



Broadband Loan Loss Reserve

The Broadband Loan Loss Reserve is an innovative program providing credit enhancement for public financing for broadband infrastructure.

The \$50 million+ Loan Loss Reserve expands the ability of local governments, tribes and non-profits to finance broadband projects with an emphasis on public broadband networks. The Loan Loss Reserve provides collateral to local governments to enable more favorable borrowing rates and terms for bonds issued to deploy broadband infrastructure. The program is codified in Public Utilities Code 281.2 and was established in 2021 as part of the multi-year broadband investments in Senate Bill 156 (Statutes of 2021).

The program was updated by Senate Bill (SB) 109 (Statutes of 2024) which set the fund at \$50 million and specified awards be made before 2025. The first Loan Loss Reserve awards are being implemented through a series of three Commission actions.



COMMISSION ACTION 1	COMMISSION ACTION 2	COMMISSION ACTION 3
\$50 Million Approved	\$50 Million Awarded	Resolution or Letter
Implements SB 109. Resolution T-17841 approves at least \$50 million in Broadband Loan Loss Reserve Funding to be available to be awarded to applications, irrespective of cycles and tracks.	Awards up to \$50 million in Broadband Loan Loss Reserve Funding to ready-to-award applications conditional upon submission of a finalized project and bond details, in Resolution T-17858.	Approving Final Projects and Bond Details
Adopted by the Commission on September 12, 2024.	Adopted by the Commission on November 7, 2024	Targeted for early 2025.

