

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF AMADOR, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO FORM)
THE CENTRAL SIERRA “BROADBAND)
UTILITLY ZONE” CONSORTIUM)

RESOLUTION NO. 21-162

WHEREAS, broadband or high-speed internet services are not available equally throughout our County or region; and

WHEREAS, in the past, Amador County joined with the counties of Alpine, Tuolumne, Calaveras and Mariposa (“Central Sierra Counties”) to form the Central Sierra Connect Broadband Consortium (“CSC Consortium”) a program of the Amador Tuolumne Community Action Agency; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the CSC Consortium was to make ubiquitous broadband available to the Central Sierra Counties through the aggregation of users, engagement of providers and potential users, simplification of county and municipal policies and outreach to the unserved and underserved members of the region; and

WHEREAS, the Amador Tuolumne Community Action Agency no longer sponsors the CSC Consortium; and

WHEREAS, the Central Sierra Counties desire to continue the work of the CSC Consortium and close the Digital Divide in our region; and

WHEREAS, the Central Sierra counties wish to continue as a broadband consortium in order to accept grant funding and other broadband opportunities as a region; and

WHEREAS, this re-formed consortium shall be known as the Central Sierra Broadband Utility Zone (“Central Sierra BUZ”) and shall undertake the work necessary to achieve the goal of the CSC Consortium and any other goals the Central Sierra Counties may define and agree upon; and

WHEREAS, it is agreed by the Central Sierra Counties that the counties shall develop an agreement stipulating the terms under which the Central Sierra BUZ shall operate, including powers and limitations, governing board structure and limitations of liability.


THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador, State of California, does hereby affirms its support for the Central Sierra BUZ and affirms its endorsement to apply for grant funding to facilitate the spread of ubiquitous high-speed internet service to the region.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors in the County of Amador at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 23rd day of November, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: Frank U. Axe, Richard M. Forster, Jeff Brown, Brian Oneto, Patrick Crew

NOES: None

ABSENT: None



Frank U. Axe, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
JENNIFER BURNS, Clerk of the
Board of Supervisors, Amador County,
California

Deputy