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Ms. Alice Patterson  
CSU Chico Geographical Information Center  
35 Main Street, Suite 132  
Chico, CA 95928  
Via email: [ampatterson@csuchico.edu](mailto:ampatterson@csuchico.edu)

RE: Proposal to Economic Development Administration proposal – Broadband Connectivity at Fairgrounds

Dear Ms. Patterson:

Please accept this letter as our support of for the proposed project of the CSU Chico Geographical Information Center and CA Fairs Financing Authority to assess broadband connectivity at fairgrounds for emergency response/economic development and develop broadband plans, cost estimates and complete CEQA compliance. High speed connections to serve first responders and provide wireless internet access to evacuees during disasters will greatly enhance fairground's ability to manage response and recovery during disasters. The connections will also allow fairgrounds in our county to explore alternative uses to support economic development in our communities. We urge you to fund this comprehensive and innovative proposal.

Sincerely,

Dan Hamburg, Chair,  
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

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