

# 2022 OREGON CONNECTIONS TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

## *“Oregon Connections: Navigating the Funding Flood”*

DATES: Thursday and Friday, October 6 and 7, 2022

TIMES: Thursday, 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM, and Friday 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM

### Thursday, October 6

Time	Activity	Presenters
8:00 – 8:45	<b>Registration, Continental Breakfast</b> <i>Grand Ballroom</i>	
8:45 – 9:00	<b>Welcome and Introductions –</b> <i>Grand Ballroom</i> <b>Joe Franell – Blue Mountain Networks</b> <b>Diane Garcia – Juniper Networks</b>	
9:00 – 10:15	<b>Keynote Presentation</b> <i>Grand Ballroom</i>	<b>Angela Siefer – National Digital Inclusion Alliance</b>
10:15 – 10:30	<b>Break / Room Transition</b>	
10:30 – 11:45	<b>General Session Panel #1</b> <i>Grand Ballroom</i>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>A Tipping Point</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Given the current level of anticipated federal funding, how will the vision of ubiquitous, equitable, and secure broadband be achieved?</i></p>	<u>Moderator:</u> <b>Jim Teece – Project A</b>  <u>Panelists:</u> <b>Angela Siefer – National Digital Inclusion Alliance (NDIA)</b> <b>Ted Case – Oregon Rural Electric Cooperative Association (ORECA)</b> <b>Jessica Epley – Ziplly Fiber</b>  <b>Jennifer Redman – City of Portland</b>  <b>Todd Stiller – Lumen Technologies</b>  <b>Bruce Zimmerman – Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation</b>  <b>Chris Walker – NoaNet Washington</b>
11:45 – 12:00	<b>Break / Room Transition</b>	
12:00 – 1:20	<b>Oregon Connections Awards Luncheon</b> <i>Grand Ballroom</i> <b>Sponsored by</b> <b>Astound Business Solutions, Hunter Communications and EnerTribe</b>	

1:20 – 1:45	<b>Break / Room Transition:</b>	
1:45 – 3:15	<p><b>Session – Funding Application Workshop</b></p> <p><i>Session Description: Federal funding programs</i></p> <p><i>Cosmos I Room</i></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> <b>Pam Berrian, City of Eugene</b></p> <p><u>Panelists:</u>  <b>Margaret Hoffmann – U.S. Department of Agriculture</b></p> <p><b>Gilbert Resendez – National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)</b></p>	<p><b>Session – Funded Project Implementation</b></p> <p><i>Session Description: Managing for successful funded project implementation and deliverables</i></p> <p><i>Grand Ballroom</i></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> <b>Adam Haas – Rabbit Communications</b></p> <p><u>Panelists:</u>  <b>Forest James – EnerTribe, Inc.</b></p> <p><b>Anne Fifield – City of Eugene</b></p> <p><b>Jacob Callister – Regional Fiber Consortium</b></p>
3:15 – 3:30	<b>Break / Room Transition</b>	
3:30 – 5:00	<p><b>Session – Funding Application Workshop</b></p> <p><i>Session Description: State of Oregon administered funding programs</i></p> <p><i>Cosmos I Room</i></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> <b>Brian McGuirk – Oregon Broadband Office-Business Oregon</b></p> <p><u>Panelists:</u>  <b>Buzzy Nielsen – State Library of Oregon</b></p> <p><b>Michael DeHart – Oregon Broadband Office-Business Oregon</b></p>	<p><b>Session – Navigating Funding Opportunities</b></p> <p><i>Session Description: Identifying and applying for broadband funding opportunities</i></p> <p><i>Grand Ballroom</i></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> <b>Diane Garcia – Juniper Networks</b></p> <p><u>Panelists:</u>  <b>Jennifer Holtz – JSI</b></p> <p><b>John MacDonald –Public Utility District of Okanogan County WA</b></p> <p><b>Mariel Triggs – MuralNet</b></p>
5:20 – 7:00	<p><b>Exhibitor Fair and Reception</b></p> <p><i>Grand Ballroom</i></p> <p><b>Sponsored by LS Networks</b></p>	

## Friday, October 7

Time	Activity	Presenters
7:30 – 8:30	<b>Registration, Breakfast Buffet, Exhibitors' Tables</b> <i>Grand Ballroom</i>	
8:30 – 9:30	<b>General Session #2 Keynote Speaker</b> <i>Grand Ballroom</i>  <i>Broadband Evolution</i>	<b>Russ Elliott – Siskiyou Telephone Company</b>
9:30 – 9:45	<b>Next session setup</b>	
9:45 – 11:30	<b>General Session Panel #3</b> <i>Grand Ballroom</i>  <i>Solution Technologies</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Fiber</i></li> <li>• <i>Terrestrial Wireless</i></li> <li>• <i>Satellite</i></li> <li>• <i>Fiber / Coaxial Cable</i></li> </ul>	<i>Moderator:</i> <b>Duke Dexter – Clackamas County</b>  <i>Panelists:</i> <b>Michael Wynschenk – Hunter Communications</b> <b>Chris Rand – Ciena</b> <b>Glen Scymanski – Radisys</b> <b>Tom Ferris – Alliance Communications</b> <b>Jared Sonne – Astound Broadband</b> <b>TBD – Satellite</b>
11:30 – 11:45	<b>Next session setup</b>	
11:45 – 12:50	<b>General Session Panel #4</b> <i>Grand Ballroom</i>  <i>State Public Policy</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Oregon Broadband Advisory Council – Broadband in Oregon</i></li> <li>• <i>Oregon State Policy, Legislation and State Funding</i></li> </ul>	<i>Moderator:</i> <b>Daniel Holbrook – Oregon Broadband Office-Business Oregon</b>  <i>Panelists: Members of the</i> <i>Oregon Broadband Advisory Council</i> <b>Representative Pam Marsh – Oregon House of Representatives</b>  <b>Commissioner David Yamamoto-Tillamook County</b>  <b>Rick Petersen – PEAK Internet</b>  <b>Krystal Stone – Klamath Tribes</b>
12:50 – 1:20	<b>General Session Conclusion</b> <i>Grand Ballroom</i>  <i>Future Outlook: The next five years</i>	<b>Jim Teece – Project A, and Oregon Connections Telecommunications Conference, Inc.</b>
1:20 – 1:30	<b>Conference Wrap-up and Prize Drawing</b>	
1:30	<b>Adjourn with Box Lunch</b>	

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