

**North Bay North Coast Broadband Consortium
Legislative and Regulatory Platform
State & Federal**

- Support efforts that further strengthen local authority over telecommunications siting or zoning, including small cell installation in local communities and public rights-of-way (e.g. 5G wireless technology).
- Support efforts to require providers to enhance resiliency and ensure several days' emergency backup power to cell tower sites for public safety, alert and warning notifications, and general communications needs.
- Support County Board of Supervisors, representing all communities and groups, to vet broadband providers to ensure compliance with the County's strategic broadband plans.
- Support County BOS, representing all county communities and groups, to vet BB providers to ensure compliance with the County's strategic BB plan.
- Support efforts to fund and provide high-speed internet, including Wi-Fi "hot spots" to seniors, rural communities, schools and other unserved/underserved communities, including infrastructure development for unserved/underserved areas, training for unserved/underserved populations, competition and redundancy, and local franchise authority and public right-of-way management.
- Support current and new grant opportunities, including renewal of CASF and other programs, that include last mile and middle mile grant funding
- Support complete and accurate broadband connectivity data, which is necessary to effectively bridge the growing digital divide as the state and federal government relies on this information to determine the true need for critical broadband resources.
- Support 100 Mbps download and 100 Mbps upload as the target minimum speed standards.
- Support competition that leads to greater affordability and better service and not permit any effort for incumbent service providers to have the opportunity to block any form of grants for whatever reason