

# SWCD Cellular Data Service Purchasing Guidance

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## Background

Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts may use one of two options when purchasing cellular phone service through the grant.

### Option 1 – Local Purchase

The TSSWCB encourages SWCDs to purchase cellular service from a local vendor when possible as it may simplify the purchasing process and provide the SWCD with a local point of contact for additional services such as extended warranties and hardware support. Examples of local cellular phone vendors could include Radio Shack, Cricket Wireless, or Wal-Mart.

### Option 2 – Purchase from a State of Texas Contracted PC Vendor

The companies listed below provide Texas state and local government organizations with cellular phone services through contracts administered by the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR). The TSSWCB has had successful working relationships with the vendors listed and provides this information in the hopes it may be helpful to SWCDs.

To access state pricing, an SWCD should reference the DIR wireless contracts. The pricing on these contacts is generally more competitive than what would be otherwise available.

## Contracts

Verizon Wireless	<a href="#">DIR-TELE-CTSA-003</a>	Wireless Voice and Data Products
AT&T Corp.	<a href="#">DIR-TELE-CTSA-002</a>	Wireless Voice and Data Products

## Vendor Contact Information

To place an order, check status of an existing order, or get additional information about available wireless services, please contact your wireless vendor directly.

- **Verizon Wireless**  
[Claudio Alvarez](#) – (949) 246-0236
- **AT&T**  
[Marcus Montemayor](#) – (512) 439-9533

## TSSWCB Assistance

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