**Governor’s Task Force on Broadband**

**Monday, August 19, 2024**

**10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Northeast Service Cooperative  
5525 Emerald Ave, Mountain Iron, MN 55768

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**10:00 a.m. – 10:10 a.m**. **Welcome**

Teddy Bekele, Chair, Minnesota Governor’s Task Force on Broadband

**10:10 a.m. – 10:20 a.m**. **Introduction**

Paul McDonald, Board Chair, St. Louis County Commissioners

**10:20 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.** **Approval of minutes from July 18th, 2024, Task Force Meeting**

**10:25 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.** **Internet Service Providers Panel**

**Consolidated Telecommunications Company**: Joe Buttweiler, Chief Strategy Officer

**Northeast Service Coop**: Paul Brinkman, Executive Director; Joe Weber, Operations Manager

**Paul Bunyan Communications**: Gary Johnson, CEO/GM; Chad Bullock Assistant GM; Patti Horazuk, Regulatory Compliance Specialist; Steve Howard, IT & Development Manager

**11:15am-11:25 a.m.**  **Break**

**11:25 a.m. –11:40 a.m.** **Broadband Equity, Access and Development Progra (BEAD) Update**

Bree Maki, Executive Director, Office of Broadband Development

Diane Wells, Deputy Director, Office of Broadband Development

**11:40 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.** **Digital Opportunity Update**

Bree Maki, Executive Director, Office of Broadband Development

Hannah Buckland, Digital Equity Program Lead

**11:50 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.** **Office of Broadband Development Overview**

Bree Maki, Executive Director, Office of Broadband Development

**12:05 p.m. – 12:20 p.m.** **Sub-Group Discussion in preparation for Broadband Task Force Annual Report**

Affordability & Digital Equity; Mapping, Funding, & Policy; Economic Opportunity & Workforce

**12:20 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.** **Other Business, September 24th Meeting Plans, Wrap-up**