

7:15AM	<b>Registration Opens, sponsored by</b>	
7:15AM – 8:00AM	<b>Networking Breakfast with Exhibitors, Sponsored by GFiber</b>	
8:00AM – 8:05AM	<b>Welcome &amp; Introduction</b> Evann Freeman, Vice President, Government and Community Relations, EPB, FBA Board	
8:05AM – 8:15AM	<b>Fiber Broadband: Leave No Community Behind</b> Gary Bolton, President & CEO, Fiber Broadband Association	
8:15AM – 8:20AM	<b>Platinum Sponsor Welcome &amp; Introductions</b> Jeff Brown, Senior Director, Segment Marketing, Calix	
8:20AM – 8:45AM	<b>Opening Keynote:</b>	
8:45AM – 9:20AM	<b>A Case in Point:</b> Native Networks <b>Moderator:</b> TBD <b>Panelists:</b> • TBD	
9:20AM – 9:45AM	<b>Fireside Chat: Understanding the Suburban and Urban Digital Divide</b>	
9:45AM	<b>Breakfast Sponsor Remarks</b> GFiber	
9:45AM – 10:30AM	<i>Networking Break with Exhibitors sponsored by TAK Broadband</i>	
10:30AM	<b>Networking Break Sponsor Remarks</b> TBD	
10:30AM – 11:10AM	<b>Tribal Broadband: A Community Approach to Tribal Broadband</b> The Inland Northwest Tribal Broadband Coalition which represents the Colville Tribes, Spokane Tribes, Coeur d'Alene Tribe, Nez Perce Tribe, and the Shoshone-Bannock Tribe and have a mission to share resources to strengthen themselves and each other. This panel will include representatives from each tribe to share insights and lessons learned from the combined effort to deliver broadband services to every nation and home. <b>Moderator:</b> Ernie Rasmussen, Executive Director, Bigfoot Telecommunications of the Coleville Tribes <b>Panelists:</b> • Melissa King, Department of Technology Manager, Nez Perce Tribe • Amber Hastings, Spokane Tribe of Indians • Valarie Fast Horse, IT Director, Couer d'Alene Tribe • Francis Goli, Tribal Broadband Project Manager, Shoshone-Bannock Tribe	

- 11:10AM – 11:50AM **The Community Connection: How Fiber Impacts Economics and Opportunity**  
As the fiber broadband industry moves to connect every home, 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:** Ashley Travers, Vice President, Strategic Partnerships, KGPCo  
**Panelists:**
- Kendal Ingraham, Network Analyst, Public Utility District No. 1 of Okanogan County
  - Drew Pappas, Director of Business Development, Bonfire Fiber
  - Donna Hilty, Chief Operating Officer, Whidbey Telecom
  - TBD
- 11:50AM – 12:15PM **Fireside Chat: Developing Community Anchors**  
with Jeff Brown, Senior Director, Segment Marketing, Calix
- 12:15PM **Lunch Sponsor Remarks**  
Scott Jackson, National Market Manager, Graybar
- 12:15PM – 12:45PM *Networking Lunch-Sponsored by Graybar/Ciena*
- 12:45PM – 1:30PM *Networking Dessert with Exhibitors*
- 1:30PM – 2:05PM **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 urban and suburban deployments can mean building in historic areas, in established neighborhoods, and the reality of dealing with HOAs and preservation groups, on top of federal, state, and local agencies, the permitting process for an operator can be overwhelming. Adding to this complexity are extremely rural locals located in the Puget Sound Barrier Islands and homes located in dense forests and in mountain ranges. This panel will discuss best practices, lessons learned, and how to forge local relationships that can help smooth this process.  
**Moderator:**  
**Panelists:**
- Bo Gresham, Vice President of Strategy, DYCOM
  - Sam Ackley, Chief Operating Officer, Hunter Communications
  - Kiale Staveland, Telecommunications Project Manager, LIBC Public Works Department, Lummi Nation
  - Tim Axelsson, Chief Operating Officer, OCIUS-X
- 2:05PM – 2:30PM **Keynote: Washington Broadband Priorities**

2:30PM – 2:35PM *Sip & Stretch Coffee and Snack Break sponsored by Dura-Line*



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

2:40PM – 3:20PM **Critical Infrastructure: The Foundation and Capacity to Innovate**

Washington State is home to several of the world's largest corporations and data center complexes. From coffee to computing, shopping to airplanes, innovators in Evergreen state continue to germinate new ideas. How does fiber broadband, as the underlying critical infrastructure, enable and foster innovation here. How does it support where entrepreneurs want to go next when they have access to unlimited capacity to the markets of the digital economy? This panel will discuss how innovation and entrepreneurship in the state that's motto is "Al-Ki" which comes from Chinook Jargon, translating "Hope for the future."

**Moderator:** Mike Vermeer, Manager, Broadband, Panduit

**Panelists:**

- Will O'Donnell, Broadband and Communications Director, Jefferson County Public Utility District #1
- TBD
- TBD
- TBD

3:20PM – 3:25PM **Closing Remarks**

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

