

**THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF IDAHO  
BOISE**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2019-07**

**IDAHO BROADBAND TASK FORCE**

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*WHEREAS, we live in a data-driven society and connectivity is key for a thriving economy; and*

*WHEREAS, we must ensure both urban and rural Idaho are connected and well- positioned to attract business and create maximum success for our communities; and*

*WHEREAS, adequate mapping of broadband and high-speed internet infrastructure is vital in progressing connectivity throughout the state; and*

*WHEREAS, properly analyzing existing resources and gaps will help advance the state in internet connectivity, high speeds, expansion plans, and adequate capacity;*

*NOW, THEREFORE I, BRAD LITTLE, Governor of the State of Idaho, hereby establish the Idaho Broadband Task Force and the following:*

- 1. The Idaho Broadband Task Force will make recommendations to the Governor on policies and actions the state should take to dramatically improve the state in connectivity and service levels.*
- 2. The duties of the Idaho Broadband Task Force are advisory.*
- 3. The Idaho Broadband Task Force will focus on a statewide approach, ensuring Idaho is properly represented, evaluated, and alternatives analyzed.*
- 4. The Idaho Broadband Task Force will be chaired by the Director of the Idaho Department of Commerce.*
- 5. Idaho Department of Commerce will staff the Idaho Broadband Task Force.*
- 6. Members of the Idaho Broadband Task Force are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Members include, but are not limited to:*
  - a. Director of the Idaho Department of Commerce;*
  - b. Director of the Idaho State Department of Agriculture or their designee;*
  - c. Director of the Office of Emergency Management or their designee;*
  - d. Director of the Office of Information Technology Services or their designee;*
  - e. Two members of the Idaho State Senate;*
  - f. Two members of the Idaho House of Representatives;*
  - g. One member representing the Association of Idaho Cities;*
  - h. One member representing the Idaho Association of Counties;*
  - i. One member representing Idaho Tribes;*
  - j. Members representing internet service providers;*
  - k. Members representing satellite providers;*
  - l. Members representing cellular providers;*
  - m. Members representing various industries across the State of Idaho;*
  - n. One member representing the Idaho National Laboratory;*
  - o. One member representing the Idaho electricity providers*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho in Boise on this 23rd day of May, in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-third and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty- ninth.*

BRAD LITTLE GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY SECRETARY OF STATE