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Regional Broadband Summit

When: October 25, 2019, 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM

Where: Burrell Building, Southwestern Community College, Sylva NC

- 9:00 AM Welcome and Update on Regional Broadband Planning
Sarah Thompson, Southwestern Commission Regional Council of Governments
- 9:15 AM Statewide Broadband Advocacy Efforts
Patrick Woodie, North Carolina Rural Center
- 9:30 AM What is Happening in Phase II of Regional Broadband Planning
ECC Technologies, Inc.
- 10:00 AM State and Federal Updates
- *Updates from State legislators*
 - *GREAT Grant -George Collier, North Carolina Department of Information Technology*
 - *Other funding examples -Keith Conover, North Carolina Department of Information Technology*
- 10:45 AM Break
- 11:00 AM Internet Service Provider Panel
Service Providers with customers in the 7 western counties will provide updates, ideas, and perspectives through a facilitated discussion
- 12:00 PM Networking Lunch
- 1:00 PM Snapshots—What is working?
Rural broadband case studies
- 2:30 PM Adjourn

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Cherokee County
Andrews
Murphy

Clay County
Hayesville

Graham County
Robbinsville
Lake Santeetlah
Fontana Dam

Haywood County
Canton
Clyde
Maggie Valley
Waynesville

Jackson County
Dillsboro
Forest Hills
Sylva
Webster

Macon County
Franklin
Highlands

Swain County
Bryson City

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