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From Tracey Beal to Everyone: Steve, we will be thinking of you and your wife! Let us know what you need!

07:38:30 From Erin Carr-Jordan to Everyone: No need to apologize

07:40:11 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: Governor Ducey's press release "Arizona to Expand Broadband Connectivity Along Interstate 40 West" from 2/18/22 is available at <https://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2022/02/arizona-expand-broadband-connectivity-along-interstate-40-west> FYI.

07:44:01 From Janet (Durckel) to Everyone:
https://vimeo.com/662711801?embedded=true&source=video_title&owner=52654574 is a slick video from ADOT on the project

07:44:59 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: Here's my updated summary of all the current & pending U.S. Federal Broadband Infrastructure Funding Opportunities, with a graphic timeline and a bullet for each that hopefully helps folks more readily understand the broadband infrastructure \$ flowing these next few years. Several of those will flow through to the states for regionally-designed and managed project and grant opportunities.

07:45:53 From Heather Floyd to Everyone: Thank you, Mark, your summaries are always helpful.

07:53:34 From Fernando Roman to Everyone: Fiber to the Prem. Should be the standard

07:54:33 From Janet (Durckel) to Everyone: interoperability, redundancy and sustainability are big issues that do not go away with this funding

07:54:41 From Sophia Mayberry to Everyone: be right back

07:55:02 From Janet (Durckel) to Everyone: right?!

07:55:56 From Sophia Mayberry to Everyone: back

07:56:05 From Janet (Durckel) to Everyone: to submit as an expert group speaks volumes

07:57:26 From Fernando Roman to Everyone: May 16 deadline

07:58:37 From Drew Garner to Everyone: Mala, we've written a few comments similar to what you've just described and would be happy to help

07:59:00 From Tracey Beal to Everyone: So good to see everyone today! I have an 8am meeting I have to jump! See you next week!

07:59:27 From Ilana Lowery to Everyone: Thanks, Drew. I was just going to let Mala know about the recs.

07:59:51 From Wes Brownfield ARSA to Everyone: See you next week...8 o'clock meeting

08:00:26 From Drew Garner to Everyone: Hi Cindy

08:03:47 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: The Center for Rural Affairs (<https://www.cfra.org/>) just released a great, brief policymaker's overview of broadband titled "Access Granted: Rural Broadband Options, Obstacles, and Solution" that can be downloaded at <https://www.cfra.org/publications/access-granted> FYI.

08:04:34 From Erin Carr-Jordan to Everyone: Really fantastic idea, Janet

08:04:43 From Mala Muralidharan to Everyone: Thanks Drew... I will put together some comments that were received and would be happy for you to add at it.

08:06:05 From Mala Muralidharan to Everyone: Thanks for looking up and sharing the dead line of May 16th for NTIA comments

08:06:42 From Mala Muralidharan to Everyone: Thanks Fernando

08:07:03 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: Doximity's new telemedicine report finds that adoption of growing and the majority of patients plan for virtual care post-pandemic. For overview & download see <https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/doximitys-new-report-finds-adoption-of-telemedicine-growing-majority-of-patients-plan-for-virtual-care-post-pandemic-301483337.html> FYI.

08:07:20 From Erin Carr-Jordan to Everyone: Thanks for the updated, Janet

08:08:36 From Janet (Durckel) to Everyone: Federal Communications Commission's Connect2HealthFCC Task Force www.fcc.gov/health.

We are writing to invite you to attend a virtual public event we are hosting, titled "FCC Digital Health Symposium: Advancing Broadband Connectivity as a Social Determinant of Health," which is scheduled for Thursday, March 3, 2022, from 10:00 am – 4:30 pm EST. This virtual public event is free and will be accessible to the public via Zoom.gov. To register, please visit: https://mitre.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_vQdwl_nVSmyEIqdk2dJNPA

08:09:51 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: The Arizona Commerce Authority has released their Arizona Statewide Broadband Middle-Mile Strategic Plan produced by KPMG & now available on the ACA site at <https://www.azcommerce.com/news-events/news/2022/2/arizona-commerce-authority-announces-statewide-broadband-middle-mile-strategic-plan/> FYI.

08:13:12 From Drew Garner to Everyone: I think the May 16 comments are about redlining/discrimination in broadband access. Here is the request for comments: <https://www.fcc.gov/document/preventing-digital-discrimination-broadband-access>

08:14:38 From Erin Carr-Jordan to Everyone: Have to jump off for an 815 call. Thank you everyone for the updated. Best wishes to Mary, Steve.

08:17:11 From Oris Friesen to Steve Peters(Direct Message): Steve, sorry to hear about Mary. Best wishes to her and hope she recovers quickly. —oris

08:18:57 From Drew Garner to Everyone: Likewise!

08:19:58 From Holly Henley to Everyone: Nicole Umayam attended also and thought it was an excellent conference.

08:21:21 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: I'll be speaking remotely at the upcoming Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference (SWAMC) Economic Summit on the "Broadband Internet Connectivity for Southwest Alaska" panel this Thursday. Details and registration at <https://swamc.org/2022-conference/> FYI. I'll share the presentation deck I'm preparing next week.

08:23:17 From Drew Garner to Everyone: Yes, I will organize my thoughts and share

08:27:54 From Cindy Hogan to Everyone: In February 2022, NDIA received a \$10 million grant from Google.org to help advance digital inclusion in rural and Tribal communities. Over the next four years, this grant and the National Digital Navigator Corps it supports will have a wide impact on the thousands of people who will benefit from the work on the ground and a long-lasting impact on digital inclusion.

08:30:21 From H Trostle to Everyone: ^the Tribal digital inclusion for that grant will be through AMERIND - Geoff Blackwell from AMERIND is also on AIPI's board. We hope to support AMERIND and NDIA in this endeavor. - H at AIPI

08:30:21 From Janet (Durckel) to Everyone: Pima County seeking opportunities to expand broadband
https://www.google.com/url?rct=j&sa=t&url=https://www.gvnews.com/news/pima-county-seeking-opportunities-to-expand-broadband/article_8f8a0a2a-9696-11ec-a12d-b37e94ca8ce1.html&ct=ga&cd=CAEYACoTNjEyODQ4MTEzNTA1Mzi5NzcyOTIaY2EyOWEyOTQ2NTNhYWl1Zjpb206ZW46VVM&usg=AFQjCNFkYucPjXYETaOmhvAdL1xetNUxUg

08:31:32 From Sophia Mayberry to Everyone: Dr Morris supported the rural report on our tech task force!

08:31:52 From Cheryl MangoPaget to Steve Peters(Direct Message): Thank you. If possible, I would like to set-up a meeting to discuss my participation with this group and get a better an overview. I have an 8:30 a.m. county leader mtg. so I must go. Please send me your calendar invites. Best, Cheryl

08:33:51 From Mala Muralidharan to Everyone: I attended some of the sessions of the Portland conference online as well.

08:34:13 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: ASU American Indian Policy Institute (AIPI) recently issued their Tribal Broadband Policy Priorities for 2022 available on their Policy & Legislative page at https://aiipi.asu.edu/policy_legislative

08:36:54 From Mala Muralidharan to Everyone: The White House launched their Build.gov site with details on the recently approved infrastructure funding package at <https://www.whitehouse.gov/build/> where you can download a comprehensive Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Guidebook PDF

08:37:44 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: Thanks Mala!

08:38:15 From Drew Garner to Everyone: Thanks all, have a great week!

08:38:27 From Jan Schiller to Everyone: Thanks for the great info today. Steve, my thoughts are with you for Mary.

08:38:33 From Mala Muralidharan to Everyone: Those who missed it....The Arizona Commerce Authority has released the Arizona Statewide Broadband Middle-Mile Strategic Plan now available on their site at <https://www.azcommerce.com/news-events/news/2022/2/arizona-commerce-authority-announces-statewide-broadband-middle-mile-strategic-plan>

08:38:39 From Debbie Kovesdy to Everyone: Thank you everyone! Always like Cindy says an abundance of information1

08:42:37 From Janet (Durckel) to Steve Peters(Direct Message): Did you/anyone invite Ben Blink to participate in this group?

08:43:08 From Paul Ross to Everyone: Heather has a hand raised.

08:43:11 From Steve Peters to Janet (Durckel)(Direct Message): Yes Ben is invited and on the list

08:43:39 From Kelly Krusee to Steve Peters(Direct Message): I stayed on to check in on you - but don't want to make it public! Please let me know if I can help you - I can help with notes or minutes or emails? Please keep me in mind if you do make an ask for help. Let your village support, if we can!

08:44:19 From Janet (Durckel) to Steve Peters(Direct Message): thanks!

08:50:10 From Derek Masseth to Everyone: Gotta drop. Thanks again!

08:58:44 From Cindy Hogan to Everyone: Amen, Fernando! Gotta drop...

08:59:10 From Mala Muralidharan to Everyone: Yeah Fernando!

09:03:33 From kirk busch to Everyone:paul - should we consider another roundtable @ the #USDC22 summit ?

09:07:41 From Paul Ross to Everyone: Lots of coffee, tea and whiteboards.

09:08:02 From Paul Ross to Everyone: Do you have a link to the USDC22 summit?

09:08:42 From Janet (Durckel) to Everyone: convene the experts

09:10:05 From Janet (Durckel) to Everyone: Jeff sent a note that he is in DC

09:10:06 From Paul Ross to Everyone: 45'x6' paper for people to write on. Mind map the identified problems, issues, areas of interest eg. policy, site access, policy, etc.

09:11:11 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: Big Data Southwest's DataCenter & SmartCity IoT Infrastructure Summit (#USDC22, #AZDC22) on April 6 details at <https://www.bigdatasw.org/> FYI.

09:11:29 From Mala Muralidharan to Everyone: Hopping off

09:12:36 From Janet (Durckel) to Everyone: gotta go thanks!