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Greetings. I'm sorry I couldn't participate in the webinar to discuss the vision statement.

I was the co-founder of the US Broadband Coalition, a consortium of 137 organizations that in 2007 and 2008 drafted a broadband strategy for the US.

The CA vision is much needed, and I appreciate all of CA Forward's efforts to knit together a consistent approach for the state.

I'd like to suggest a few additional elements to consider.

- . "Smart" adaptive goals and legislation. Because the technical and infrastructure landscape continues to change dramatically, it's important to infuse into the vision the requirement that goals are pegged to continually-updated metrics, including technical requirements such as bandwidth and latency
- . Functional requirements to ensure access to education and business services. (Example: networks must support symmetrical service to ensure a school or company can be a publisher.)
- . Strong encouragement for options for community-owned and -operated networks and PPPs (which state funding can kickstart).
- . State-supported cooperative municipality, county, and regional collaboration networks, helping with everything from sharing best practices to purchasing coops that can reduce equipment and software costs.

I'm happy to elaborate on any of these.

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