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**AZBSN** Arizona Broadband  
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Arizona Telecommunications and Information Council  
**DIGITAL ACCESS TASK FORCE**

**AZBSN Meeting Chat – November 30, 2023**

08:16:43 From Maggie Farry to Everyone: mfarry@az.gov

08:18:06 From Nicole Umayam to Everyone: Digital Inclusion and Workforce working groups are meeting this afternoon

08:21:28 From Erin Lorandos | ACA (she, her) to Everyone:  
<https://www.azcommerce.com/broadband/arizona-broadband-equity-access-deployment-program/>

08:21:47 From Nicole Umayam to Everyone: Please feel free to connect on all things BEAD and digital equity in Arizona! numayam@ntia.gov 202-308-7160

08:22:21 From Erin Lorandos | ACA (she, her) to Everyone: Replying to "https://www.azcommer..."

^^That's where you'll find the BEAD Vol's 1 and 2, and be able to provide feedback on Vol 2

08:22:39 From Ilana Lowery to Everyone: That's great, @Megan Hammond!

08:22:53 From Megan Hammond to Everyone: Reacted to "That's great, @Megan..." with ❤️

08:29:23 From Paul Ross to Everyone: The detailed criteria is in the grant NOFO.

08:31:29 From Nicole Umayam to Everyone: The Connect Arizona Now project is part of another NTIA grant program, the Connecting Minority Communities pilot program. There are 3 awardees in Arizona: <https://broadbandusa.ntia.doc.gov/funding-programs/connecting-minority-communities>

08:40:47 From Paul Ross to Everyone: There are 4 CMC projects in Arizona - Tohono O'odham CC, Dine College, University of Arizona, & Phoenix College.

08:43:51 From Nicole Umayam to Everyone: Paul, my apologies for leaving Phoenix College off!

08:45:34 From Paul Ross to Everyone: Reacted to "Paul, my apologies f..." with 👍

08:46:23 From Mala Muralidharan to Everyone: Awesome to hear all the progress Dr Carter and Mellissa! I still remember the conversation that Erin Lorandos and I had with you! Will be in touch about free, vetted resource, especially health-related.

08:47:02 From Erin Lorandos | ACA (she, her) to Everyone: erinl@azcommerce.com Digital Equity Program Manager with ACA

08:47:28 From Melissa Hall to Everyone: Replying to "Awesome to hear all ..." Wonderful, thank you Mala!

08:49:27 From Shereka Jackson to Everyone: Amen!

08:49:40 From Paul Ross to Everyone: NEPA/SHPO included.

08:50:51 From Paul Ross to Everyone: NTIA had a great webinar this week on the NEPA/SHPO requirements which impact grants from the NTIA.

08:58:20 From Mala Muralidharan to Everyone: Bye all

08:58:41 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: Arizona Mirror published "High-Speed internet coming to the Hualapai Nation, Mohave, La Paz counties" on 11/17/23 about Wecom's \$10M Arizona Broadband Development Grant for the Mohave and La Paz county portions of the Bridging the Digital Divide project & \$3.2M USDA ReConnect Grant for the Hualapai Nation portion. See <https://www.azmirror.com/blog/high-speed-internet-coming-to-the-hualapai-nation-mohave-la-paz-counties/>

08:58:56 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: Big Data Southwest will hold their National DataCenter AI HPC & Cloud Summit (#AZDC23) on 12/13/23 preceded by a golf tournament on 12/12/23 both in Goodyear. Join business & government leaders from some of the most innovative companies & organizations in the world! Learn, engage & network in a collaborative environment to maximize the creation of Stem jobs & promote global sustainability! ATIC/AZBSN discount code for 50% off registration: ATIC23. Details at <https://www.bigdatasw.org/> FYI.

08:58:59 From Paul Ross to Everyone: Here is a resource on the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program. <https://broadbandusa.ntia.gov/funding-programs/tribal-broadband-connectivity>

08:59:28 From Bryan Carter to Everyone: Congrats on that!!! How cool

09:00:10 From Erin Lorandos | ACA (she, her) to Everyone: Have a great day!

09:01:46 From Cindy Hogan to Everyone: Cindy Hogan, Chair

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09:05:14 From Tina Gounder to Everyone: Thank you!