

**CREATING A CONNECTED AMERICA**

A great way to create a connected America is to involve all Americans in the development of a National Broadband Plan. The FCC welcomes civic participation, and we look forward to more interaction through this website as we add new features and functions. Check back soon!



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**Welcome to Broadband.gov**

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) was signed into law on February 17, 2009. The Broadband Initiatives funded in the Act are intended to accelerate broadband deployment across the United States. The Recovery Act authorizes the FCC to create a National Broadband Plan, that "shall seek to ensure that all people of the United States have access to broadband capability and shall establish benchmarks for meeting that goal." [Learn More...](#)

**Workshops**

The goal of the workshops will be to promote an open dialogue between the FCC and key constituents on matters important to the National Broadband Plan. Key constituents will include service providers, equipment providers, applications providers, community groups, and other groups that have a stake in the future of broadband. Check the workshops schedule for more details and to suggest topics and questions for the workshops.

- Register to attend in-person
- Register to attend webinar
- Add workshops schedule to your calendar

**Upcoming Events | Complete Schedule**

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
<b>October</b>						
				1 Field Hearing	2 9:00am	3
4	5	6 Field Hearing	7	8 Field Hearing	9 10:00am	10
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**NEWS**



September 29, 2009  
Broadband Task Force Delivers Status Report On Feb. 17 National Broadband Plan. Public Notice:   
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- Julius Genachowski**  
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- Robert M. McDowell**  
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- Meredith Attwell Baker**  
*Commissioner*

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**A National Broadband Clearinghouse**

October 14th, 2009 by Matt Warner

It's not just the FCC that's interested in figuring out the best way to use and deploy broadband. We've learned that lots of organizations: towns and cities, state governments, small businesses, non-profits, and others are also looking at the question. Several parties have suggested that an online clearinghouse of broadband data and best practices would make it much easier for everyone to get this information easily. [Read More...](#)

**The Second and Middle Mile Challenge**

October 8th, 2009 by Rob Curtis

Many of you may be familiar with the telecom term the "last mile" - the connection between your home (or

**FEATURED INITIATIVES**



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