



California Public Utilities Commission



REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON DEVELOPMENT OF TRIBAL BROADBAND CONSORTIA

Hosted by Mechoopda Indian Tribe of Chico Rancheria at CSU Chico

Please **SAVE THE DATE** for Tuesday, July 14 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. for the first Regional Workshop on Development of Tribal Broadband Consortia. This event will focus on the development of up to three Tribal Broadband Consortia to provide technical assistance to Tribes interested in broadband grants from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).

The workshop will be held by the CPUC and hosted by the Mechoopda Indian Tribe of Chico Rancheria at CSU Chico’s Colusa Hall. Although the Workshop will have a remote attendance option, in-person attendance is highly encouraged.

The CPUC has established a new grant opportunity for Tribal Broadband Consortia to apply for technical assistance funding for Tribal governments seeking to develop broadband infrastructure. This opportunity is based on the existing grant program for Regional Broadband Consortia, which assists broadband infrastructure grant applicants in developing projects or applying for funding. At the request of the Mechoopda Tribe, the CPUC is holding a Regional Workshop to present on the grant opportunity and receive feedback from Tribes about the development of Tribal Broadband Consortia.

The final agenda for the workshop is forthcoming and will be posted on the following pages:

- [Commissioner Darcie L. Houck](#)
- [CASF Rural and Urban Regional Broadband Consortia Account](#)

Contact Information

For questions about the workshop or to request a government-to-government consultation with Commissioner Darcie Houck, please contact the following:

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WORKSHOP LOGISTICS

Date: July 14, 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Location:

Colusa Hall 100, CSU Chico Campus, Chico, CA, 95928

RSVP Link:

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Webinar Link:

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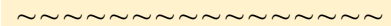
Join by Phone: 1-855-282-6330

Access Code: 2496 511 8599

Attendees: Tribal Governments, California Public Utilities Commission, Regional Broadband Consortia, other interested stakeholders

Agenda Overview:

- Welcome and Opening Remarks
- CPUC Communications Division Presentation
- Tribal Broadband Presentations and Panel
- Lunch Break
- Next Steps for Forming Tribal Broadband Consortia
- Q&A Discussion Session & Closing Remarks



- Government-to-Government Consultation with Commissioner Available After the Workshop

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