



**Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG)  
Joint Powers Authority Agenda**

**Thursday, August 17, 2023, 8:30 a.m.**

**Dual Locations: Bishop Council Chambers and Mammoth Lakes Council Chambers**

**Bishop Council Chambers 377 West Line Street, Bishop, CA 93514**

**Mammoth Lakes Council Chambers 437 Old Mammoth Rd., Ste Z Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546**

**Members of the Board**

Inyo County Supervisor Jeff Griffiths - Chair, Mono County Supervisor Bob Gardner - Vice Chair,  
Inyo County Supervisor Trina Orrill, Mono County Supervisor Lynda Salcido,  
Town of Mammoth Lakes Mayor John Wentworth,  
Town of Mammoth Lakes Councilmember Chris Bubser,  
City of Bishop Councilmember Karen Schwartz, City of Bishop Councilmember Stephen Muchovej

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**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

**4.1 Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 15, 2023**

**5. POLICY MATTERS**

**5.1 Consider Concept Application for the State of California, Caltrans, Reconnecting Communities: Highways to Boulevard Grant (Cal RC:H2B Grant) and Adopt a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments Authorizing the Executive Director to Submit an Application for the California Department of Transportation Reconnecting Communities: Highways to Boulevards Grant**

**5.2 Receive an Update Regarding the Community Economic Resiliency Fund (CERF) from the Sierra Business Council**

**5.3 Receive an Update on Discussions Regarding Proportionate Budget Contributions from Member Agencies and Appoint Members of the Board to an Ad Hoc Subcommittee for Further Discussion**

**5.4 Review and Approve Scope of Work for a Contract with an Assistant Regional Interagency Liaison**

**5.5 Approve Inyo Mono Broadband Consortium Budget Modification Request to the California Public Utilities Commission for the California Advanced Services Fund Grant**

**5.6 Inyo Mono Broadband Consortium Activities Report Provided by Eastern Sierra Regional Broadband Coordinator Scott Armstrong**

**5.7 Executive Director Update Report**

**6. BOARD MEMBER/AGENCY REPORTS**

Informational reports from Member Agency representatives on committees, commissions, and organizations; general reports on Board Member activities

**7. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**8. CLOSED SESSION**

**8.1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957 –  
Title: Executive Director**

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The ESCOG will adjourn to the next regular meeting scheduled to be held on October 19, 2023.



## Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG) - Joint Powers Authority (JPA)

### Minutes of Regular Meeting

June 15, 2023, 8:30 a.m.

437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite Z, Mammoth Lakes

Members Present: Chair Jeff Griffiths, Vice Chair Bob Gardner, Board Member Trina Orrill, Board Member Lynda Salcido, Board Member John Wentworth, Board Member Chris Bubser, Board Member Stephen Muchovej

Members Absent: Board Member Karen Schwartz

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#### 1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Vice Chair Bob Gardner called the meeting to order at 8:41 a.m. in the Council Chamber, at 437 Old Mammoth Road, Mammoth Lakes, CA.

##### 1.1 **Request to approve Supervisor Salcido's Remote Participation in the June 15, 2023 ESCOG Meeting Pursuant to AB 2449**

Moved by Board Member Stephen Muchovej  
Seconded by Board Member John Wentworth

Approve Supervisor Lynda Salcido's Remote Participation in the June 15, 2023 ESCOG Meeting Pursuant to Assembly Bill 2449.

For (5): Vice Chair Bob Gardner, Board Member Trina Orrill, Board Member John Wentworth, Board Member Chris Bubser, and Board Member Stephen Muchovej

Against (1): Board Member Lynda Salcido

Absent (2): Chair Jeff Griffiths, and Board Member Karen Schwartz

Carried (5 to 1)

#### 2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice Chair Bob Gardner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments given at this time.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Board Member John Wentworth  
Seconded by Board Member Chris Bubser

Approve the Consent Agenda.

For (6): Vice Chair Bob Gardner, Board Member Trina Orrill, Board Member Lynda Salcido, Board Member John Wentworth, Board Member Chris Bubser, and Board Member Stephen Muchovej

Absent (2): Chair Jeff Griffiths, and Board Member Karen Schwartz

Carried (6 to 0)

**4.1 Approve the minutes of the April 21, 2023 Special Meeting**

**4.2 Approve Modification of Amendment USFS Collection Agreement Between the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments and the United State Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service Inyo National Forest**

**5. POLICY MATTERS**

**5.1 Receive a Presentation from Patricia Robertson, Executive Director, Mammoth Lakes Housing**

Executive Director Elaine Kabala outlined the information in the staff report.

Mammoth Lake Housing (MLH) Executive Director Patricia Robertson announced that the MLH Board of Directors had recently approved a name change from MLH to Eastern Sierra Community Housing (ESCH), and outlined the information in the Eastern Sierra Community Housing Regional Opportunities PowerPoint presentation.

There was discussion between Ms. Kabala, Ms. Robertson, and members of the Board.

Board Member Stephen Muchovej left the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

The Board went into recess at 10:13 a.m.

**5.2 Receive a Presentation from Neil Peacock, Supervising Transportation Planner, Caltrans, Regarding Submitting a Reconnecting Communities/Highways to Boulevards grant via the ESCOG**

The Board reconvened at 10:25 a.m.

Caltrans District 9 Supervising Transportation Planner Neil Peacock discussed the Reconnecting Communities: Highway to Boulevards (RC:H2B) Pilot Program which would be launched by Caltrans and requested that the ESCOG serve as the lead applicant with Caltrans District 9 as a co-applicant for a RC:H2B grant. Mr. Peacock introduced Caltrans Active Transportation Specialist Andrew **Bissould (SP?)** and Regional Funding Specialist Catherine Carr and reported that they would be available to assist Executive Director Elaine Kabala with the proposal.

Staff was given direction to work with Mr. Peacock and his team to develop a concept proposal and budget and to present that to the Board for consideration at the August meeting.

There was discussion between Mr. Peacock, Ms. Kabala and members of the Board.

**5.3 Receive an Update Regarding the Community Economic Resiliency Fund (CERF) from Stacy Corless, Government and Community Affairs Director, Sierra Business Council**

Sierra Business Council (SBC) Government and Community Affairs Director Stacy Corless Sierra Business Council introduced Eastside Coordinator Magnolia Barra, and gave an update on the Community Economic Resiliency Fund (CERF) program. Ms. Corless requested that the ESCOG provide formal comments in support of the CERF program, and spoke about the High Road Transition Collaborative (HRTC).

Ms. Barra provided an update on the efforts that she and Executive Director Elaine Kabala had collaborated on to date related to CERF, and discussed the upcoming work they would focus on.

There was discussion between Ms. Corless, Ms. Kabala and members of the Board.

Board Member John Wentworth left the meeting at 11:01 a.m.

**5.4 Ratify Agreement with the Sierra Business Council for the Purpose of the Community Economic Resiliency Fund (CERF)**

This item was taken out of order.

Executive Director Elaine Kabala outlined the information in the staff report.

There was discussion between Ms. Kabala, Legal Counsel John-Carl Vallejo and members of the Board.

Moved by Board Member John Wentworth

Seconded by Board Member Trina Orrill

Approve an Agreement between the Sierra Business Council and the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments for consulting services for the California Economic Resiliency Fund (CERF) as presented.

For (6): Vice Chair Bob Gardner, Board Member Trina Orrill, Board Member Lynda Salcido, Board Member John Wentworth, Board Member Chris Bubser, and Board Member Stephen Muchovej

Absent (2): Chair Jeff Griffiths, and Board Member Karen Schwartz

Carried (6 to 0)

**5.5 Approve Fiscal Year 2023-2024 ESCOG Budget**

This item was taken out of order.

Executive Director Elaine Kabala outlined the information in the staff report.

Chair Jeff Griffiths joined the meeting at 9:02 a.m.

Board Member Stephen Muchovej requested that a discussion be added to a future meeting to determine equitable contributions from each member agency.

Mono County Finance Director Janet Dutcher discussed the purpose and importance of continued member contributions even though there were excess funds in the budget.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR:

Mammoth Lakes Housing (MLH) Executive Director Patricia Robertson discussed the importance of today's conversation around the budget, and

the difference between general funds and grant funds and how they could be used.

There was discussion between Ms. Kabala, Legal Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, Ms. Dutcher and members of the Board.

Moved by Board Member John Wentworth  
Seconded by Board Member Trina Orrill

Adopt the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 ESCOG Budget as presented.

For (7): Chair Jeff Griffiths, Vice Chair Bob Gardner, Board Member Trina Orrill, Board Member Lynda Salcido, Board Member John Wentworth, Board Member Chris Bubser, and Board Member Stephen Muchovej

Absent (1): Board Member Karen Schwartz

Carried (7 to 0)

**5.6 Approve Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Partnership Memorandum of Understanding and Authorize the Chair to Sign**

This item was taken out of order.

Executive Director Elaine Kabala outlined the information in the staff report.

There was discussion between Ms. Kabala and members of the Board.

Moved by Board Member John Wentworth  
Seconded by Vice Chair Bob Gardner

Authorize the Chair to Sign the Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Partnership (ESSRP) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

For (7): Chair Jeff Griffiths, Vice Chair Bob Gardner, Board Member Trina Orrill, Board Member Lynda Salcido, Board Member John Wentworth, Board Member Chris Bubser, and Board Member Stephen Muchovej

Absent (1): Board Member Karen Schwartz

Carried (7 to 0)



**5.7 Update from Eastern Sierra Regional Broadband Coordinator Scott Armstrong**

Eastern Sierra Regional Broadband Coordinator Scott Armstrong outlined the information in the ESCOG Broadband Update PowerPoint Presentation.

There was discussion between Mr. Armstrong and members of the Board.

**5.8 Executive Director Update Report**

Executive Director Elaine Kabala provided an update on the following: Sustainable Recreation Ecosystem Management Program (SREMP) work, California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) grant funding changes, the Towns to Trails program, the Buttermilk Infrastructure and Recreation Planning (BIRPI) project, and Comprehensive the Economic Development Strategy (CEDS).

There was discussion between Ms. Kabala and members of the Board.

**6. BOARD MEMBER/AGENCY REPORTS**

Chair Jeff Griffiths reported that the Towns to Trails kick off was successful, and said that the Bishop Rodeo was fantastic.

Board Member Trina Orrill said that she would attend the rodeo tonight after the North Round Valley Bridge officially opened.

Board Member Chris Bubser reported that the Town of Mammoth Lakes (TOML) Town Council approved the Tourism Business Improvement District (TBID) last night for a five year term.

There was discussion among members of the Board.

**7. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Board Member Chris Bubser requested a discussion regarding the ESCOG drafting a letter in opposition to Senate Bill 584 (SB 584).

Vice Chair Bob Gardner requested that an item for additional discussion about the budget be added to a future agenda.

There was discussion between Executive Director Elaine Kabala, Legal Counsel John-Carl Vallejo and members of the Board.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

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Angela Plaisted, Assistant Clerk



**Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG)  
Joint Powers Authority Agenda**

**STAFF REPORT**

**To:** ESCOG Joint Powers Authority

**From:** Elaine Kabala, ESCOG Executive Director

**Subject:** Consider Concept Application for the State of California, Caltrans, Reconnecting Communities: Highways to Boulevard Grant (Cal RC:H2B Grant) and Adopt a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments Authorizing the Executive Director to Submit and Application for the California Department of Transportation Reconnecting Communities: Highways to Boulevards Grant

**Meeting date:** August 17, 2023

**Prepared on:** August 10, 2023

**Attachments:** A) Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments Authorizing the Executive Director to Submit and Application for the California Department of Transportation Reconnecting Communities: Highways to Boulevards Grant  
B) Project Area Map  
C) Existing Plan Inventory

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**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

At the previous ESCOG Meeting held on June 15, Neil Peacock, Supervising Transportation Planner, Caltrans District 9 (D9) spoke before the ESCOG Executive Board to make your Board aware of the recent announcement of the Reconnecting Communities: Highways to Boulevards Grant opportunity. There is both a Federal grant Highways-to-Boulevards program as well as a State-funded companion program, also known as Highways-to-Boulevards (H2B). Mr. Peacock noted that the scale of the potential grant award presents a once-in-every-other-generation opportunity. In further researching this opportunity, it was determined the Cal RC:H2B Grant is the appropriate grant to pursue for this partnership. The H2B grant has \$149 million in available funds to be distributed across only three awards: one urban, one rural, and one corridor. The Board provided direction to work with staff to prepare a conceptual scope and budget to inform a grant application. The applications are due September 20, 2023.

Research by D9 and ESCOG staff, in consultation with Caltrans Reconnecting Communities Program, has led to the conclusion that the best course of action for the proposed partnership would be to apply for the Cal RC:H2B Grant under the “Corridor” designation. As a Corridor applicant, if awarded a grant, the funds could be used on projects in different communities all along the 395 Corridor in both Mono and Inyo Counties. The grant guidelines specify that the project scope, schedule, and budget are not expected to be finalized as part of the application submission; rather, the grant application functions more as a call for proposals. If a grant is awarded, Caltrans will work with the partnering agencies to define the project scope, schedule, and budget.

From the grant guidelines: “An application will include the full projected lifecycle of a project(s) from concept to final completion, **but may not have defined scope, schedule, and budget for all phases at time of application.** A project may include multiple phases and components. The potential for concurrent or expedited delivery of project components or phase components may be considered, as determined prior to the start of each project phase.”

Project work is expected to be completed in 2026. The tight timeline, paired with the complexity of implementation across numerous partners and geographies will limit the ability to implement physical infrastructure: however, the grant presents an opportunity to move many of the larger visions of the communities on the 395 corridor from planning to “shovel ready” projects, which each jurisdiction and Caltrans can leverage to expedient implementation through other funding sources in the future.

Awarded funds can also be used as a match for the Federal Infrastructure Bill Highways to Boulevards program, allowing this opportunity to be a catalyst for larger project opportunities in the future.

### **Description of Proposed Project Scope:**

If a grant is awarded, the first phase is a mandated “Community Readiness” phase, in which all partners and Caltrans Headquarters would audit existing plans for project readiness. It is during this phase that the scope, schedule, and budget would be finalized. The outcomes and deliverables of the Community Readiness phase will be the preparation of a preliminary outline or vision of the projected future phases and components, including a draft financial plan, identification of community stakeholders/ partners and their role(s), and a plan to address the applicable Program Goals and efforts proposed in the application. A detailed scope, schedule, and budget will also be developed for the next phase of the project. Prior to initiating work on each phase, or a component of each phase, the awardee shall work with Caltrans to prepare a PSA that includes the scope, schedule, and budget.

The scope is broadly proposed as the following:

Phase 1: Consolidate already completed plans into a single corridor plan. Staff has been working with Caltrans and regional partners to develop a library of existing planning documents and previous visioning efforts.

- Confirm public support for the concepts proposed in past planning efforts. The ESCOG and its consultants will work with partner agencies to confirm the adopted plans are still relevant and desirable.
- Identify planning gaps for achieving the broader corridor vision. Several communities do not have plans in place documenting the communities’ concerns regarding Highway 395 and a vision to mitigate those concerns in their central business district. These communities include Independence, Big Pine, and some Tribal communities. (see Attachment C).
- Identify common themes for incremental project implementation. Analysis of existing plans has identified similar traffic calming solutions identified in each community, including standardized gateway signage for each community with a consistent Eastern Sierra branding, consistent

speeds coming into communities, enhanced crosswalk visibility, streetscaping, and street trees.

Phase 2: Conduct planning studies for identified gaps. Several communities do not have individual downtown community or specific plans in place documenting the community’s vision. The ESCOG and its consultants will work with partner agencies to develop a vision specific to the scope of this funding opportunity to address Main Street enhancements.

This phase can also be leveraged to implement identified next steps from other planning efforts if desired by the community in Phase 1 without committing to full design and engineering. For instance, the Bishop Area Access and Circulation Feasibility Study includes recommendations for an alternative truck route and improved City circulation which can be advanced by determining community support for a preferred alignment and conducting initial feasibility studies.

Phase 3: Prepare design / engineering for projects identified for near-term and long-term implementation. This phase will be informed by the Community Readiness Phase and Phase 1 to determine the status of existing planning projects, which can be implemented within the term of the grant funding, and which can move into design and engineering phases to become “shovel ready” projects.

Phase 4: Implement incremental projects. Projects that can be moved through design, engineering, and encroachment within the funding timeline may be advanced for implementation. Such projects may include the implementation of the 2010 Highway 395 Corridor Enhancement Project (gateway signage, the 2021 Sustainable Tourism and Recreation Initiative Scenic Byway Analysis, and streetscaping projects within each community.

Project implementation would occur through each partnering jurisdiction through encroachment permits from Caltrans. The infrastructure improvements would be owned and maintained by the implementing agency unless otherwise agreed upon.

If ESCOG and D9 are awarded Cal RC:H2B Grant funds, the moneys would be used to hire a consultant to refine and advance select ideas previously explored and identified in the many planning studies and bring them to a “shovel-ready” status. If the grant schedule allowed, it may even be possible to start construction on several of the projects. Also, even if this grant schedule does not allow us to fund the construction of projects, the monies would have brought several projects through final design, making them “shovel ready” and then eligible for construction grants through the Federally funded Reconnecting Community: Highways to Boulevard grant program which is also generously funded. Cal RC:H2B Grant funds could also be used as a match for the similarly named Federal program. Caltrans Headquarters and D9 staff will also help find funding sources to complete the projects that are initiated with the Cal RC:H2B Grant.

**Conceptual Budget:**

As described, the H2B proposal does not require a finalized budget. The conceptual budget below is for consideration and is subject to change.

<b>Phase</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Phase 1	\$750k
Phase 2	\$1.5M
Phase 3	\$8M
Phase4	\$30M

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$40.25M</b>
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**Lead Applicant / Co-Applicant / Partner Responsibilities:**

The ESCOG would serve as the lead application for the project and would be the primary grant administrator responsible for the program, hiring and managing contractors, and fiscal reporting. Caltrans and partner jurisdictions (such as Federal Tribes, Counties, and incorporated cities) would serve as co-applicants with implementation authority.

Applicant Type	Roles & Responsibility	Requirement
Lead Applicant	The primary grant administrator; in charge of the program and fiscal reporting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· There is only one lead applicant.</li> <li>· Must have an existing Master Agreement with DLA.</li> <li>· Must act as grant administrator, unless designate an implementing agency.</li> <li>· The Lead cannot be Caltrans.</li> </ul>
Co-Applicant(s)	An eligible applicant who is jointly involved in the submittal of program application. Multiple co-applicants are encouraged.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Must be an eligible applicant.</li> <li>· Must be Caltrans if project on SHS.</li> </ul>
Implementing Agency	Is the lead applicant or co-applicant who will carry out the implementation of work for a particular phase or project component.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Must be a Lead or Co-Applicant.</li> <li>· Must have an existing Master Agreement with DLA.</li> <li>· May vary per project phase.</li> </ul>
Partnering Organization(s)	Local agency, Tribal government, or other organizations with a history of providing community-based outreach or technical assistance who will provide value to the application.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· May or may not be an eligible applicant.</li> <li>· Must submit proof of active partnership and partnership structure that identifies roles and responsibilities of each partner identified in the application.</li> </ul>

**Partner Agency Support and Concerns:**

ESCOG and Caltrans staff have met with Planning and Public Works Director and staff to discuss this opportunity. Each jurisdiction supported pursuing this considerable opportunity. Likewise, each jurisdiction supports the ESCOG providing capacity to support this regional project, and were enthusiastic about the opportunity to strengthen regional partnerships, collaboration with Caltrans, and advocacy for the Eastern Sierra to the State of California.

The following concerns were provided:

- All Planning and Public Works Departments have capacity constraints; however, each jurisdiction supported that the scope of the opportunity holds significant enough benefit to Eastern Sierra communities that is worth the risk to apply. Some departments expressed they would not have staff resources to do the work if it were awarded.
- Elected officials need to lobby the State legislature for more realistic implementation timelines.

- Primary concern is making sure that whatever grant is pursued is not only feasible to deliver on, but also realistic. The coordination of nine communities as well as the Tribes, will be a challenge, especially given the timeframe for the grant funding. There is only 2.5 years from grant award notification to complete the project. Considering that it takes nearly 6 months to execute an agreement with Caltrans, and then possibly another several months to staff up, there may be less than 2 years to expend the funds. Right-sizing the scope of the project to ensure a successful (implementable) outcome is critical.
- The jurisdictions expressed skepticism of this new, innovative Caltrans grant structure.
- There are concerns regarding construction on Caltrans infrastructure and within their right-of-way. Obtaining an encroachment permit can be a lengthy process, and project oversight would strain staff capacity. Infrastructure improvements would be owned by the implementing agency and would have ongoing maintenance costs.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Do not attempt to apply for the grant.

If the ESCOG Board provides direction to apply for the grant, staff will work with Caltrans staff to prepare an application. Submittal will require an authorizing resolution from the ESCOG Board, as well as each Member Agency.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

No budget impacts are associated with the preparation of the grant application. Caltrans has generously provided staff to assist with writing and coordinating the application.

If the grant is awarded, there is no matching grant requirement nor is there a requirement to submit a budget to be considered for a grant award. Grants will be awarded based on need and the quality and completeness of the application. Budgets and grant scope will be established after the grant is awarded. Also, the unique nature of this grant program is set up with the understanding that small communities do not have the financial assets to lay out funds of this magnitude, even for a short period of time. The RC:H2B is a reimbursement program for eligible costs incurred to the designated implementing agency for each individual phase. Payments to contractors and consultants will be paid directly from funds from the State of California, through the co-applicant, Caltrans District 9 on behalf of the winning grantee. Staff salaries for those working directly on the project are an eligible expense.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

ESCOG Counsel Grace Chuchla has reviewed this item and found that it complies with the law.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff requests the Board adopt a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments Authorizing the Executive Director to Submit and Application for the California Department of Transportation Reconnecting Communities: Highways to Boulevards Grant and direct staff to secure a resolution from Member Agencies as appropriate.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-\_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE EASTERN SIERRA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SUBMIT AN  
APPLICATION FOR THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES: HIGHWAYS TO  
BOULEVARDS GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, on January 7, 2020, the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments convened as an established Joint Powers Authority as ratified by the votes of the governing bodies of its individual Member Agencies, understanding that it is necessary and desirable for the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments as a Joint Powers Authority to speak and to function on behalf of the region and to collectively identify and deliver opportunities to benefit the interests of Member Agencies' constituents; and

**WHEREAS** the Member Agencies agreed that the creation of a regional Joint Powers Authority that functions as a separate and discreet legal entity from individual Member Agencies would enable the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments to maximize and take advantage of opportunities for the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments Joint Powers Authority (ESCOG) was organized to identify and apply for funding resources and receive funding for the planning and implementation of programs of regional impact or significance, and to implement such programs upon approval of the governing bodies of each Member Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments is an eligible applicant for the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Reconnecting Communities: Highways to Boulevards grant funding opportunity; and

**WHEREAS**, the Caltrans Reconnecting Communities: Highways to Boulevards grant would have inter-jurisdictional benefits in Inyo and Mono Counties, which would enhance regional collaboration, advance the vitality of Eastern Sierra communities, and reinforce the regional identity of the iconic Eastern Sierra; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments that the Executive Director is authorized to submit a Caltrans Reconnecting Communities: Highways to Boulevards grant on behalf of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** 17th day of August, 2023 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:



ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board

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Jeff Griffiths  
Chairperson



# Proposed RC:H2B Grant: Reclaiming US 395 Main Street Communities

**Grant Scope**

- ★ Community
- US 395



## Regional Plan List

	Project Name	Year	Agency	County
1	Fort Independence Paiute Tribe: Tribal Transportation Safety Assessment (SafeTREC Report)	22/23	Fort Independence Paiute Tribe	Inyo
2	City of Bishop Commercial Mixed-Use Overlay Zone	20/21	City of Bishop	Inyo
3	Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Electrification Feasibility Study	21/22	ESTA	Both?
4	North Sierra Highway Sustainable Corridor Plan	15/16	Inyo County	Inyo
5	Olancha-Cartago Corridor Study	17/18	Inyo County	Inyo
6	Lone Pine PPEC project	2020	Inyo County	Inyo
7	Lee Vining Rehab PPEC	2018	Mono County	Mono
8	Bridgeport US 395 Main Street Plan	2013	Mono County	Mono
9	Eastern Sierra Corridor Enhancement Plan	2010	Kern COG	EKern Inyo Mono
10	City of Bishop Commercial Mixed-Use Overlay Zone	19/20	City of Bishop, Inyo County	Inyo
11	Bishop Paiute Tribal Transportation Planning Project	16/17	Bishop Paiute Tribe	Inyo
12	Lone Pine Safety Evaluation	2005		Inyo
13	Caltrans District 9 Origin-Destination Study 2019-2020	19/20	District 09 Caltrans	Inyo Mono
14	The Inyo County Regional Transportation Plan	2019	Inyo County Local	Inyo
15	Big Pine Paiute Clean Mobility Needs Assessment	2021	Big Pine Paiute Tribe	Inyo
16	Corridor Management Plan - Highway 395 Scenic Byway	2018	Mono County	Mono
17	Character Inventory & Design Guidelines for Highway 395 Scenic Byway Corridor Communities, Mono County CA	2015	Mono County	Mono
18	Caltrans District 09 Active Transportation Plan (CAT plan)	2021	Caltrans D09	EKern Inyo Mono
19	Eastern Sierra Freight Study	2019	Caltrans D09	EKern Inyo Mono
20	Bishop Area Access and Circulation Feasibility Study	2007	City of Bishop, Inyo County	Inyo



**Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG)  
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**STAFF REPORT**

**To:** ESCOG Joint Powers Authority  
**From:** Elaine Kabala, Executive Director  
**Subject:** Member Agency Contribution Update  
**Meeting date:** August 17, 2023  
**Prepared on:** August 7, 2023  
**Attachments:** A) None

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**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

At the June 14, 2023 ESCOG meeting, Bishop Councilmember Muchovej requested the Board identify a more proportionate member agency contribution structure than that current equal contribution made by each member agency.

The Joint Powers Agreement establishing the ESCOG includes the following financial provisions related to member agency contributions:

*Section V.5.01 Each member shall contribution to the administrative support of the ESCOG administrative support of the ESCOG. Administrative support is understood as those costs, expenditures and obligation which maintain up to one (1) 0.5 FTE agency administrative staff person. Each Member's contribution to administrative time and support shall be accounted for. It is intended that each Member will provide twenty-five person (25%) of the administrative staff person, unless otherwise agreed by the Board of Directors, and shall agree in advance regarding any additional administrative support.*

This section has been interpreted to mean that each member agency provides 25% of the required budget for previously agreed-to staff, including clerical services, legal services, fiscal services, and administrative staff. The ESCOG has recently contracted a full-time Executive Director through Inyo County, and the balance of that salary is paid for through grant agreements for specific assignments.

Section 7.01 of the ESCOG JPA Agreement allows amendments to any part of the Agreement, including Section 5.01. If ESCOG is interested in pursuing a change to member agency contribution

rules, the ESCOG Board would first need to pass a resolution laying out the proposed amendments to Section 5.01. This resolution would then go to each member agency's board for consideration. If all member agency boards approve ESCOG's proposed amendment, then the JPA Agreement would be deemed amended on the date of the last member agency's approval.

Supervisor Gardner met with Councilmember Muchovej to discuss options. Regional managers are also discussing the ESCOG contribution schedule, and have requested a decision on modification be postponed until mid-year to better project costs and revenues.

A modification to the member agency contribution structure would impact all four member agencies, and staff recommends appointing an ad hoc committee to ensure all four jurisdictions are represented.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

There are no budget impacts in the 2023-2024 fiscal year anticipated from these discussions. The ESCOG budget is established based on operating costs and revenue projections and the amount of member agency contributions is subject to go up or down each fiscal year depending on anticipated revenues.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

ESCOG Counsel Grace Chuchla has reviewed this item and found that it complies with the law.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff requests the Board receive an update from Supervisor Gardner and Councilmember Muchovej on member agency contribution discussions.

Staff requests a representative from each jurisdiction be appointed to an ad hoc subcommittee for further discussion.



**Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG)  
Joint Powers Authority Agenda**

**STAFF REPORT**

**To:** ESCOG Joint Powers Authority  
**From:** Elaine Kabala, Executive Director  
**Subject:** Review and Approve Scope of Work for a Contract with an Assistant Regional Interagency Liaison  
**Meeting date:** August 17, 2023  
**Prepared on:** August 10, 2023  
**Attachments:** A) Scope of Work for a Contract with an Assistant Regional Interagency Liaison

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**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

The Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget includes \$50,000 for part-time staff support for the ESCOG Executive Director. Staff has prepared a scope of work (Attachment A) for a contract for this position. The position will be funding through grant revenues and would serve as a contract directly to the ESCOG JPA. Grant revenues to support the position include the California Economic Resilience Fund (CERF), the CDFW Proposition 1 grant, and the Inyo National Forest Liaison Grant.

The scope of work includes administrative support, specifically support with grant management and invoicing, and assistance with interagency relationship building consistent with the deliverables of the CERF and Inyo National Forest Liaison Grant. The tasks associated with CERF implementation include organizing focus groups, analyzing data and assisting with preparing the regional summary informing the final CERF policy document. The tasks for the Inyo National Forest Grant include serving as a point of contact between the ESCOG and the Inyo National Forest, developing an understanding of regional agency funding and project implementation procedures, and collaborating to develop a mutually agreed upon project pipeline for project priorities on the Inyo National Forest.

Additional capacity for each of these grants is needed to strengthen relationships with regional Tribal nations.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

The Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget includes \$50,000 for part-time staff support for the ESCOG Executive Director.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

ESCOG Counsel Grace Chuchla has reviewed this item and found that it complies with the law.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Review and Approve Scope of Work for a Contract with an Assistant Regional Interagency Liaison

**EASTERN SIERRA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
Joint Powers Authority**

**Request for Qualification for Regional Interagency Liaison Services**

**Proposal deadline:** date

**Requesting Organization:** Eastern Sierra Council of Governments

**Contact:** Elaine Kabala, Executive Director, ekabala@escog.ca.gov

**Regional Interagency Liaison**

**OVERVIEW**

The Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG) is a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) agency made up of the following member agencies: City of Bishop, the Town of Mammoth Lakes, Inyo County, and Mono County. The ESCOG coordinates regional planning and economic development efforts throughout the Eastern Sierra, working cooperatively with local, state and federal partners to support community development, economic diversification, sustainable recreation, ecosystem management and climate resiliency for a more prosperous, sustainable, and resilient region.

The ESCOG is seeking qualified contractors to provide Regional Interagency Liaison Services, consisting of coordinating interagency outreach and deliverables for multiple grant-funded regional initiatives.

Under direction of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments Board and the Executive Director, the contractor will provide administrative and analytical duties supporting the operations and programs of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments Joint Powers Authority (ESCOG JPA). This position will assist with regional interagency coordination, grant writing and management, and administrative and analytical services.

This position is a grant funded position in support of the Eastside Community Economic Resiliency Fund, the Eastern Sierra Communities and Climate Resiliency Project, and the Sustainable Recreation and Ecosystem Management Program Implementation Plan.

This position serves as an independent contractor to the ESCOG JPA. The position is a part-time position and will be compensated at \$40.00 / hour, not to exceed 1,000 hours per year.

**SCOPE OF WORK:**

Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Manage and strengthen communications and collaboration between the regional agencies and the ESCOG, and stakeholders, partners, and the public.



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- Support regional interagency coordination to understand and communicate operational procedures for inter-jurisdictional project implementation between the Inyo National Forest, ESCOG, and other partners, including but not limited to:
  - Financial procedures, in particular identifying potential obstacles presented by using different funding sources
  - Project approval requirements
  - Appropriate contracting mechanisms for project implementation.
- Act as point of contact and liaison between the ESCOG and other regional partner agencies.
- Assist with the development and implementation of agency communications, including website posts and updates, email marketing, newsletters and brochures for relevant project updates.
- Assist with the development and implementation of the Sustainable Recreation and Ecosystem Management Program Implementation Plan, including coordination with regional agencies to develop mutually agreed upon projects, project timelines, approval requirements, and identifying potential funding sources.
- Coordinates public outreach workshops and interagency collaboration meetings to support data gathering to inform the Eastside Community Economic Resiliency Fund project and the Inyo National Forest Liaison plan deliverables.
- Assists in the coordination of grant activities; prepares, writes, reviews, and monitors grant applications, and prepares monthly grant reporting and invoices.
- Assists with developing and writing departmental reports for consideration by the ESCOG Board for bimonthly Board meetings.
- Responsible for providing administrative and analytical services which include records management, office procedures, data input, communications management, and website management.
- Coordination of meetings and public workshops.
- Works closely with Executive Director to ensure continuity and completion of projects.
- Assists with invoices and department financial organization.
- Attendance at board meetings as needed.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- Demonstrated familiarity with regional agency policies and procedures.
- Familiarity with land use, environmental and economic planning strong desired.
- A bachelor's degree or higher with emphasis in land use planning, environmental planning, economic development, and/or business/public administration is preferred.
- Two (2) years of general office clerical experience, preferred.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

Please submit a letter of qualifications, including a full resume and three professional references, to Elaine Kabala at [ekabala@escog.ca.gov](mailto:ekabala@escog.ca.gov) by **date**.



**Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG)  
Joint Powers Authority Agenda**

**STAFF REPORT**

**To:** ESCOG Joint Powers Authority  
**From:** Scott Armstrong, Inyo Mono Broadband Coordinator  
**Subject:** Budget Modification Request for CASF IMBC Grant  
**Meeting date:** August 18, 2023  
**Prepared on:** August 7, 2023  
**Attachments:** A) Inyo Mono Broadband Consortium Modification Request to Director Osborn  
B) Inyo Mono Broadband Consortium Budget Modification Request

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**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

The ESCOG was awarded a Broadband Consortia grant from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) for \$600,000 (\$200,000 per year for 3 years, effective through January 31, 2026) for the Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium (IMBC). The grant application included a proposed work plan and budget, developed around estimates of the amount of work needed to achieve the desired project results for the five objectives and 15 activities. As we are midway through the first grant year, the amount of work needed for some of the activities in the work plan is different than what we had originally planned.

**ANALYSIS:**

In order to appropriately account for the work for each of the activities during this grant year, I would like to submit a budget modification request to the CPUC Communications Division Director. A budget modification is considered a substantive change to the grant and require Commission or Communications Director approval. This request for budget modifications does not change the total approved grant budget or the current grant-year budget, and it does not affect the timeline for the three-year consortium grant. The budget modifications in this request will also not adversely impact the completion of the project deliverables identified in our work plan.

The following is a list of requested budget modifications that we are requesting for these activities grant year 1 budget along with an explanation for each:

- Objective 1:
  - Activity 1: Decrease from \$16,900 to \$12,500 (Map and Document Agency Priorities)

- The remaining work to map and update the agency priorities will not require the amount of work that we expected in our original budget.
  - Activity 2: Decrease from \$16,000 to \$12,000 (Priority Refinement)
    - The work to refine our priorities based on public engagement will not require the amount of travel-related costs that we expected in our original budget.
  - Activity 4: Increase from \$5,500 to \$8,000 (Project Management System)
    - The initial work to configure the project management system exceeded the amount of work that we expected in our original budget.
- Objective 2:
  - Activity 1: Decrease from \$16,000 to \$14,000 (Provider Coordination)
    - Engagement and coordination with local providers are not requiring the amount of work that we expected in our original budget.
- Objective 3:
  - Activity 2: Increase from \$19,000 to \$25,000 (Project Grant Applications)
    - Based on the amount of work required to submit two recent grant applications, the amount of work needed to prepare and submit additional grant applications during the rest of this grant year is expected to exceed our original budget.
- Objective 4:
  - Activity 1: Increase from \$16,000 to \$18,000 (Agency Coordination)
    - Agency coordination has been very engaging and useful, but the work to maintain this level of engagement is expected to exceed the amount of work that we planned for in our original budget.
- Objective 5:
  - Activity 1: Decrease from \$5,500 to \$5,000 (Encourage Local Speed Tests)
    - The work needed to encourage local speed tests will not require the amount of work that we expected in our original budget.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

None. Incoming grant reimbursements will pay for any expenditures incurred during the execution of this grant.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

ESCOG Counsel Grace Chuchla has reviewed this item and found that it complies with the law.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Board authorize the Regional Broadband Coordinator to submit the budget modification request with the itemized budget modifications to the CPUC Communications Director as specified in the Consortia Grant Administration Manual.

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July 20, 2023

Director Robert Osborn  
Communications Division  
California Public Utilities Commission

Dear Director Osborn,

The Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium would like to request the following modifications to the grant year 1 work plan budget as approved in Resolution T-17778. This request for budget modifications does not change the total approved grant budget set forth in Resolution T-17778 and does not affect the timeline for the three-year consortium grant. The budget modifications in this request will also not adversely impact the completion of the project deliverables. The specific modifications requested are highlighted in red text in the accompanying Appendix A spreadsheet.

Our proposed work plan and budget were developed around estimates of the amount of work needed to achieve the desired project results for the various objectives and activities. As we are midway through the first grant year, we are finding that the amount of work needed for some of the activities in the work plan is different than what we had planned. Following is a list of budget modifications that we are requesting for these activities grant year 1 budget along with an explanation for each.

- Objective 1:
  - Activity 1: Decrease from \$16,000 to \$12,000 (Map and Document Agency Priorities)
    - The remaining work to map and update the agency priorities will not require the amount of work that we expected in our original budget.
  - Activity 2: Decrease from \$16,000 to \$12,000 (Priority Refinement)
    - The work to refine our priorities based on public engagement will not require the amount of travel-related costs that we expected in our original budget.
  - Activity 4: Increase from \$5,500 to \$8,000 (Project Management System)
    - The initial work to configure the project management system exceeded the amount of work that we expected in our original budget.
- Objective 2:
  - Activity 1: Decrease from \$16,000 to \$14,000 (Provider Coordination)
    - Engagement and coordination with local providers are not requiring the amount of work that we expected in our original budget.
- Objective 3:
  - Activity 2: Increase from \$19,000 to \$25,000 (Project Grant Applications)
    - Based on the amount of work required to submit two recent grant applications, the amount of work needed to prepare and submit additional grant applications during the rest of this grant year is expected to exceed our original budget.
- Objective 4:
  - Activity 1: Increase from \$16,000 to \$18,000 (Agency Coordination)

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- Agency coordination has been very engaging and useful, but the work to maintain this level of engagement is expected to exceed the amount of work that we planned for in our original budget.
- Objective 5:
  - Activity 1: Decrease from \$5,500 to \$5,000 (Encourage Local Speed Tests)
    - The work needed to encourage local speed tests will not require the amount of work that we expected in our original budget.

This request for modifications of the work plan budget is for Grant Year 1 only. Toward the end of Grant Year 1, we will determine whether we need to request any future budget modifications based on our expected and actual effort toward achieving the project objectives.

Additionally, our grant application proposed a grant start date of August 2022, but our actual grant start date was February 2023. I have modified the grant timeline dates in Appendix A-4 and the relevant fields in each of the Appendix A-5 Workplan Objective Tabs to reflect the actual grant timeline dates.

Thank you very much,

Scott Armstrong  
Regional Broadband Coordinator  
Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium  
<https://ConnectedEasternSierra.net/>

Appendix A-1, CASF CONSORTIA GRANT APPLICATION CHECKLIST				
To assist the Commission in verifying the completeness of your application, mark the box to the left of each item submitted with your application. For detailed requirements, please check the referenced sections of CPUC Decision (D.) 22-05-029, Appendix 3, <i>Rural and Urban Regional Broadband Consortia Grant Account Application Requirements and Guidelines</i> .				
#	Item Included?	Reference to D.22-05-029	Item	Tab # / Form Template
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.A.	<b>Eastern Sierra Council of Governments</b> Address Line 1 PO Box 1609 Address Line 2 City Mammoth Lakes State CA ZIP Code 93546 Website Address <a href="https://escog.ca.gov">https://escog.ca.gov</a> Phone Number (760) 965-3615	No form, submit the information on this checklist form
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.A.	<b>Key Consortium Contact Information</b> First Name Scott Last Name Armstrong Address Line 1 168 North Edwards Street Address Line 2 City Independence State CA ZIP Code 93526 Email Address <a href="mailto:sarmstrong@inyocounty.us">sarmstrong@inyocounty.us</a> Phone Number (760) 878-8006	No form, submit the information on this checklist form
3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.A.	<b>Description of existing and past non-CASF funded projects</b>	Tab 2 <b>Non-CASF Prjs</b>
4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.A.	<b>Governing Board Structure</b>	No form, submit the information as a separate attachment
5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.A.	<b>Identification of each Consortium member, background, and role in the proposed project</b>	Tab 3 <b>Board Members</b>
6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.C.	<b>Copy of most recent Audit Report</b>	No form, submit the information as a separate attachment
7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.A.	<b>Proposed Broadband Project Description</b>	No form, submit the information as a separate attachment
8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.A.	<b>Description of geographical regions/population groups/community interests, e.g. maps, Census Block Groups, and ZIP Codes to be covered by the proposed project</b>	No form, submit the information as a separate attachment
9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VII.	<b>A list identifying endorsements received from the state or local government, community groups, and anchor institutions supporting the application</b>	No form, submit the list as a separate attachment; applicant may choose not to submit endorsement letters, and instead of submitting a list identifying which organizations provide endorsement support for the applicant.
10	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.B.	<b>Work Plan</b>	Tab 4 <b>Annual Work Plan and Performance Metrics Plan</b>
11	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.B.	<b>Name of Proposed Project</b> Connected Eastern Sierra Project	No form, submit the information on this checklist form
12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.D., IX., X.	<b>Proposed Budget</b>	Tabs 5 thr 10 <b>Budget_Obj1 thr Budget Obj6</b>
13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.E.	<b>Name of Fiscal Agent</b> Address Line 1 168 North Edwards Street Address Line 2 City Independence State CA ZIP Code 93526 Website Address <a href="https://inyocounty.us">https://inyocounty.us</a> Phone Number (760) 878-0262	No form, submit the information on this checklist form
14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.E.	<b>Key Fiscal Agent Contact Information</b> First Name Denelle Last Name Carrington Address Line 1 168 North Edwards Street Address Line 2 City Independence State CA ZIP Code 93526 Email Address <a href="mailto:dcarrington@inyocounty.us">dcarrington@inyocounty.us</a> Phone Number (760) 878-0262	No form, submit the information on this checklist form
15	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.E.	<b>Letter Committing to Act as Fiscal Agent</b> - must include: (1) the name and contact information of the responsible party within the agency, including the person responsible for the administrative tasks, if different; (2) affirmation that the work outlined in the Consortium Work Plan will be completed and verification by an Annual Audit instead of the previously required Attestation Report, to be prepared by an independent, licensed Certified Public Accountant will be submitted annually to the Communications Division; and (3) the Consortium's acceptance of the Fiscal Agent's rights, duties, and responsibilities.	No form, submit the information as a separate attachment
16	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sec VI.F.	<b>Notarized Affidavit</b>	Tab 11 <b>Affidavit Form</b>

<b>Appendix A-2, DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING AND PAST NON-CASF FUNDED PROJECTS [see Sec 1.6 A &amp; 1.6 D</b>	
[Consortium Members, Insert more columns and rows as needed]	
<b>Name of Consortium:</b>	<b>Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium</b>
<b>Name of Non-CASF Project #1:</b>	<b>Local Area Technical Assistance (LATA)</b>
- Project Description	Leverage LATA funding to develop detailed engineering designs, complete environmental studies (CEQA/NEPA), and conduct other work required to get projects to a point where they are "construction ready."
- Project Budget	\$1m annually (Assuming \$500k each for Inyo & Mono County per year)
- Project Timeline	FY 22 - 24
- Project Funding Source	CPUC
- Explain why there will be no overlap and/or duplication of such projects (i.e., provide description of geographic region served and geographic region that will be served, etc.)	Broadband Consortia Account money would be used to develop an understanding of needs, conceptualize potential projects, and engage the community around those projects. LATA funds would be used to develop project plans and prepare for construction.
- Project Best Practices Learned	N/A
- Other Information	
<b>Name of Non-CASF Project #2:</b>	
- Project Description	
- Project Budget	
- Project Timeline	
- Project Funding Source	
- Explain why there will be no overlap and/or duplication of such projects (i.e., provide description of geographic region served and geographic region that will be served, etc.)	
- Project Best Practices Learned	
- Other Information	
<b>Name of Non-CASF Project #3:</b>	
- Project Description	
- Project Budget	
- Project Timeline	
- Project Funding Source	
- Explain why there will be no overlap and/or duplication of such projects (i.e., provide description of geographic region served and geographic region that will be served, etc.)	
- Project Best Practices Learned	
- Other Information	



Appendix A-3, BOARD MEMBER BACKGROUND AND PROJECT ROLE								
[Consortium Members, insert more columns and rows as needed]								
<b>Name of Consortium:</b>	<b>Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium</b>							
<b>Name of Project:</b>	<b>Connected Eastern Sierra Project</b>							
Company/Organization	Inyo County, CA	Inyo County, CA	Mono County, CA	Mono County, CA	City of Bishop, CA	City of Bishop, CA	Town of Mammoth Lakes, CA	Town of Mammoth Lakes, CA
Telecommunications carrier certificated by or registered with CPUC? (yes, no, n/a)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
- If so, identify Utility Identification number								
Website Address	<a href="http://www.inyocounty.us">www.inyocounty.us</a>		<a href="http://www.monocounty.ca.gov">www.monocounty.ca.gov</a>		<a href="http://www.cityofbishop.com">www.cityofbishop.com</a>		<a href="https://townofmammothlakes.ca.gov">https://townofmammothlakes.ca.gov</a>	
First Name	Jeff	Dan	Stacy	Bob	Karen	Jim	John	Lynda
Last Name	Griffiths	Totheroh	Corless	Gardner	Schwartz	Ellis	Wentworth	Salcido
Address Line 1	PO Box N	PO Box N	PO Box 715	PO Box 715	377 W. Line Street	377 W. Line Street	PO Box 1609	PO Box 1609
Address Line 2								
City	Independence	Independence	Bridgeport	Bridgeport	Bishop	Bishop	Mammoth Lakes	Mammoth Lakes
State	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA	CA
ZIP Code	93526	93526	93517	93517	93514	93514	93546	93546
Email Address	<a href="mailto:jgriffiths@inyocounty.us">jgriffiths@inyocounty.us</a>	<a href="mailto:dtotheroh@inyocounty.us">dtotheroh@inyocounty.us</a>	<a href="mailto:scorless@mono.ca.gov">scorless@mono.ca.gov</a>	<a href="mailto:bgardner@mono.ca.gov">bgardner@mono.ca.gov</a>	<a href="mailto:kschwartz@cityofbishop.com">kschwartz@cityofbishop.com</a>	<a href="mailto:ellis_jim@ymail.com">ellis_jim@ymail.com</a>	<a href="mailto:wentworth@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov">wentworth@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov</a>	<a href="mailto:salcido@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov">salcido@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov</a>
Phone Number	(760) 937-0072	(760) 872-2137	(760) 920-0190	(760) 924-1806	(760) 920-7136	(760) 258-6809	(760) 934-3154	(760) 934-3154
Background (attached separate pages, in needed)	See VI.A-4 Governing Board Structure							
Role in the Proposed Project	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member, Chair	Board Member

Appendix A-4, ANNUAL WORK PLAN AND PERFORMANCE METRICS PLAN (see Sec VI. B)									
[Consortium Members, create a separate work plan and performance metrics plan for each work plan year, if seeking multi-year funding]									
Name of Consortium:		Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium							
Name of Project:		Connected Eastern Sierra Project							
Proposed Start Date of Project:		September 1, 2022 (Actual Start Date February 1, 2023)							
Broadband deployment activities funded by other state or federal grants		None							
Confirmation that CASF consortium budget does not duplicate any other sources of funding		Confirmed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check		If checked, explain why there is no funding duplication: Clear delineation of project work based on duties of staff, work to be performed, and deliverables. Time tracking is being used to ensure proper allocation of time to funding sources, where there are more than one.					
Years 1-3 [2023 - 2026] <i>[see instructions below for work plan terminology definitions and requirements]</i>									
Objective	Activity Description	Start-Up Activity	Deliverable(s) *	Beginning Month	End Month	Performance Measure(s)*	Method for Performance Tracking and Measuring	Responsible Party(ies)	
<b>Objective 1.</b> Collaborating with the Commission and other state agencies to engage regional consortia, local officials, ISPs, stakeholders, and consumers regarding priority areas and cost-effective strategies to achieve the broadband access goal	Activity 1	Map and document agency priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Current and accurate list of broadband expansion priority areas	February '23	January '26	1. Current and regularly updated maps/GIS 2. Updated website 3. Public feedback and input	All staff time, progress achieved, and other measures for tracking performance for these activities will be captured in our project management system software.	IMBC
	Activity 2	Public engagement - priority refinement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vetted and supported set of priority project areas	February '23	January '26			IMBC
	Activity 3	Public outreach & communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Updated website with list of broadband expansion priority areas	February '23	January '26			IMBC
	Activity 4	Implement and maintain project management system	<input type="checkbox"/>	Implemented project management system kept up to	February '23	January '26			IMBC
	Activity 5	Conduct Annual Audit	<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete audit showing Consortium compliance	Each January	Each January			IMBC
<b>Objective 2.</b> Identifying potential CASF infrastructure projects or potential broadband deployment projects related to new programs created under SB 156 and AB 164, along with other opportunities, where ISPs can expand and improve their infrastructure and service offerings to achieve the goal of reaching 98% broadband	Activity 1	Provider coordination	<input type="checkbox"/>	Up-to-date knowledge of what providers are working on; provider awareness of IMBC priorities	February '23	January '26	1. Meetings at least once per quarter with providers 2. Quarterly updates to the IMBC Broadband Access Tool 3. Quarterly reports to agency Boards/Councils on project status and legislation 4. Identify at least five potential projects per County jurisdiction	All staff time, progress achieved, and other measures for tracking performance for these activities will be captured in our project management system software.	IMBC
	Activity 2	Digital 395 coordination	<input type="checkbox"/>	Awareness of Digital 395 needs and opportunities	February '23	January '26			IMBC
	Activity 3	Broadband Access Tool	<input type="checkbox"/>	Current and accurate list of broadband offerings & gaps	February '23	January '26			IMBC
	Activity 4	Funding and legislative tracking	<input type="checkbox"/>	Clarity around funding opportunities	February '23	January '26			IMBC
	Activity 5								
<b>Objective 3.</b> Assisting potential CASF infrastructure applicants or potential applicants for broadband deployment projects related to the new programs created under SB 156 and AB 164 in the project development or grant application process	Activity 1	Comprehensive project list	<input type="checkbox"/>	Current list of desired broadband projects	February '23	January '26	1. Running list of potential projects in each jurisdiction 2. Timely applications submitted for projects leveraging Federal Funding Account monies 3. Support the development of at least five infrastructure project applications in the region	All staff time, progress achieved, and other measures for tracking performance for these activities will be captured in our project management system software.	IMBC
	Activity 2	Assist with development of project grant applications	<input type="checkbox"/>	Projects submitted for funding in each county	February '23	January '26			IMBC
	Activity 3		<input type="checkbox"/>						
	Activity 4		<input type="checkbox"/>						
	Activity 5		<input type="checkbox"/>						
<b>Objective 4.</b> Conducting activities that will lead to or that can be reasonably expected to lead to CASF infrastructure projects or broadband deployment projects related to new programs created under SB 156 and AB 164, including the Federal Funding Account,	Activity 1	Local agency coordination	<input type="checkbox"/>	Awareness around Consortium operations and progress; Consistent and modern broadband policies; Other agency support as needed	February '23	January '26	1. Quarterly presentations to agency leadership 2. Recurring meetings with agency staff focused on tactical needs 3. Creation and maintenance of public asset list 4. Development broadband strategies and scopes for at least five infrastructure	All staff time, progress achieved, and other measures for tracking performance for these activities will be captured in our project management system software.	IMBC
	Activity 2	Public asset list	<input type="checkbox"/>	List of all public assets available in each of the jurisdictions	February '23	January '26			IMBC
	Activity 3	Agency broadband strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual agency broadband strategy	February '23	January '26			IMBC

## Attachment B

Middle-Mile, Broadband Loan Loss Reserve, and Local Agency Technical Assistance.	Activity 4		<input type="checkbox"/>				least five infrastructure projects in the region.		
	Activity 5		<input type="checkbox"/>						
<b>Objective 5.</b> Assisting the Commission in publicizing requests for wireline testing volunteers in areas, as needed	Activity 1	Encourage local speed tests	<input type="checkbox"/>	Current & accurate network performance metrics	February '23	January '26	1. At least two speed tests recorded for each provider per quarter 2. At least 50 speed tests submitted per year to State and Federal test programs	All staff time, progress achieved, and other measures for tracking performance for these activities will be captured in our project management system software.	IMBC
	Activity 2	Support State and Federal speed tests	<input type="checkbox"/>	On-the-ground test data submitted to State & Federal platforms	February '23	January '26			IMBC
	Activity 3		<input type="checkbox"/>						
	Activity 4		<input type="checkbox"/>						
	Activity 5		<input type="checkbox"/>						
Conducting and Submitting annual audit reports, as required	Annual Audit	Example: provide the required annual audit report	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annual audit report	June, 2026	August '25	n/a	n/a	IMBC

**Instructions:**

Work Plan Terminology	Definition / Requirements
Activity	Identifying the specific work activities which must be performed in order to produce the various project deliverables/outcomes/results and achieve the CASF Consortia Grant program objectives. The CASF Consortia Grant Account will fund consortia activities directly related to and in support of CASF infrastructure applications. Please note, a Consortia Account shall not be used for adoption activities; a Consortia Account grant shall not be used for construction of infrastructure facilities; a Consortia Account grant shall not be used for work on legislation, including meetings, travel, or lobbying; and a Consortia Account grant shall not be used to fund activities that already funded by any other public or private sources.
Deliverable	Identifying the specific measurable, tangible, and verifiable work products (i.e., analysis, report, map data), outcomes, and/or results that must be produced to complete the project. Attending meetings and conducting conference calls are the work effort/processes to produce the CASF Consortia Grant program deliverables, and are not considered as deliverables.
Timeline (Beginning Month and End Month)	Identifying the planned beginning and end months for performing activities and for meeting deliverables/outcomes/results. The timeline establishes the project schedule, which is used to compare actual results to the approved Work Plan to determine if preventive or corrective action is needed to meet the program objectives. The timeline should describe each of the milestones, including deliverables and performance metrics to be accomplished.
Performance Measure	Identifying the specific, quantitative outcome/result measures which generate reliable data on the effectiveness and efficiency of program and assess how well the consortium is achieving the CASF Consortia Grant program objectives. Attending meetings and conducting conference calls are the work effort/processes to achieve the objectives, and are not considered as performance measures.
Method for Performance Tracking and Measuring	Explaining how the performance measure outcomes/results will be tracked and measured following milestone dates and/or completion of activities/deliverables, as described in the Work Plan.

\* Communications Division may request progress reporting and payment requests to include documentation of performance/outcomes, consistent with the application's *Work Plan and Performance Metrics Plan*.

\*\* Consortia grantees may request an initial start-up cost budget, up to 25% of the entire grant.

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Name of Consortium:	Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium														
Objective 1	Collaborating with the Commission and other state agencies to engage regional consortia, local officials, ISPs, stakeholders, and consumers regarding priority areas and cost-effective strategies to achieve the broadband access goal														
Budget Line Item	Year 1 [2/2023 - 1/2024]					Year 2 [2/2024 - 1/2025]					Year 3 [2/2025 - 1/2026]				
	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5
Personnel/ Staff Compensation inclusive of all benefits, payroll taxes, contributions, etc. (Attach personnel names, titles, bio, and position descriptions)	Map and document agency priorities	Public engagement - priority refinement	Public outreach & communication	Implement project management system		Map and document agency priorities	Public engagement - priority refinement	Public outreach & communication	Maintain project management system		Map and document agency priorities	Public engagement - priority refinement	Public outreach & communication	Maintain project management system	
	\$12,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$8,000		\$11,000	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$5,500		\$11,000	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$5,500	
<b>Subtotal, Personnel Costs</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Transportation Cost		\$0					\$2,000					\$2,000			
Lodging		\$1,000					\$2,000					\$2,000			
Per Diem		\$0					\$1,000					\$1,000			
Registration Fees (Conferences/Conventions)															
<b>Subtotal, Travel Expense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Hardware															
Software															
<b>Subtotal, Equipment</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Office Supplies/Printing/Postage															
<b>Subtotal, Supplies</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Training/Educational Supplies															
<b>Subtotal, Training</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Advertising/Promotion															
<b>Subtotal, Promotion</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
External Consultants															
<b>Subtotal, Consultants</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Consortium Overhead/ Indirect Costs															
<b>Subtotal, Overhead</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Other Expenses															
<b>Subtotal, Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$21,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$21,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Start-up Activity Budget, if requesting<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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Name of Consortium:	Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium														
Objective 2	Identifying potential CASF infrastructure projects or potential broadband deployment projects related to new programs created under SB 156 and AB 164, along with other opportunities, where ISPs can expand and improve their infrastructure and service offerings to achieve the goal of reaching 98% broadband deployment in each consortia region														
Budget Line Item	Year 1 [2/2023 - 1/2024]					Year 2 [2/2024 - 1/2025]					Year 3 [2/2025 - 1/2026]				
	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5
Personnel/ Staff Compensation inclusive of all benefits, payroll taxes, contributions, etc. (Attach personnel names, titles, bio, and position descriptions)	Provider Coordination	Digital 395 Coordination	Broadband Access Tool	Funding and legislative tracking		Provider Coordination	Digital 395 Coordination	Broadband Access Tool	Funding and legislative tracking		Provider Coordination	Digital 395 Coordination	Broadband Access Tool	Funding and legislative tracking	
	\$14,000	\$16,000	\$5,500	\$16,000		\$16,000	\$16,000	\$5,500	\$16,000		\$16,000	\$16,000	\$5,500	\$16,000	
<b>Subtotal, Personnel Costs</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Transportation Cost															
Lodging															
Per Diem															
Registration Fees, Conferences/Conventions															
<b>Subtotal, Travel Expense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Hardware															
Software															
<b>Subtotal, Equipment</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Office Supplies/Printing/Postage															
<b>Subtotal, Supplies</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Training/Educational Supplies															
<b>Subtotal, Training</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Advertising															
Promotion															
<b>Subtotal, Promotion</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
External Consultants															
<b>Subtotal, Consultants</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Consortium Overhead/ Indirect Costs															
<b>Subtotal, Overhead</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Other Expenses															
<b>Subtotal, Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Start-up Activity Budget, if requesting <sup>1</sup>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Name of Consortium:	Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium														
Objective 3	Assisting potential CASF infrastructure applicants or potential applicants for broadband deployment projects related to the new programs created under SB 156 and AB 164 in the project development or grant application process														
Budget Line Item	Year 1 [2/2023 - 1/2024]					Year 2 [2/2024 - 1/2025]					Year 3 [2/2025 - 1/2026]				
	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5
Personnel/ Staff Compensation inclusive of all benefits, payroll taxes, contributions, etc. (Attach personnel names, titles, bio, and position descriptions)	Comprehensive project list	Assist with development of project grant applications				Comprehensive project list	Assist with development of project grant applications				Comprehensive project list	Assist with development of project grant applications			
	\$15,000	\$25,000				\$15,000	\$19,000				\$15,000	\$19,000			
<b>Subtotal, Personnel Costs</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>\$19,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>\$19,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Transportation Cost															
Lodging															
Per Diem															
Registration Fees, Conferences/Conventions															
<b>Subtotal, Travel Expense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Hardware															
Software															
<b>Subtotal, Equipment</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Office Supplies/Printing/Postage															
<b>Subtotal, Supplies</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Training/Educational Supplies															
<b>Subtotal, Training</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Advertising															
Promotion															
<b>Subtotal, Promotion</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
External Consultants															
<b>Subtotal, Consultants</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Consortium Overhead/ Indirect Costs															
<b>Subtotal, Overhead</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Other Expenses															
<b>Subtotal, Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>\$19,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>\$19,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Start-up Activity Budget, if requesting <sup>1</sup>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Objective 4	Conducting activities that will lead to or that can be reasonably expected to lead to CASF infrastructure projects or broadband deployment projects related to new programs created under SB 156 and AB 164, including the Federal Funding Account, Middle-Mile, Broadband Loan Loss Reserve, and Local Agency Technical Assistance														
Budget Line Item	Year 1 [2/2023 - 1/2024]					Year 2 [2/2024 - 1/2025]					Year 3 [2/2025 - 1/2026]				
	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5
Personnel/ Staff Compensation inclusive of all benefits, payroll taxes, contributions, etc. (Attach personnel names, titles, bio, and position descriptions)	Local agency coordination	Public asset list	Agency broadband strategy			Local agency coordination	Public asset list	Agency broadband strategy			Local agency coordination	Public asset list	Agency broadband strategy		
	\$18,000	\$11,000	\$16,000			\$16,000	\$11,000	\$11,000			\$16,000	\$11,000	\$11,000		
<b>Subtotal, Personnel Costs</b>	<b>\$18,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Transportation Cost															
Lodging															
Per Diem															
Registration Fees, Conferences/Conventions															
<b>Subtotal, Travel Expense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Hardware															
Software															
<b>Subtotal, Equipment</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Office Supplies/Printing/Postage															
<b>Subtotal, Supplies</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Training/Educational Supplies															
<b>Subtotal, Training</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Advertising/Promotion															
<b>Subtotal, Promotion</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
External Consultants															
<b>Subtotal, Consultants</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Consortium Overhead/ Indirect Costs															
<b>Subtotal, Overhead</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Other Expenses															
<b>Subtotal, Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>\$18,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Start-up Activity Budget, if requesting<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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Appendix A-5, PROPOSED DETAILED BUDGET, List/describe activities in the Work Plan <sup>2</sup> . Insert more columns and rows as needed															
<b>Name of Consortium:</b>	Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium														
<b>Objective 5</b>	Assisting the Commission in publicizing requests for wireline testing volunteers in areas, as needed														
Budget Line Item	Year 1 [2/2023 - 1/2024]					Year 2 [2/2024 - 1/2025]					Year 3 [2/2025 - 1/2026]				
	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Activity 4	Activity 5
Personnel/ Staff Compensation inclusive of all benefits, payroll taxes, contributions, etc. (Attach personnel names, titles, bio, and position descriptions)	Encourage local speed tests	Support State and Federal speed tests				Local speed tests	Support State and Federal speed tests				Local speed tests	Support State and Federal speed tests			
	\$5,500	\$5,500				\$5,500	\$5,500				\$5,000	\$5,500			
<b>Subtotal, Personnel Costs</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Transportation Cost															
Lodging															
Per Diem															
Registration Fees, Conferences/Conventions															
<b>Subtotal, Travel Expense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Hardware															
Software															
<b>Subtotal, Equipment</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Office Supplies/Printing/Postage															
<b>Subtotal, Supplies</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Training/Educational Supplies															
<b>Subtotal, Training</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Advertising/Promotion															
<b>Subtotal, Promotion</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
External Consultants															
<b>Subtotal, Consultants</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Consortium Overhead/ Indirect Costs															
<b>Subtotal, Overhead</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Other Expenses															
<b>Subtotal, Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Start-up Activity Budget, if requesting<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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Name of Consortium:		Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium	
Conducting and Submitting annual audit reports, as required <sup>2</sup>			
Budget Line Item	Year 1 [09/2022 - 08/2023]	Year 2 [09/2023 - 08/2024]	Year 3 [09/2024 - 08/2025]
	Annual Audit	Annual Audit	Annual Audit
Personnel/ Staff Compensation inclusive of all benefits, payroll taxes, contributions, etc. (Attach personnel names, titles, bio, and position descriptions)			
<b>Subtotal, Personnel Costs</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Transportation Cost			
Lodging			
Per Diem			
Registration Fees, Conferences/Conventions			
<b>Subtotal, Travel Expense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Hardware			
Software			
<b>Subtotal, Equipment</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Office Supplies/Printing/Postage			
<b>Subtotal, Supplies</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Training/Educational Supplies			
<b>Subtotal, Training</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Advertising/Promotion			
<b>Subtotal, Promotion</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
External Consultants	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
<b>Subtotal, Consultants</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
Consortium Overhead/ Indirect Costs			
<b>Subtotal, Overhead</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Other Expenses			
<b>Subtotal, Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>

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2. Pursuant to Pub. Util. Code, § 281(g)(2), each consortium must conduct an annual audit of its expenditures and submit to the Commission an annual report that includes both of the following: (1) a description of activities completed during the prior year, how each activity promotes the deployment of broadband services, and the cost associated with each activity; and (2) the number of project applications assisted.

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Appendix A-6, AFFIDAVIT FORM

Name of Regional Consortium (Consortium): Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium

My name is Denelle Carrington. I am the Senior Budget Analyst for County of Inyo, CA, which is the Fiscal Agent for the Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium.

Pursuant to Rule 1.11 of the California Public Utilities Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, I am an officer, agent, or employee of the County of Inyo, CA.

I swear or affirm that I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this Application for the Rural and Urban Regional Broadband Consortium Grant Account funding under the provisions of the California Advanced Services Fund, I am competent to testify to them, and I have the authority to make this Application on behalf of and to bind the Consortium.

I further swear or affirm that Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium agrees to comply with all federal and state statutes, rules, and regulations covering broadband services and state contractual rules and regulations, if granted Consortium Grant Account funding from the California Advanced Services Fund.

I further swear or affirm that Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium agrees to comply with the terms, conditions, and requirements of the grant and thus submits to the jurisdiction of the Commission with regard to disbursement and administration of the grant if granted Consortium Grant Account funding from the California Advanced Services Fund.

I further swear or affirm that no member, officer, director, or partner of Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium or its Fiscal Agent has: 1) filed for bankruptcy; 2) was sanctioned by the Federal Communications Commission or any state regulatory agency for failure to comply with any regulatory statute, rule, or order; nor 3) has been found either civilly or criminally liable by a court of appropriate jurisdiction for violation of Section 1700 et. seq. of the California Business and Professions Code, or for any action which involved misrepresentation to consumers, nor is currently under investigation for similar violations.

I further swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, and under Rule 1.1 of the California Public Utilities Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, that, to the best of my knowledge, all of the statements and representations made in this Application are true and correct.

I further swear or affirm that I agree to comply with Rules 1.11 and 2.2 of the California Public Utilities Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure.

If Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium violates the terms and conditions of a CASF award or other program and project compliance requirements, it shall be subject to Public Utilities Code sections 2108 and 2111 for failure to meet the program and project compliance requirements, as determined by the Commission.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature and Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Type or Print Name and Title

**SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN** to before me on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

Notary Public In and For the State of: \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_



# Broadband Update ESCOG

August 17, 2023

<https://ConnectedEasternSierra.net/>



# Overview

- Grants Update
- Middle-Mile Broadband Initiative
- IMBC Work Plan Updates
- Acronyms for Reference



# Grant Updates

- CASF Consortia Grant
- CPUC FFA Grant
- CPUC LATA Grant
- BEAD
- CASF Infrastructure Account
- Other



# Grants: Consortia Grant

- 6-Month Report Preparation
- Budget Modification Request on August 17
- Grant Year 1: February 1, 2023 – January 31, 2024



# Grants: FFA

- CPUC Last-Mile [Federal Funding Account](#) (FFA) Grant
- Mapping Tool: <https://fibermap.vetro.io/>
- Application Portal: <https://broadbandportal.cpuc.ca.gov/s/>
- Allocations: \$10,600,000 for Mono, \$13,220,000 for Inyo
- Grants Due September 29, 4:00 p.m.
- Providers and Local Agencies can Apply
- Second Application Window Q1 2024



# Grants: LATA

- Inyo - Contract for Phase 1 (1<sup>st</sup> of 4)
- Mono – Expecting High-Level Design Meeting
- Will Coordinate Design Work with FFA Timeline





# Grants: BEAD

- NTIA BEAD Allocation for California: \$1.86M
- August 27, 2023 - CA 5-Year Action Plan Due
- (Summer) 2024 - NTIA Initial Approval, Challenges, etc.
- One Year Later (2025) – CA Final Proposal Due



# Grants: CASF Infrastructure

- [CASF Infrastructure Account](#) – Next window closes April 1, 2024
- Providers and Local Governments can Apply
- Allows Fixed Wireless for Last Mile



# Grants: Other

- USDA RD Broadband Technical Assistance:
  - *Hammil & Furnace Creek applications submitted June 20*
- FCC Affordable Connectivity Program Outreach:
  - *CA not eligible*



# Middle-Mile Broadband Initiative

- MMBI – CBC Asset Purchase
  - Asset Purchase Agreement is in Development
  - CBC Board, CDT, Golden State Net (CENIC) and Legal Counsels
  - “Business as Usual”
  - Very Collaborative
- MMBI [Advisory Committee](#) Meeting (July 21)
  - Phased Approach
  - Working on Purchases, Leases and Joint Builds
  - Very thorough Broadband Overview
  - Current [MMBI Network Map](#)



# Work Plan Updates

- IMBC [Website](#) Updates
- Comprehensive List of Potential Project Locations
- Provider Coordination (FFA Meetings & Info)
- Speed Test Links and Info
- Maps Page with GIS Broadband-Related Assets
- Regular Meetings with Agencies and Providers
- Acronyms and Terms



# Other Activities

- Regional concerns with 911 phone traffic redundancy
- Broadband Service Escalation Options & Tracking
- Seeking Clarification on MMBI Phase 1 Construction
- Requested Permission to Share High-Cost Investment Info



# Acronyms

- ACP – Affordable Connectivity Program
- BEAD – Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (NTIA grant program)
- CASF – California Advance Services Fund (within the CPUC)
- CBC – California Broadband Cooperative (Digital 395 network)
- CDT – California Department of Technology
- CPUC – California Public Utilities Commissions
- FCC – Federal Communications Commission
- IMBC – Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium (ESCOG, CASF Consortia Grant)
- MMBI – Middle-Mile Broadband Initiative (State of California)
- NTIA – National Telecommunications & Information Administration
- RCRC – Rural County Representatives of California
- USDA RD – US Department of Agriculture Rural Development

