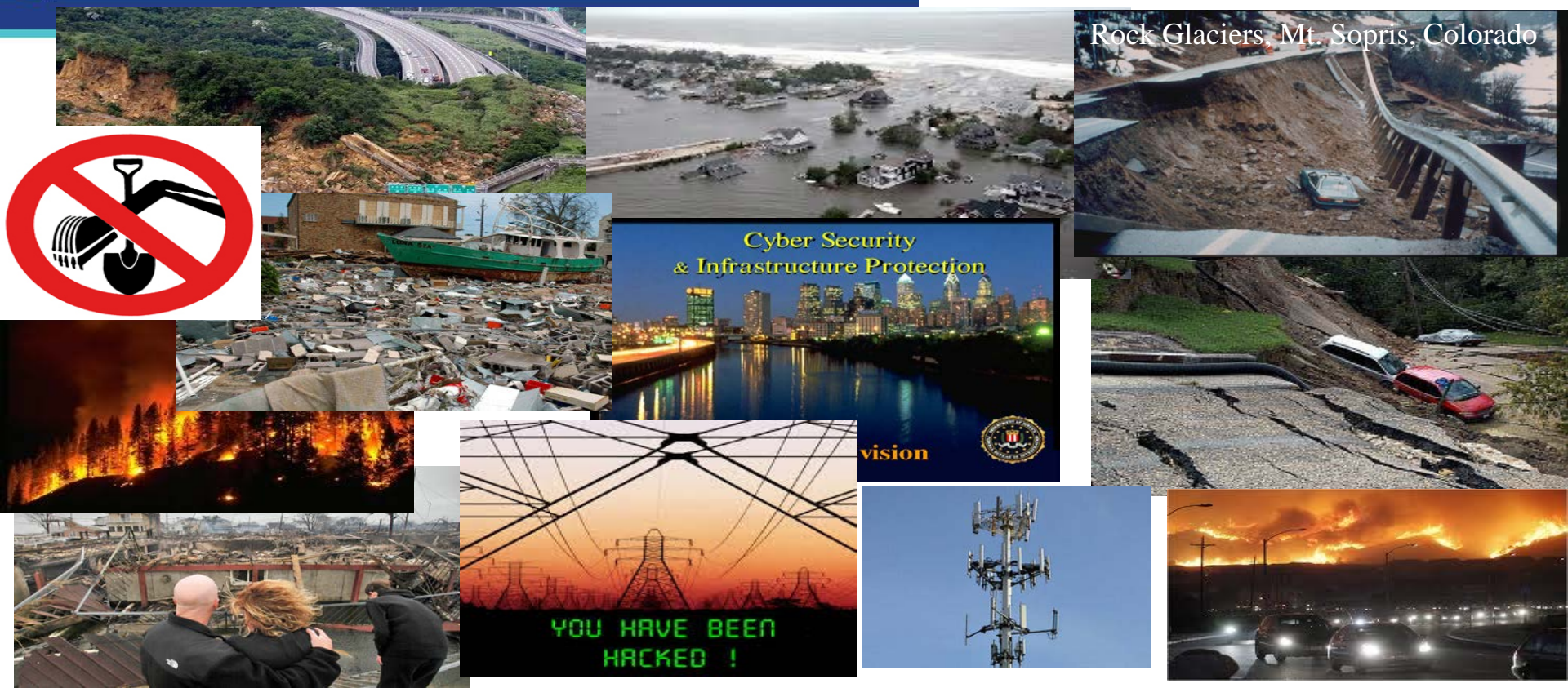


# Resilient Emergency Communications

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- Terrestrial networks: *Compromised*
- Cell networks: *Jammed*
- The Internet became congested and slow to respond
- Real-time communications stalled
- The government's ability to perform
  - Continuous operations of relief and recovery activities
  - Normal government operations...

...was *critically* diminished

Rock Glaciers, Mt. Sopris, Colorado

***The government is crippled when its ability to communicate is compromised!***

# 10 States with the Most Disasters

## 10. Missouri

The Show-Me State has had disastrous weather throughout the year: severe snow and ice storms in winter, spring, summer and fall, and flooding at various times.

Major disaster declarations since 1953: 53

## 9. Arkansas

Arkansas has been walloped by heavy rain and flooding over the years and has even been hit by tropical storm systems, though it's not a coastal state. Storms and tornadoes associated with Hurricane Katrina left streets with debris, damaged buildings, and

## 2. California

The nation's most populous state also is one of the most disaster-prone due to wildfires, landslides, flooding, winter storms, severe freeze and even tsunami waves. But earthquakes are the disaster perhaps most closely associated with California. The worst in recent years have included a magnitude-6.9 quake near San Francisco in 1989 that killed 63 and a magnitude-6.7 quake in Southern California in 1994 that killed 61.

Major disaster declarations since 1953: 78

## 1. Texas

Within the Lone Star State's nearly 267,000 square miles (second only to Alaska in size), at least one major disaster is declared nearly every calendar year. Texas has dealt with tornadoes, floods, wildfires and regular coastal hurricanes. One of the deadliest and costliest in recent decades was Hurricane Celia, which tore up Corpus Christi in 1970. The storm left 13 dead and destroyed millions of dollars' worth of property.

Source: <http://www.nbcnews.com/business/real-estate/10-states-most-natural-disasters-f6C10088195>

# Network Resiliency: Three Key Points

Know what your  
weakest links are

*so that you can*

Take proactive steps  
to be prepared

*in order to*

Respond during the  
BAD DAY events



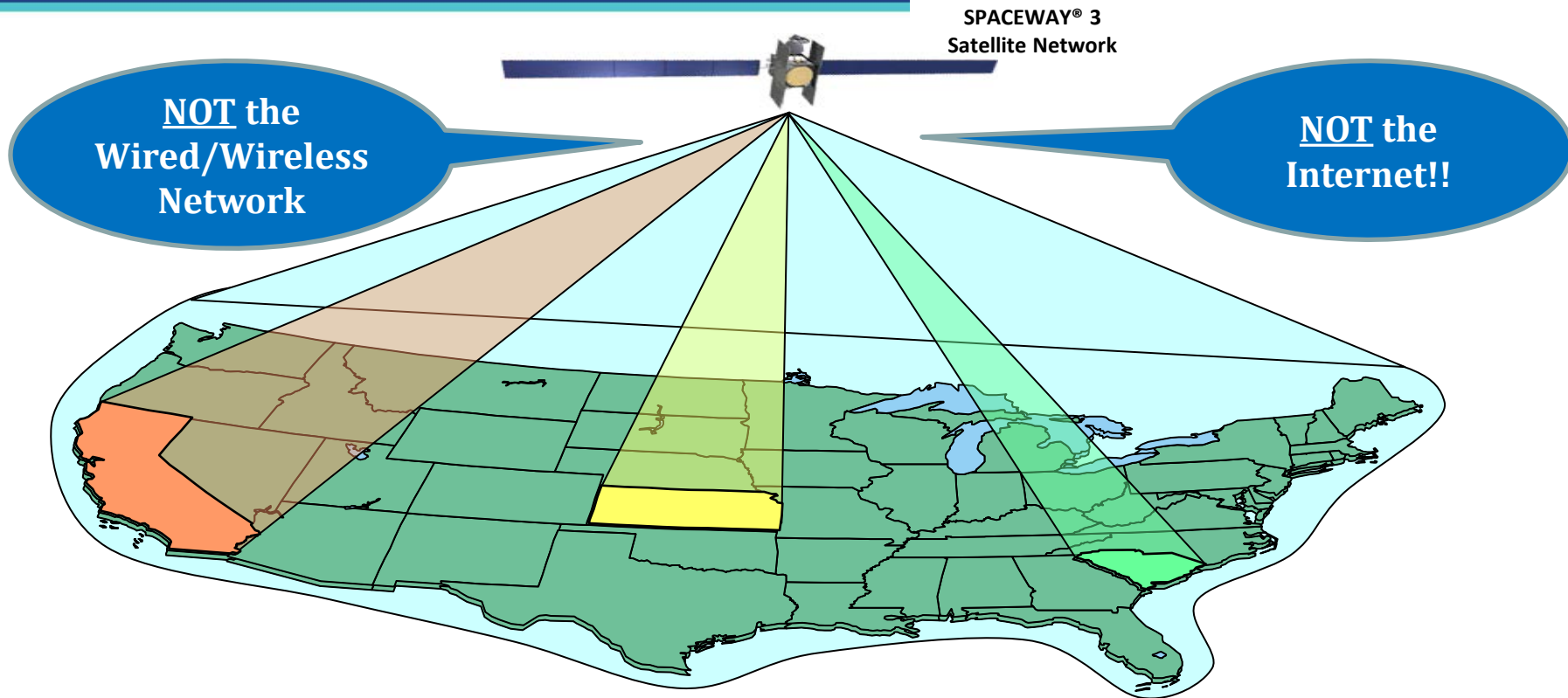
- Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP)
- NG9-1-1 Infrastructure/ecosystem
- Land Mobile Radio (LMR)
- Cellular (3G/4G/LTE)
- Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN)
- Data networks
- The Internet

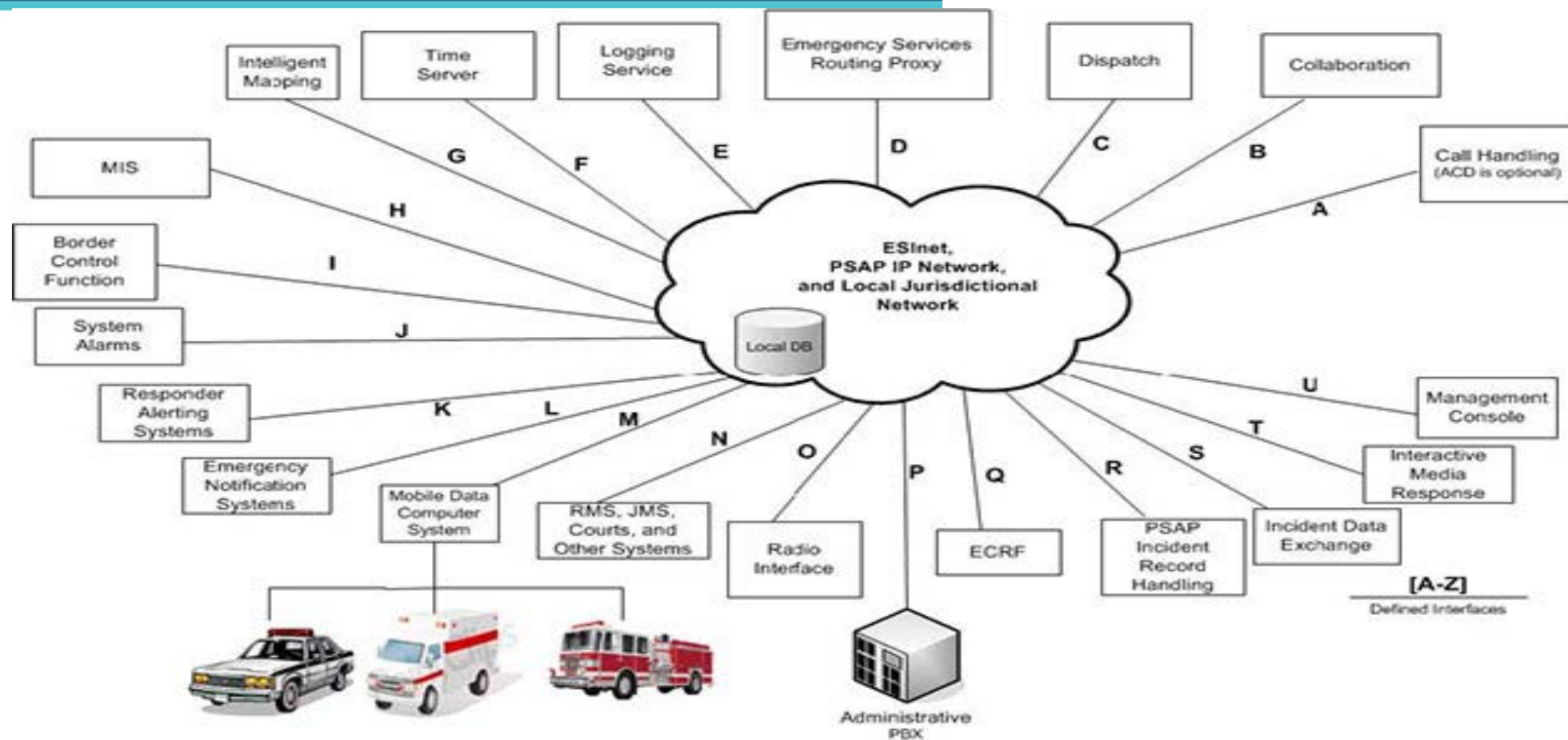
- Same “right of way”
- Outages can affect multiple carriers
- Use of same central office
- Wireless requires terrestrial backhaul



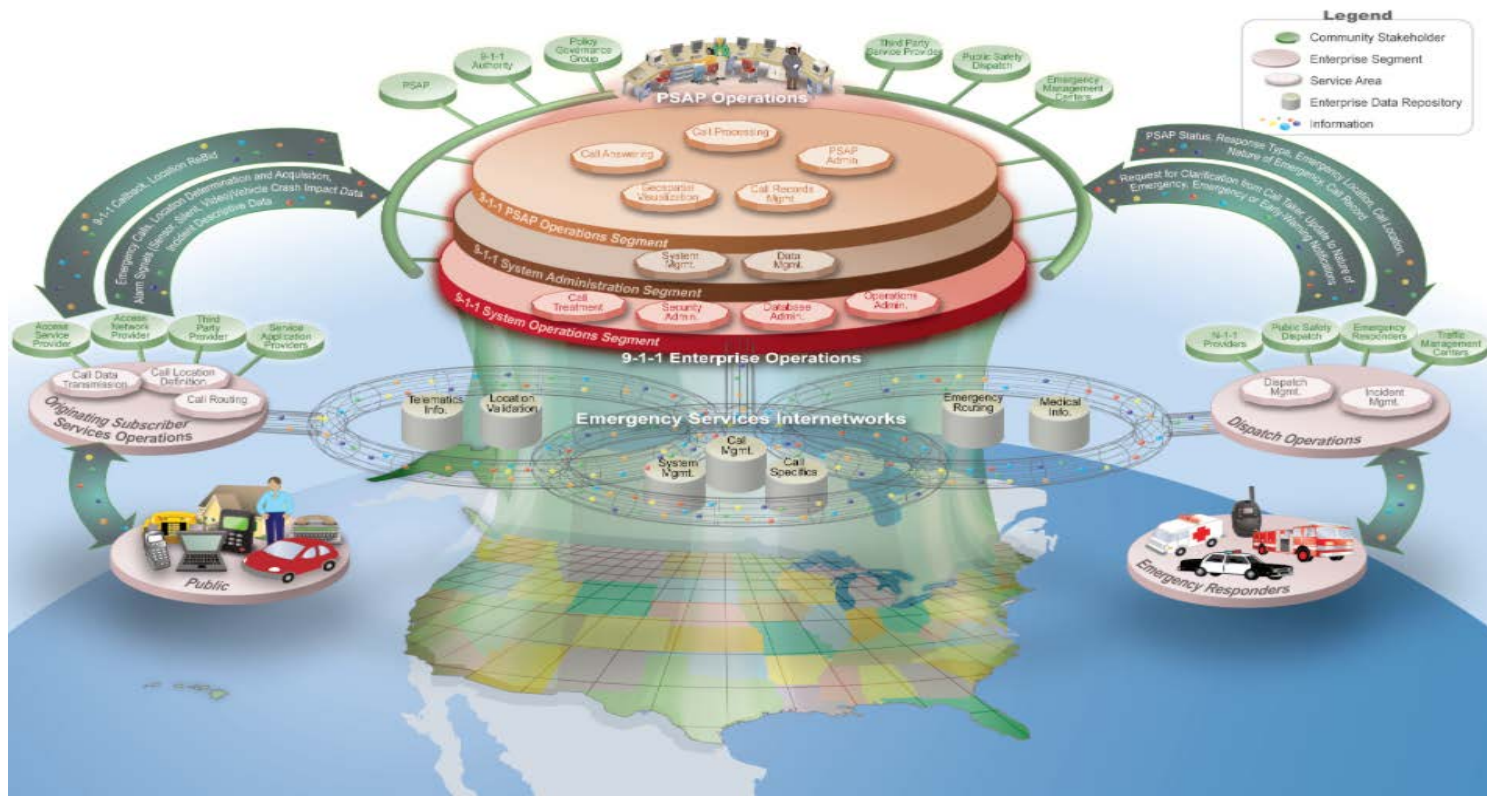
***Another terrestrial circuit is not necessarily  
a true physically diverse path!***

# Maintaining Communication During an Emergency



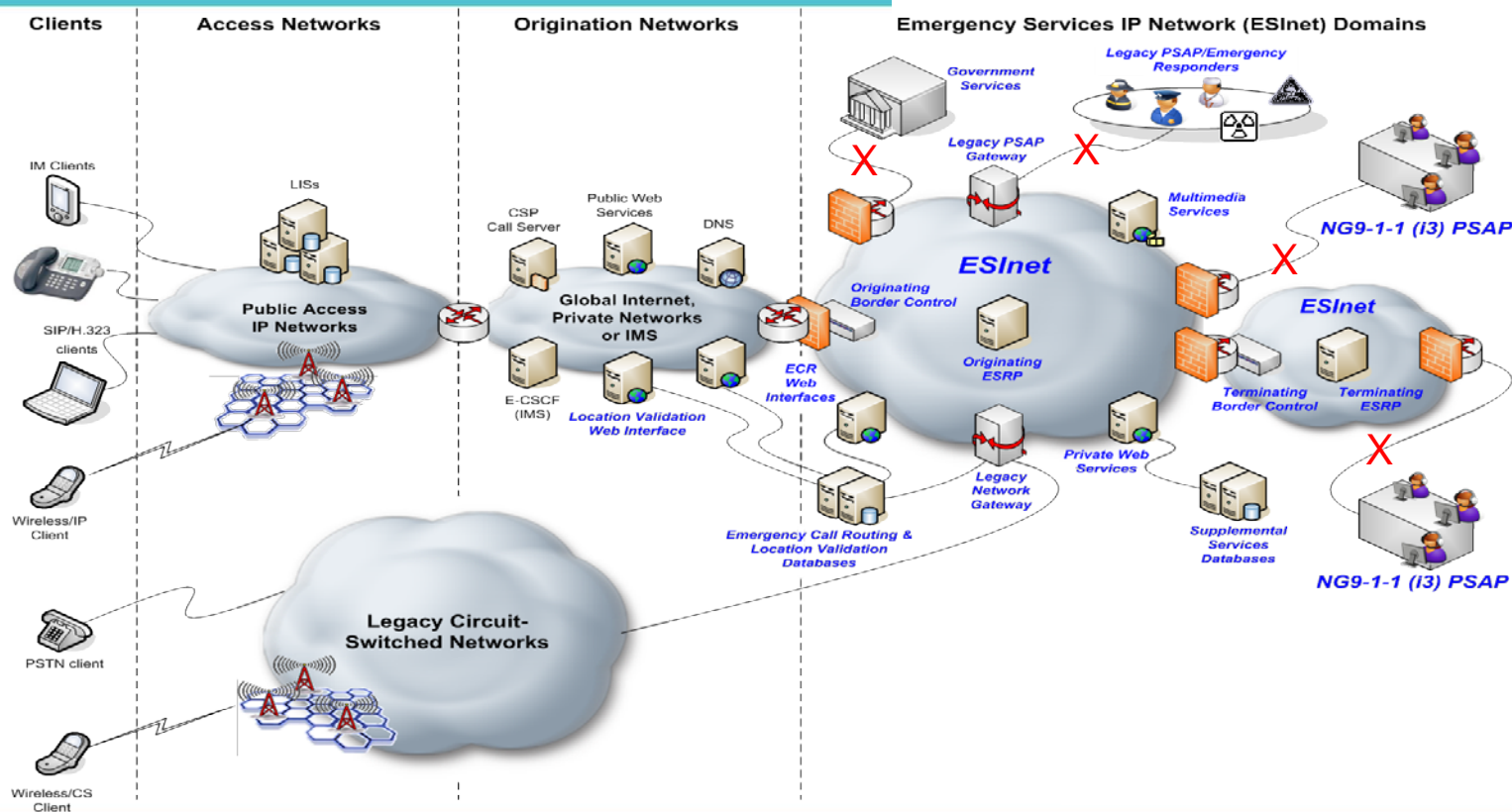


# Evolution Continues.... NG911 Community

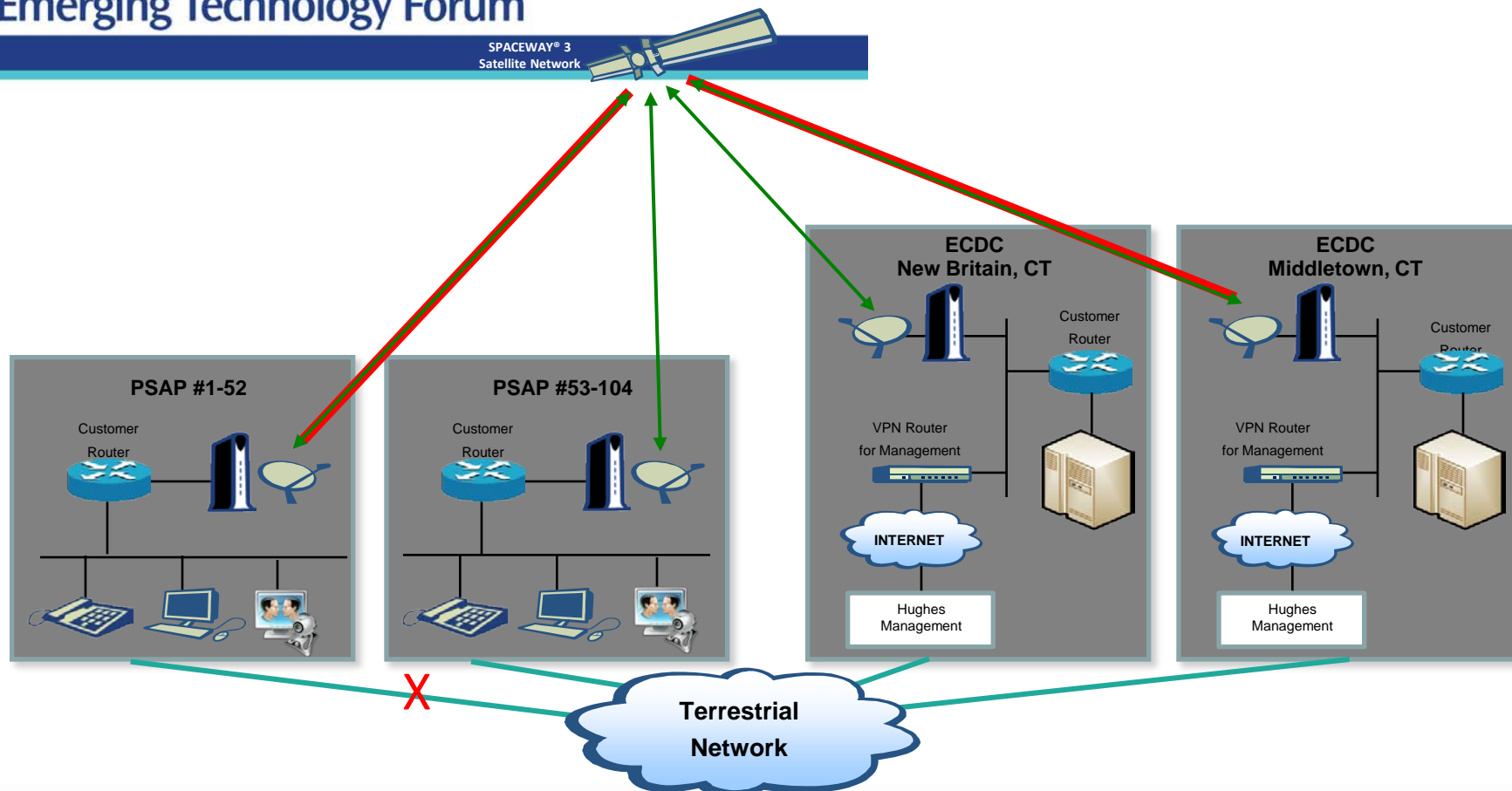




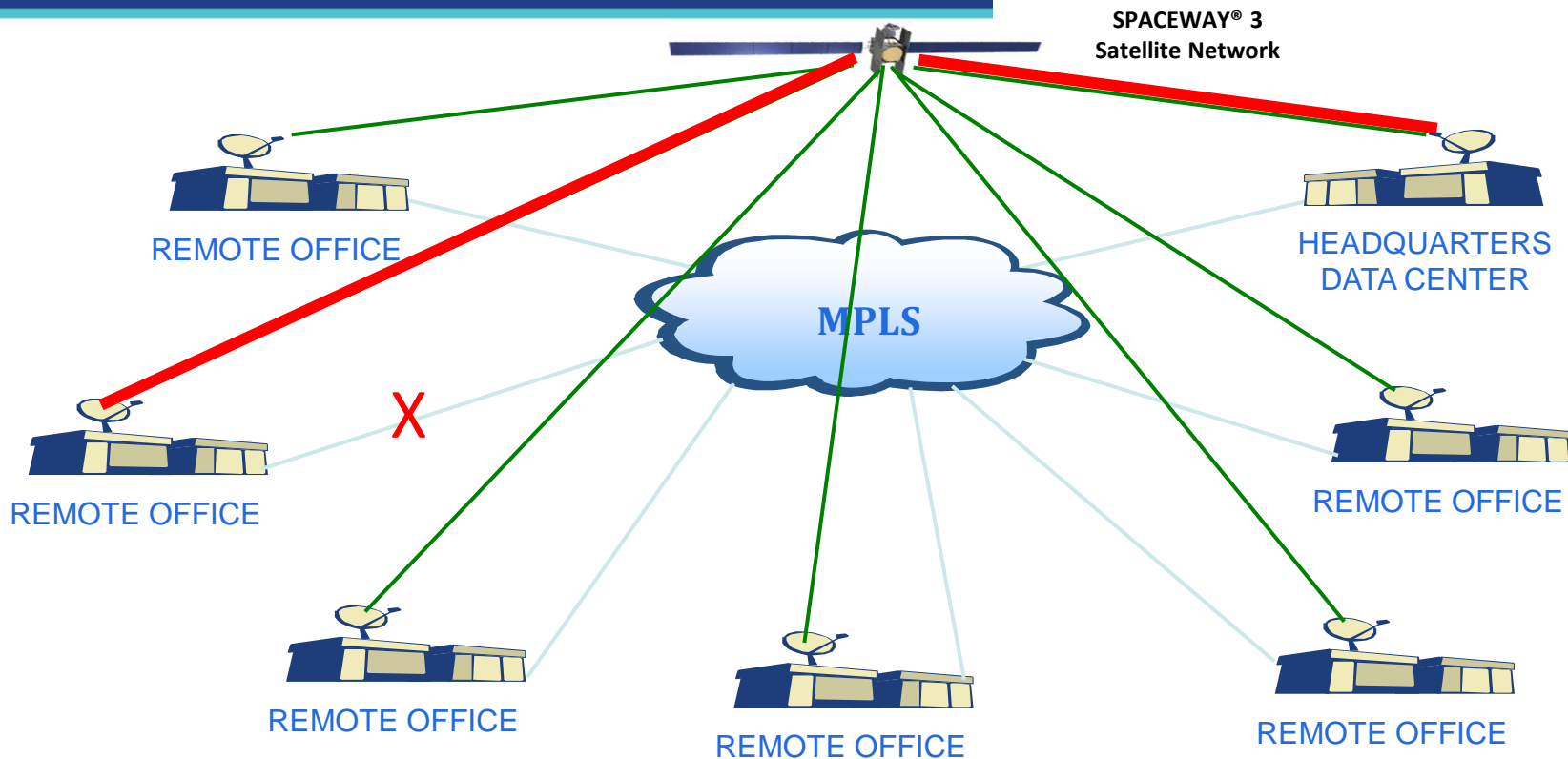
# Single Points of Failure Network Access Failures



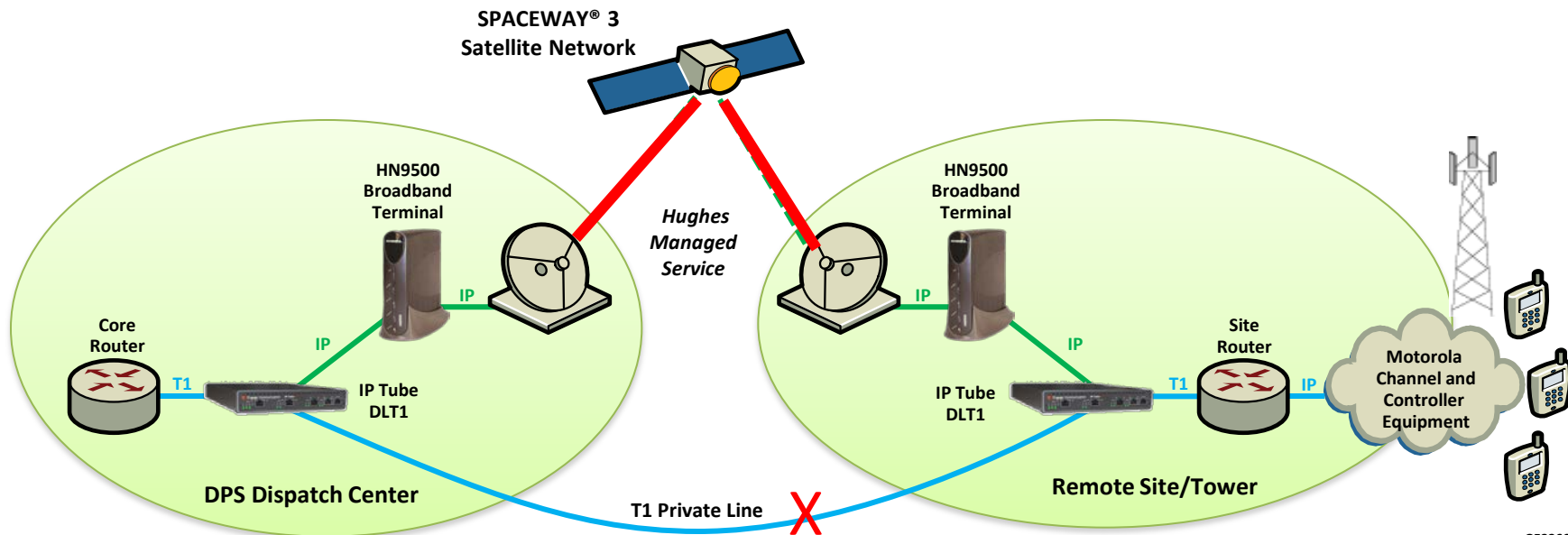
# SPACEWAY for NG911 COOP



# SPACEWAY for Key Locations COOP



# SPACEWAY for LMR Backup



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# Emergency Response

## Broadband (VSAT)



## Narrowband (BGAN)



## ■ Expectations

- Anticipated October 29, 2012, landfall of Hurricane Sandy
- Expectation that wireline/wireless communications would be devastated

## ■ Concern

- Response and recovery efforts for Hurricane Sandy would require communications networks for a greater amount of FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers



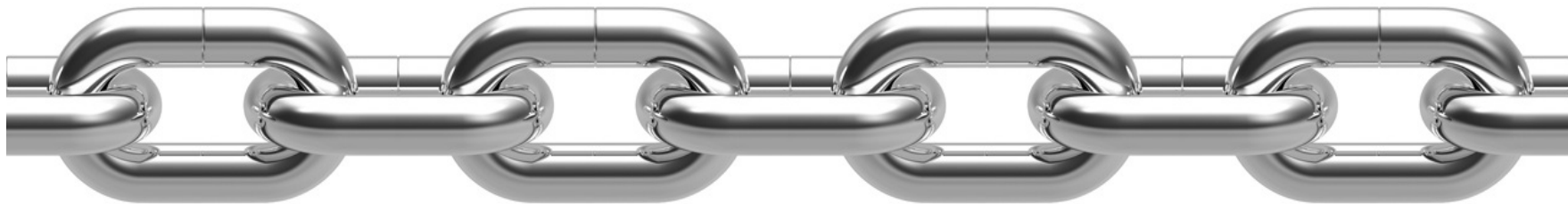
## ■ Hughes solution

- Full turnkey solution (store, install, deploy, and deinstall VSAT equipment)
- 48-hour emergency deployment of VSAT/WiFi/8 Voice lines
- Unlimited Internet and Voice usage
- 20 DRCs were enabled with
  - Hughes Spaceway (2x8 Mbps IPVPN) and
  - JUPITER™ (1x15 Mbps Internet Access)

## Three Key Points Revisited

- ✓ Know your network's weakest links  
(prepare for the worst)
  - ✓ Take steps to be prepared  
(establish a Plan B)
- ✓ Respond during the BAD DAY events  
(business as usual)

# Thank You



# Questions?

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