**Governor’s Task Force on Broadband**

**Thursday, January 11, 2024**

**10:00 a.m. – 12:35 p.m.**

Braham Area High School (ECMECC)

Room B-100

531 Elmhurst Avenue South

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10:00 a.m. – 10:05 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

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

10:05 a.m. – 10:10 a.m. Approval of minutes from September 19 and November 30 Task Force Meetings

10:10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. ECMECC Cooperative Benefits and Family/Student Challenges

Marc Johnson, Executive Director, ECMECC

10:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. BEAD Update

Bree Maki, Executive Director, Office of Broadband Development

Diane Wells, Deputy Director, Office of Broadband Development

10:50 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Digital Opportunity Update

Bree Maki, Executive Director, Office of Broadband Development

Hannah Buckland, Digital Equity Program Lead

11:00 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. Break

11:10 a.m. – 11:40 a.m. Broadband Overview

Bree Maki, Executive Director, Office of Broadband Development

11:40 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Benefits from Border-to-Border Broadband Grants and ECE Deployment

Dennis Rice, Broadband Manager, East Central Energy

12:00 p.m. – 12:15 p.m. Sub-Group Discussion

12:15 p.m. – 12:20 p.m. Public Comment, Other Business, February 15th Meeting Plans, Wrap-up