7:15AM	**Registration Opens, sponsored by**

7:15AM – 8:00AM	**Networking Breakfast with Exhibitors, Sponsored by GFiber**

8:00AM – 8:05AM **Welcome & Introduction**
Evann Freeman, Vice President, Government and Community Relations, EPB, FBA Board

8:05AM – 8:15AM **Fiber Broadband: Leave No Community Behind**
Gary Bolton, President & CEO, Fiber Broadband Association

8:15AM – 8:20AM **Platinum Sponsor Welcome & Introductions**
Ashley Brown, Senior Director, Field Marketing, Adtran

8:20AM – 8:45AM **Opening Keynote:**
Christopher Ali, Ph.D., Pioneers Chair in Telecommunications, Professor of Telecommunications, Penn State University

8:45AM – 9:20AM **A Case in Point: Brightspeed**
Abstract to be written
Panelists:
- TBD
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9:20AM – 9:45AM **Fireside Chat: TBD**
Kyle C. Kopko, Ph.D., J.D., Executive Director, Center for Rural Pennsylvania with

9:45AM **Breakfast Sponsor Remarks**

9:45AM – 10:30AM *Networking Break with Exhibitors, sponsored by TAK Communications*

10:30AM **Networking Break Sponsor Remarks** –

10:30AM – 11:10AM **Finding First Time Fiber Broadband Customers**
As broadband funding enables operators to reach new customers, many of these will be first time subscribers to fiber broadband. What do operators need to share to address Digital Literacy as they look to engage with residences that were formerly unserved? This panel discussion will focus on the tools, tips and best practices as operators close the digital divide for the communities they serve and the people each connect.
Moderator: TBD
Panelists:
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11:10AM – 11:50AM **The Community Connection: How Fiber Impacts Economics and Opportunity**
As the fiber broadband industry moves to close the Digital Equity Gap, what does this mean for local stakeholders in terms of economic impact and opportunity? What role does fiber play in improving GDP, creating job opportunities, and new business development? What impact can it have on education, community services and home prices, and does fiber present the best catalyst for growth as local operators decide what technology to leverage with BEAD funding? At the heart of it is, does an option other than fiber equate to a decision to potentially leave a community behind?
Moderator: TBD
Panelists:
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11:50AM – 12:15PM **Keynote: Pennsylvania Broadband Priorities**
The Honorable Uri Monson, Secretary of Budget, Chair, the Pennsylvania Broadband Deployment Authority, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

12:15PM **Lunch Sponsor Remarks**
Scott Jackson, National Market Manager, Graybar

12:15PM – 12:45PM *Networking Lunch-Sponsored by Graybar/Fujitsu*
12:45PM – 1:30PM *Networking Dessert with Exhibitors*

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1:30PM – 2:10PM **Local Focus: Permit Me to Deploy Fiber**
One of the biggest challenges facing new broadband networks is the paperwork, specifically the environmental reviews, locates, and permitting approvals needed before construction can start. Given that most networks will likely be deployed across a combination of state, federal, and privately owned land, and possibly Tribal-owned land, or access to railways, bridge/overpass infrastructures, poles or towers, ducts or conduits or federal and state highways, the number of federal, state, and local agencies an operator must work with can be overwhelming.
Moderator: TBD
Panelists:
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2:10PM – 2:30PM **Afternoon Keynote:**
TBD, National Digital Inclusion Alliance

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2:30PM – 2:35PM *Sip & Stretch Coffee and Snack Break sponsored by TAK Communications*

2:35PM – 2:40PM **Networking Reception Sponsor Remarks**

2:40PM – 3:20PM **Deployment Challenges and Opportunities:**
The Keystone State supports the 5th largest population in the U.S. with city populations ranging from the millions to a few hundred residents, including over 63,200 farms. This varied topography and demographics creates challenges for operators looking to deploy services across the region and state, both in terms of the outside plant conditions and the local city and country requirements network operators will face as each look to expand network footprint and reach homes previously unconnected. This panel will discuss the realities of deploying fiber broadband networks in such a diverse outside plant environment as Pennsylvania offers.
Moderator: TBD
Panelists:
- Jim Kail, President and CEO, Laurel Highland Total Communications, Inc.
- TBD
- TBD

3:20PM – 3:25PM **Closing Remarks**

3:25PM – 4:30PM **Networking Reception with Expo Hall sponsored by Corning**