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The Long Beach Gray Panther are a grassroots community group in Long Beach, CA focused on advancing the needs of Older Adults/Seniors. Our comments relate to the California Broadband Roadmap and reflect the needs and opinions of Long Beach residents.

1. Broadband must be classified as a utility.
2. City governments must be allowed to set up their own companies to oversee broadband delivery and access.
3. All systems must meet the requirement in the Governor's Executive Order to have download speeds of 100mbps
4. All systems must incorporate net neutrality
5. All systems must be focused on Fiber cable delivery.
6. Costs must be kept as low as possible so all community members can afford access.
7. Expand open access fiber networks run by local cities.
8. Make long-term financing options available.
9. Treat fiber-optic cable as infrastructure.

We believe everyone must have access to technology, training, and equipment so no one is left out.

Sincerely,

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