



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 1/13/2026

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Supervisor Steve Madrone

**Agenda Section:** Initiated by Board Member

**Vote Requirement:** Majority

**SUBJECT:**

A Presentation and Update Regarding Broadband in Humboldt County

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Hear the presentation and file the report.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Sustainable Natural Resources & Infrastructure Stewardship

Strategic Plan Category: 5006 - Improve communications infrastructure (e.g., broadband)

**DISCUSSION:**

Supervisor Madrone has invited Connie Stewart, the Executive Director of Initiatives for Cal Poly Humboldt and Chief Policy Advisor for California Center for Rural Policy, to update the Board of Supervisors and the community on all things broadband related. This update will include important information on improvements and provide a clear vision of the work that lies ahead.

**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

None

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact to hearing the update from our community leader.

**STAFFING IMPACT:**

There is no staffing impact to hearing this agenda item.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

California Center for Rural Policy

**ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Board discretion

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None

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**PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:**

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