



Brad Little, Governor
Tom Kealey, Director

Idaho Broadband Advisory Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 31, 2023
Idaho Capitol Building
Room WW53 and via Zoom

Idaho Broadband Advisory Board Members	Idaho Commerce Staff
Chairman, Rep. John Vander Woude, Idaho Legislator	Ramón Hobdey-Sánchez, State Broadband Program Manager
Vice-Chair Sen. Doug Ricks, Idaho Legislator	Jake Reynolds, Business Development & Operations Administrator
Sen. James Ruchti, Idaho Legislator	Ewa Szewczyk, Grants and Contracts Manager
Sen. Trent Berg, Idaho Legislator (A)	
Rep. Megan Blanksma, Idaho Legislator (A)	
Rep. Barbara Ehardt, Idaho Legislator (A)	
Andrew Emerson, MH Solutions	
Mitch Watkins, Watkins Distribution	
Margie Watson, JC Watson & Company	
(Z) denotes via Zoom	
(A) denotes absent	

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Call to order:

Chairman Rep. John Vander Woude called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM with a quorum present.

Idaho Office of Broadband Update:

Ramon on BEAD program and 5-year Action Plan and supplemental funds have been signed.

Capital Projects Fund: Executive Summary Public Comments & Grant Guidelines

Final consideration with change of verbiage from original draft regarding edits to clarify when writing the agreement related to grant guidelines.

Discussed CPF Grant Program and Guidelines. Plans for public comment period.

Motion made by: Andy Emerson made motion to approve Idaho CPF grant guidelines and to open up the grant portal within 3-business days of Treasury approval of the program, along with the addition of lobbying reference per earlier discussion.

Seconded by: Sen. Ruchti

All in favor: motion passes

All approved

New Business: N/A

- **Tentative Next IBAB Meetings (subject to change):**
 - No April Meeting Scheduled.
 - Wednesday, May 17, 2023
 - Wednesday, June 14, 2023
 - Wednesday, July 12, 2023

Adjournment: 9:25 AM