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California Broadband Cooperative Awarded \$81.1M Broadband Infrastructure Grant

La Center Washington (August 18, 2010) – Mayhook Law, PLLC congratulates California Broadband Cooperative, Inc. (CBC) on the announcement of its \$81.1 million broadband infrastructure grant award from the National Telecommunications and Information Association’s (NTIA) Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP). The NTIA grant award will fund the design and construction of the Digital 395 Project in the Eastern Sierra region of California.

CBC was previously awarded matching funds of up to \$19.3 million from the California Public Utilities Commission’s California Advanced Services Fund, while NTIA’s BTOP was established under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

The 583-mile project, between Barstow, California and Carson City, Nevada, will directly connect more than 237 hospitals, schools, libraries, military bases, local governments, last-mile service providers, and other anchor institutions to a middle-mile network—which will deliver speeds up to 40 Gigabits-per-second.

The Digital 395 Project was developed through the efforts of Praxis Associates, a fiber-optic network development firm, working closely with Inyo, Kern and Mono Counties. CBC was established as a not-for-profit cooperative that will own and operate the Digital 395 network, providing high-speed broadband services to its members on a wholesale, open-access basis.

Mayhook Law is pleased to have supported the team that developed the grant application, and applauds the diligent efforts of all the project partners, as well as the NTIA staff, in supporting the Digital 395 Project.

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