



**NTTA Tribal Broadband Summit**  
“Building a Tribal SMART Broadband Network”  
March 20-22 2023



**Tuesday, March 21st**

**7:15AM – 8:15AM**

**BREAKFAST BUFFET**

Cholla Breakout Room

You may be seated in the Palo Verde Ballroom to enjoy breakfast

Registration (cont'd)

**Please visit the government tables in the side hallway between Ballroom and Breakout Rooms.**

- USDA will take appointments for meetings in one of the Breakout Rooms.
- GAO, FCC, USAC, NTIA-Office of Inspector General, Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council, and AZ Telemedicine Program & SW Telehealth Resource Center (has resources for entire US) all have representatives available to answer your questions!

*Notes:*

*Pierson Wireless is demonstrating its Cell on Wheels (COW) in the Parking Lot.*

*HCI Energy is demonstrating its Hybrid Power Shelter in the Parking Lot.*

**8:00AM – 8:45AM**

**Welcome/Invocation**

- Godfrey Enjady, NTTA President
  - ⚙ USDA in the Cholla Break Out Room for questions/conversations, signup sheet available
  - ⚙ Tribal Members welcome to relax and network in the Tribal Reflection Room (Agave Room) special snacks and soft drinks/charging stations
  - ⚙ Adam Geisler/NTIA and staff are here at the Summit
  - ⚙ FCC/USAC/DOI/GAO/USDA/White House/FBI (Melanie & Joe)
- Cissimarie Juan, Tohono O’odham Nation Member, will sing the National Anthem in O’odham
- Harry Antone, Gila River Indian Community Member, will give the Invocation
- Governor Stephen Roe Lewis, Gila River Indian Community
- Board Member, Gila River Telecommunications
- Claudia Tarbell, Sr. Engagement Manager for Tribal and Indigenous Communities, Calix, remarks
- Remarks by Platinum Sponsors:
  - ⚙ Tarana Wireless – Tim Jaeger, Account Executive - Tribal
  - ⚙ Graybar - Scott Jackson, National Market Manager II
  - ⚙ BearCom – Mike Owen, CTO
- Remarks by Breakfast Sponsor: Andrew Metcalfe, Native Network



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**8:45AM – 9:30AM USDA RUS Programs**

- ⊗ Andy Berke, Administrator for Rural Utilities Service, US Dept. of Agriculture
- ⊗ Brian Smith, Field Staff Branch Chief, Rural Development, US Dept. of Agriculture

**9:30AM – 10:00AM Business Planning/Sustainability (Hybrid Presentation/Panel)**

- ⊗ Doug Kitch, Partner, Moss Adams
- ⊗ Godfrey Enjady, President, NTTA and GM of Mescalero Apache Telecom
- ⊗ Kevin Shendo, Education Director, Pueblo of Jemez

**10:00AM – 10:30AM GAO’s Recent and Ongoing Study of Tribal Broadband Grants**

- ⊗ Keith Cunningham, Assistant Director, U.S. Government Accountability Office
- ⊗ Rebecca Rygg, Senior Analyst, U.S. Government Accountability Office

**10:30AM – 10:45AM BREAK**

**10:45AM – 11:15AM National Telecommunications and Information Administration**

- ⊗ Adam Geisler, Division Chief, Tribal Connectivity and Nation to Nation Coordination  
Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth (OICG)  
National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)

**11:15AM – Noon Meeting the Requirements of Grant Funding: Technical and Financial Compliance**

- ⊗ Moderator: Jeff Little, Palmetto Engineering
- ⊗ Barak Harlan, Director of Equipment Engineering, CHR Solutions
- ⊗ Amanda Molina, Director of Business Development, JSI
- ⊗ Larry Thompson, Chief Executive Officer, Vantage Point Solutions

**Noon: Godfrey Enjady and Remarks by Lunch Sponsor, Jack Breeding, Ribbon**

**Noon – 1:00PM LUNCH and Keynote Address**

**12:30PM – 1:00PM Keynote Address Michael Weening, CEO, Calix**

***Building for the Future: A Broadband Network Your Community Will Be Proud of For Generations***



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**2:40PM – 3:00PM Bringing Efficiency and Clarity to Federal Permitting through FAST-41**

- ⚙️ Christine Harada, Executive Director, Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council

*Learn how the Permitting Council and the FAST-41 program can help cut through red tape in the federal permitting process and get broadband and other infrastructure on the ground faster. FAST-41 requires all federal agencies involved in the permitting process to coordinate their reviews and authorizations, stick to a timeline, and be accountable for delays.*

**3:00PM – 3:45 PM The Broadband Journey is Different for Every Tribe**

- ⚙️ Moderator: Kevin Hamer, GM - Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Tribal Broadband Consortium
- ⚙️ Tim Jaeger, Account Executive – Tribal, Tarana Wireless
- ⚙️ Mike Owen, Chief Technology Officer, BearCom
- ⚙️ Ted Cox, Sr. Director - Advanced Solutions and Development, Pierson Wireless

**3:45PM – 4:30PM Supply Chain Issues: What You Need To Know**

- ⚙️ Moderator: Godfrey Enjady, NTTA President and GM of Mescalero Apache Telecom, Inc.
- ⚙️ Scott Jackson, National Market Manager II, Graybar
- ⚙️ Troy Doyle, VP Global Supply Chain Solutions, Wesco
- ⚙️ Joe Trammell, Director of Field Sales South Region, Walker

**4:30PM – 5:15PM Planning for your Community's Future Generations**

- ⚙️ Moderator: Claudia Tarbell, Sr. Engagement Mgr. for Tribal and Indigenous Communities, Calix
- ⚙️ Dr. James Trumbly, Director, Wahzhazhe Connect, Osage Nation
- ⚙️ Kristan Johnson, Operations Manager, Tohono O'odham Utility Authority & Treasurer of NTTA
- ⚙️ Teresa Hopkins, Government and Tribal Affairs Director, Sacred Wind Communications & Secretary of NTTA
- ⚙️ Jason Hall, Tribal Broadband Projects Manager, Mohawk Networks, LLC

*What's the impact of broadband access on tribal communities? Hear stories from communities that have received funding to execute their vision, benefit from their experiences and lessons learned building broadband networks in their own communities. Panelists will share the impact broadband has had on their community and their visions for the future.*

**5:15PM Explanation of Wednesday Events**



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**5:15PM – 7:15PM**

**VENDOR RECEPTION**

**Event Lawn**

**This is your chance to visit the vendor booths in the Ballroom, Lobby, and the Sun-Soaked Hallway**

***Without the generous support of all the vendors, this Summit would not be possible!***