

Broadband and Tribal Radio Spring Forum - 2014

The Montana Broadband Program, in the Montana Department of Administration, State Information Technology Service Division, in partnership with the Federal Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), is working with citizens to increase broadband awareness throughout Montana and Indian Country.

As part of this effort, the Montana Broadband Program has been meeting with Montana Tribes to learn about broadband issues in Indian Country and to share information about resources. The Program would like to thank everyone who participated in these meetings.

An area of common interest in these meetings was the value Tribal radio provides or could provide in helping to meet the goals of the national broadband plan, and the importance of broadband capabilities with Tribal radio. In addition, as federal funding levels change, the need to identify funding sources to support broadband Tribal radio stations and broadband media initiatives becomes important.

To further this discussion, the Broadband Program is sponsoring a free Spring Forum to offer an opportunity for Tribal radio station staff members to network, share ideas, and to meet potential funders for these initiatives and allow anyone interested in broadband Tribal radio to come, learn, and share. We hope you can join us!

Visit the web site below for more information on the Broadband Program and future meetings:

http://www.broadband.mt.gov/indian_country.aspx

Registration is free, so please contact the Montana Broadband Program today to register.

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MONTANA BROADBAND PROGRAM Tribal Outreach 2014



Date: April 16, 2014
Time: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Location: MSU Billings
214 N. Broadway
Billings, MT

Agenda

10:00 am

Welcome & Introductions

10:15 am – 11:30 pm

Roundtable Discussion

- Broadband Internet role in Tribal Radio /Media
- How Tribal radio supports the goals of the National Broadband Plan
- Looking to enhance funding opportunities

11:30am - 1:30 pm

Lunch Table Discussions

- Buckskin Media
- Public Funding
- Private funding

1:30 pm

Wrap-up

