



# Wiyot Tribe

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Lawrence E. Strickling  
Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information  
Administrator, National Telecommunications and Information Administration  
U.S. Department of Commerce  
1401 Constitution Ave., NW  
Washington, D.C. 20230-0002

Re: Northern California Open Community Fiber Network project

He'balou Assistant Secretary Strickling:

The Wiyot Tribe, a federally recognized Indian tribe, would like to give its official endorsement for the Northern California Open Community Fiber Network project by Redwood Telephone, LLC.

The Wiyot Tribe is located in a semi-rural area of Humboldt County, near Loleta, CA. Frequent, given our location, the Tribe is beyond the area covered by service providers. The Tribe believes so strongly in the importance of high speed infrastructure that it has become a partner in the Redwood Telephone, LLC. We believe that it is imperative for our citizens to have access to the resources available routinely to people living in less remote areas.

The Tribe recommends the application by Redwood Telephone LLC to provide middle and last-mile broadband services. The Tribe views as critical the ability to provide route redundancy to our community and throughout the North Coast.

If we can provide any additional information on our comments, please contact Maura Eastman, Tribal Administrator, at 707-733-5055.

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Gaji L. Green  
Tribal Chairman