


McLean County, IL

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			Gridley	Chenoa	Yates	
		Hudson	Money Creek	Lexington	Lawndale	
	White Oak					Cropsey
Danvers	Dry Grove	Normal	Towanda	Blue Mound	Martin	Anchor
Allin	Dale	 City of Bloomington	Old Town	Dawson	Arrowsmith	Cheney's Grove
Mount Hope	Funks Grove	Randolph	Downs	Empire	West	Bellflower

McLean is the largest county (in area) in Illinois, almost 1200 square miles. Within McLean County is the crossroads of 3 major Interstate highways, 2 mid-sized cities and one of the largest universities in the state. With an interesting mix of urban and rural locales, one can hear just about any type call on the scanner, from homicides to missing cattle.

McLean County was one of the few installations nationwide of an EF Johnson LTR-MultiNet trunking system. This replaced several VHF and UHF channels for several agencies of the county and cities. The system never quite worked well for the county and has been replaced by reverting back to old channels (often with quite different use than before the EFJ system) and by moving to the StarCom21 system. StarCom21 is the statewide Motorola Astro25 system, and the McLean County portion was built earlier than originally planned to accommodate them.

StarCom21: Metcom is the county dispatch center, and dispatches all County emergency services and most local communities except ISU PD and Bloomington PD & FD. See the CARMA StarCom21 Profile for talkgroups and frequency assignments.

Operations known to be using StarCom21, dispatched by Metcom include:

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| McLean County Sheriff's Office | Bellflower PD |
| Chenoa PD (Also covers Gridley) | Colfax PD |
| Danvers PD | Downs PD |
| Ellsworth PD | Heyworth PD |
| Hudson PD | Lake Bloomington PD |
| Leroy PD | Lexington PD ("LX" Units) |
| McLean PD ("MC" Units) | Stanford PD |
| Normal PD | Normal FD |

McLean County Sheriff Numbering:

“Paul”	Patrol	“Sam”	Sergeants
“George”	Civil Process Unit	“David”	Detectives
“John”	Jail Transport Units	“Charles”	Mechanic
“Command x”	Command Staff (1 thru 6)	“Edward”	Coroner’s Office (1 thru 16)

County Fire Operations

Response Codes:

“Alpha” Response	Fire units, no lights or sirens
“Bravo” Response	Lights & Sirens
“Charlie” Response	Fire units with lights & siren, LifeLine with no lights or siren
“Delta” Response	Fire & LifeLine respond with lights & siren
“Echo” Response	All units respond with lights & siren, PD with AED as available also
“Omega” Response	Refer to other agency

154.1900	173.8	F1	County Fire Operations
154.2650	210.7	F2	IFERN / MABAS, MABAS Division 41
154.2350	000.0	F3	Fireground
154.8150	173.8	F4	Countywide EMS Operations, Repeats 159.0300
153.8300	69.3	F5	Fireground Red
154.2800	74.4	F6	Fireground White
154.2950	85.4	F7	Fireground Blue
155.3400	94.8	F8	MERCI 340
155.0550	000.0	F9	IREACH
154.1600	97.4	F10	Bloomington FD paging and ops, Repeats 151.220
151.1900	173.8	F11	Randolph Twp & Heyworth FD’s tac & weather spotting
154.2200	94.8	F11	Downs, Bloomington Twp & Heyworth FD’s Tac
154.1000	000.0	F11	Saybrook-Arrowsmith FD tac & weather spotting
154.0850	000.0	F11	Carlock & Danvers FPD’s Tac and weather spotting
154.9650	000.0	F11	Octivia FPD (Cooksville, Anchor, Cropsey) Tac WX
154.3025	67.0	F12	IFERN 2
153.8375	91.5	F13	Fireground Gold
154.2725	94.8	F14	Fireground Black
154.2875	136.5	F15	Fireground Gray
156.2100	94.8	F16	Paging
153.8975	100.0		Normal FD mobile extenders
159.0525	100.0		Normal FD mobile extenders (Used with StarCom21 TG 30372)
459.6500	141.3		Carlock FD Mobile Extenders
457.6500	100.0		Carlock FD Mobile Extenders
458.6000	120.0		Carlock FD Mobile Extenders
461.9500	88.5	Lifeline EMS	County EMS Dispatch
464.2750	162.2	Lifeline EMS	(Backup repeater)
466.4375	000.0	Lifeline EMS	(Mobile Extenders)
461.8000	162.2	Lifeline EMS	(Medivans)
155.2200	173.8		Lexington Ambulance Service
159.1050	118.8	Gridley Ambulance	(Repeats 156.0000)
155.0850	94.8	Leroy Ambulance Service	(Repeats 153.7850)
463.1000	94.8	Bromenn Hospital	(Med 5)
463.1250	94.8	St. Joseph Hospital	(Med 6)

Other McLean County Operations:

453.6750	173.8	“Countywide”	Disaster, Back-up	
453.5750	103.5	“Citywide”	Buildings Maintenance	
453.3375	103.5	McLean County Jail operations (Low Power)		
155.0550	000.0	IREACH (Used to contact ISP troopers)		
860.4875	Data	MDT System	(Normal)	
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039.5000		Sheriff	Old Sheriff’s Net	(no longer used)
039.6600		Sheriff	Old Sheriff’s mobiles	(no longer used)
154.6500	173.8	Sheriff	Mobile Extenders	(no longer used)
156.0150			Old Jail channel	(no longer used)
154.8900	173.8	Sheriff	Old Court security	(no longer used)
453.7250	103.5	Sheriff	Portables	(no longer used)
453.1750	103.5	Sheriff	Paging	(no longer used)

McLean County Highway and Local Government Operations:

151.0100	141.3	Hwy	County Highway Net, repeats 156.045 (also used by townships)
458.1500	103.5	LG	County Building Maintenance
453.5750	103.5	LG	Co. Building Management, also used for with hospitals (“Countywide”)

EMA Operations: *(See also StarCom21)*

453.7000	103.5	F1 McLean County EMA Dispatch Repeater
453.7000	103.5	F2 (Simplex)
453.8625	156.7	U-Tac 3 EMA Ops Team (Simplex)
155.1600	173.8	EMA Technical Support Team
045.4000	103.5	EMA Operations
045.4400	103.5	EMA Statewide Net
045.5200	000.0	EMA Operations (limited use)
045.5600	210.7	EMA Weather Link
159.1050	118.8	Gridley EMA, repeats 156.0000
453.4500	103.5	Lexington EMA
151.1900	173.8	Heyworth EMA
155.7000	000.0	Stanford EMA
154.0850	000.0	Danvers & Carlock EMA
154.9650	000.0	Colfax & Anchor EMA
155.1000	000.0	Hudson EMA
155.7900	D306	Leroy EMA (Repeats 153.8750)
045.4800	000.0	Towanda EMA

EMA Numbering:

100’s	Lexington	700’s	Carlock	3700’s	Downs
200’s	Colfax	1200’s	Chenoa	4300’s	Heyworth
300’s	Leroy	1600’s	Gridley	5300’s	Towanda
400’s	McLean	3200’s	Ellsworth	7400’s	Hudson
500’s		3400’s	Arrowsmith	7600’s	Danvers
600’s					

Township Highway Departments:

Allin		Funk's Grove
Anchor		Gridley 151.1300 (179.9)
Arrowsmith	157.6200 (203.5)	Hudson 151.0100 (141.3)
Bellflower	155.9850	151.1300 (000.0)
Bloomington	153.2450 (141.3,Rpts 159.495)	Lawndale
Blue Mound	154.0400 (000.0)	Lexington 453.4500 (103.5)
Cheney's Grove	158.8800	Martin 151.1300 (000.0)
Chenoa		Money Creek
Cropsey	156.1350	Mount Hope 151.1300 (000.0)
Dale	151.0850	Normal
Danvers	158.9400 (151.4)	Old Town 158.7450
Dawson		151.0100 (141.3)
Downs	151.0100 (141.3)	Randolph 453.3000 (192.8)
	151.1300 (179.9)	Towanda 151.0100 (141.3)
Dry Grove	463.3500 (156.7)	West 154.0550 (000.0)
	155.9400 (000.0)	White Oak 153.9200
Empire	155.9550 (173.8)	Yates 461.475 (R)

City of Bloomington:

Adam	Patrol	K9	Canine	Tom	Traffic
Baker	Special Assignment	Lincoln	Lieutenant	Victor	Vice
Frank	Training officer	Robert	School officer	700's	Park District PD
Ida	Detectives	Sam	Sergeant		

453.1500	127.3	Police	F1	Dispatch
453.9250	127.3	Police	F2	"Proactive" Tactical ops & Events channel
460.1250	127.3	Police	F3	Alternate
155.1300	000.0	Police		Car to Car
458.7375		Police		Receiver Link
458.7875		Police		Receiver Link
154.1600	97.4	Fire		Bloomington FD, Repeats 151.2200
154.1900	173.8	Fire		Bloomington Twp FPD, County Fire Net,
154.2350	000.0	Fire		Bloomington Twp FPD
453.1000	110.9	LG		Miller Park Zoo
453.1000	118.8	LG		Bloomington Parks & Recreation
453.8500		LG		Building Inspectors channel, possible future PW use
453.4000	110.9	LG		Housing Authority channel, possible future PW use
453.4750	91.5	Misc		B-N Airport Operations
453.3750		Misc		B-N Public Transit
453.4250	141.3	Misc		B-N Public Transit
453.5250		Misc		B-N Water Reclamation District
462.2375	Data	Misc		B-N Water Reclamation District (Telemetry Links)
460.9000	100.0	School		Bloomington School District 87
464.3250	131.8	School		Bloomington School District 87
157.5750		School		Bloomington Schools
157.6350		School		Bloomington Schools
151.8650	D343	School		First Student Systems (School Busses)
461.9500	91.5	EMS		Lifeline Mobile Medics
461.8000	162.2	EMS		Lifeline Mobile Medics
462.8500		Hosp		St. Joseph Medical Center
463.5125	141.3	Hosp		St. Joseph Medical Center Security, Maintenance
463.3000		Hosp		Chestnut Health Systems
461.6375	D114	Mall		Eastland Mall, Security/Maintenance

Other Cities and Villages:

Anchor	<i>(Police Patrol by McLean County Sheriff)</i>		
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Octavia FPD, County Net
Arrowsmith	<i>(Police Patrol by McLean County Sheriff)</i>		
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Saybrook-Arrowsmith FPD, County Net
154.2350		Fire	Saybrook-Arrowsmith FPD
154.1000		Fire	Saybrook-Arrowsmith FPD
Bellflower	<i>(Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)</i>		
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Bellflower FPD, County Net
045.5200	000.0	EMA	Local EMA Unit
Carlock	<i>(Police Patrol by McLean County Sheriff)</i>		
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Carlock FD, County Net
458.6500		Fire	Mobile Extenders
154.0850	000.0	LG	Carlock PW
045.5200	000.0	EMA	Local EMA Unit
Chenoa	<i>(Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)</i>		
453.4500	103.5	Police	Chenoa PD
453.5750	103.5	Police	County Net
453.7000	103.5	Police	County Net
158.8950	127.3	Police	Mobile Extenders
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Chenoa Community FPD, County Net
154.2350	000.0	Fire	Chenoa Community FPD, Alternate
045.5200	000.0	EMA	Local EMA Unit
155.0250	000.0	EMA	ESMARN
155.1150	173.8	LG	Public Works & EMA
463.7750	88.5	School	Chenoa Community School Dist
Colfax	<i>(Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)</i>		
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Octavia FPD, County Net
154.9650		LG	Local Operations
464.3250	100.0	School	Ridgeview School District 8
Cooksville	<i>(Police Patrol by McLean County Sheriff)</i>		
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Octavia FPD, County Net
Cropsey	<i>(Police Patrol by McLean County Sheriff)</i>		
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Octavia FPD, County Net
Danvers	<i>(Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)</i>		
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Danvers Community FPD, County Net
154.0850	000.0	LG	Danvers CFPD local ops and EMA
Downs	<i>(Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)</i>		
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Downs Community FPD, County Net
154.2200	94.8	Fire	Downs Community FPD, Local Alternate
El Paso	<i>(See Woodford County)</i>		
Ellsworth	<i>(Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)</i>		
154.1900	173.8	Fire	Ellsworth FPD, County Net

Gridley (Police patrol by Chenoa PD under contract, dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)
154.1900 173.8 Fire Gridley FPD, County Net
159.1050 186.2 LG Local Operations
451.3000 Misc Gridley Telephone Company (Community owned)
461.1750 114.8 School Gridley School District

Heyworth (Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)
154.1900 173.8 Fire Randolph Twp FPD, County Net
154.2350 000.0 Fire Randolph Twp FPD, Alternate
151.1900 173.8 Fire Randolph Twp FPD, Local Tac & EMA
452.1000 School Heyworth CUSD 4

Hudson (Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)
154.1900 173.8 Fire Hudson FPD, County Net

Leroy (Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)
155.7900 D306 Police Leroy PD, Repeats 153.8750
154.1900 173.8 Fire Leroy Community FPD, County Net
155.0850 94.8 LG Local Operations, Repeats 153.7850

Lexington (Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)
154.1900 173.8 Fire Lexington Community FPD, County Net
155.2200 173.8 EMS Lexington Ambulance Service
453.4500 103.5 EMA Village Ops & Local EMA unit,
045.5200 000.0 EMA Local EMA Unit
853.4875 D703 Misc Lexington Taste of Country Fair ops

McLean (Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)
154.1900 173.8 Fire Mt. Hope-Funks Grove FPD, County Net
153.8600 000.0 LG Local Operations

Normal (Police & Fire dispatch are now on StarCom21 by Metcom)
460.0250 103.5 Police F1 Old Dispatch, Now used by Parks & Rec Department
453.9500 103.5 Police F2 Alternate / Public Works
453.7750 103.5 Police F3 Car to Car
453.9250 127.3 Police F4 Bloomington PD link
453.9000 103.5 Police F6 Link to ISU PD
154.1900 173.8 Fire County Net
153.8300 69.3 Fire Fireground Red
159.0525 100.0 Fire Mobile Repeater for StarCom21, Repeats 153.8975
173.20375 Data LG Telemetry Data
155.2200 EMS Lifeline Ambulance Service
464.6500 School School District 5
155.2350 123.0 School School District 5, repeats 153.7400
464.6375 82.5 School Normal Community HS West
467.7625 82.5 School Normal Community HS
464.8250 85.4 Hosp Bromenn Regional Medical Center (Security)
464.0250 85.4 Hosp Bromenn Regional Medical Center (Maintenance)
461.6250 Hosp Bromenn Regional Medical Center

Saybrook (Police Patrol by McLean County Sheriff)
154.1900 173.8 Fire Saybrook-Arrowsmith FPD, County Net
154.2350 Fire Saybrook-Arrowsmith FPD
154.1000 LG Public Works, also Saybrook-Arrowsmith FPD

Shirley (Police Patrol by McLean County Sheriff)
154.1900 173.8 Fire Dale Twp FPD, County Net
045.5200 000.0 EMA Dale Twp EMA Unit

Stanford (Police dispatch on StarCom21 by Metcom)
154.1900 173.8 Fire Allin Twp FPD, County Net
155.7000 000.0 EMA Stanford EMA
451.3000 School Olympia School District 16
452.8000 School Olympia School District 16
155.2650 School Olympia School District 16
151.9550 School Olympia School District 16

Towanda (Police Patrol by McLean County Sheriff)
154.1900 173.8 Fire Towanda FD, County Net
045.4800 000.0 EMA Towanda Twp EMA Unit

Illinois State University (Normal) (Also uses ClearTalk and Starcom21 systems)
453.9000 103.5 Police F1 ISU Housing (Former Police Dispatch)
453.6500 103.5 Misc F2 ISU Parking Services
453.0250 103.5 Police Tac1 Simplex
453.2000 103.5 Police Tac2 Health & Safety Office
453.8750 103.5 Police Tac3 Simplex (Rarely used)
453.8750 173.8 Misc Recreational Services (Simplex)
453.8750 131.8 Misc F3 Facilities Management (Also residence hall dining centers)
453.8750 151.4 Misc ISU Ushers
453.6000 131.8 Misc ISU Maintenance
453.8125 151.4 Misc Redbird Arena and other Athletic Venues
453.3000 151.4 Misc Bone Student Center
458.3000 000.0 Misc Braden Auditorium techs
458.8750 151.4 Misc Hancock Stadium operations
461.8375 D612 Misc Athletics Concessions
170.1500 Misc Broadcast operations
189.8000 Misc Redbird Arena "Telex" system
452.1875 Data Misc Golf Course sprinkler system
462.8250 000.0 Misc Campus Paging

Illinois Wesleyan University (Bloomington)
453.0000 97.4 Security 453.0000 110.9 Food Services
461.7000 167.9 Residence Halls 152.3300 repeats 157.5900
154.5400 151.4 repeats 159.5400

Mitsubishi Motors plant (Normal)
451.6750 D506 Production Line 451.4250 451.5750
461.7500 88.5 Maintenance 451.6250 461.0750
462.2000 94.8 Security 462.2250 462.3250
462.3500 91.5 Phone Patch 462.3500 462.3750
462.3000 91.5 Security Manager 462.4000 463.4250
462.4250 85.4 Fire & Safety 463.6250 463.9250

State Farm Insurance HQ Offices(Bloomington)
464.4750 Misc 462.7750 Misc

State Farm used to have a Type I Motorola trunked system, System ID 3918, Fleet Map DDDDCCzz on the below frequencies, but the system appears to have been dismantled in favor of commercial services.

854.8375 856.8875 856.9125 857.8375 857.8875
858.8125 858.8375 859.8125 859.8875 860.8125

Central Illinois Regional Airport (BMI)

124.6000	AM	Tower / CTAF	128.9500	AM	United Express
121.6500	AM	Ground Control	129.0000	AM	TWE Airlines
135.3500	AM	ATIS	130.5500	AM	Northwest Link
122.9500	AM	Unicom	130.8250	AM	AirTran
118.0500	AM	Peoria Approach	131.6000	AM	American Eagle
462.6250	167.9	FBO Fuel Trucks			
453.4750	91.5	Airport Operations & Maintenance			
172.9000	P25	Transportation Safety Administration (TSA)			



Railroads:

Union Pacific runs the former Alton/GM&O from Joliet to St. Louis thru Chenoa, Lexington, Bloomington-Normal and McLean, using 161.280 for Road operations and 161.550 for the yard in Bloomington

Toledo, Peoria & Western runs a line across the state thru Gridley and Chenoa, using 161.400 for Road.

Norfolk Southern runs the former Wabash line from Gibson City to Bloomington Normal and the former Conrail line from Bloomington-Normal to Peoria, using 160.440.

Canadian National runs it's former Illinois Central line to Springfield thru Bellflower, using 161.190.