

Broadband For All Permitting Roundtable

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Agenda

Welcome

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Permitting Load Projections

Enhancing Permitting Processes

Permit Streamlining in the Coastal Zone

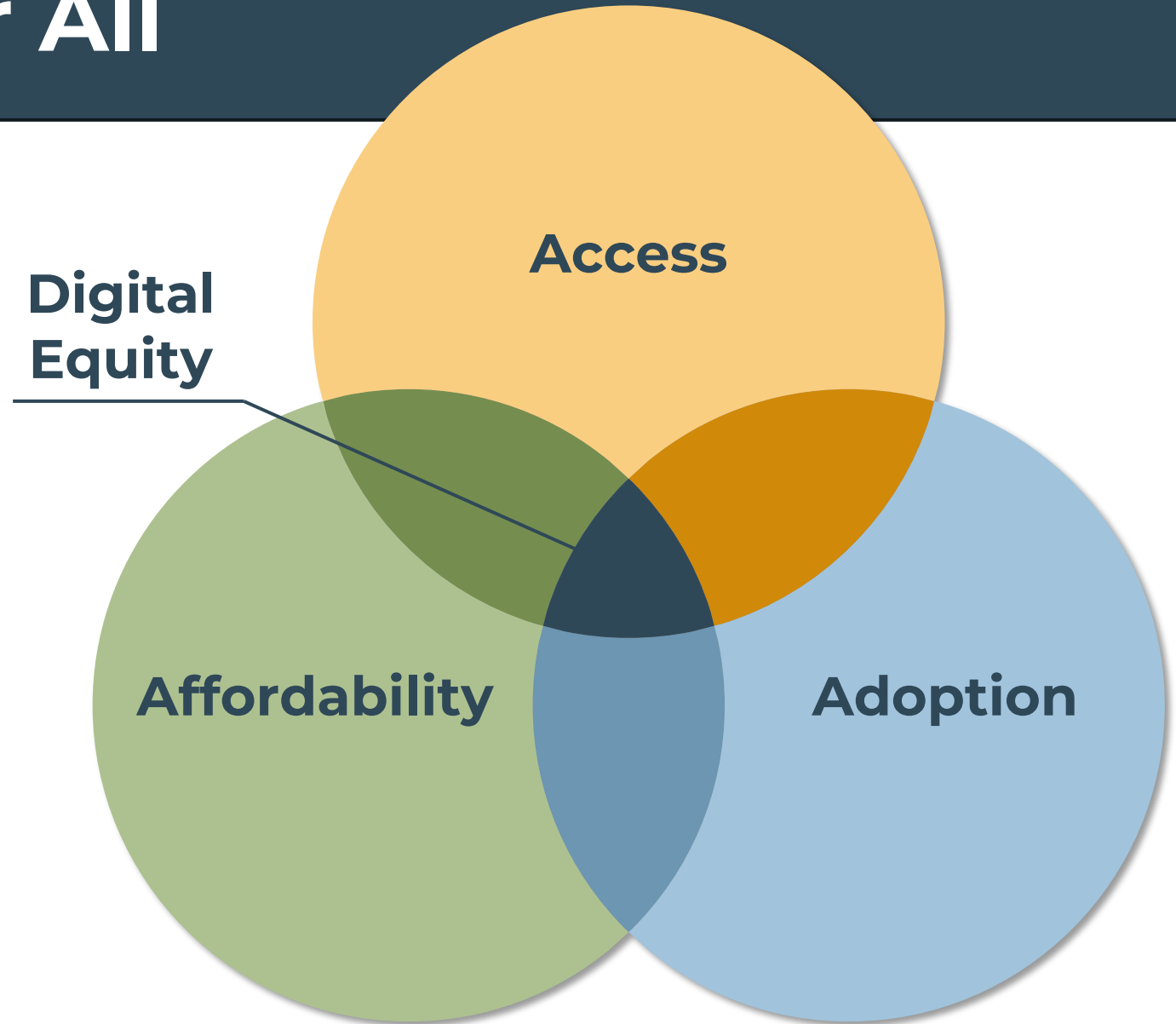
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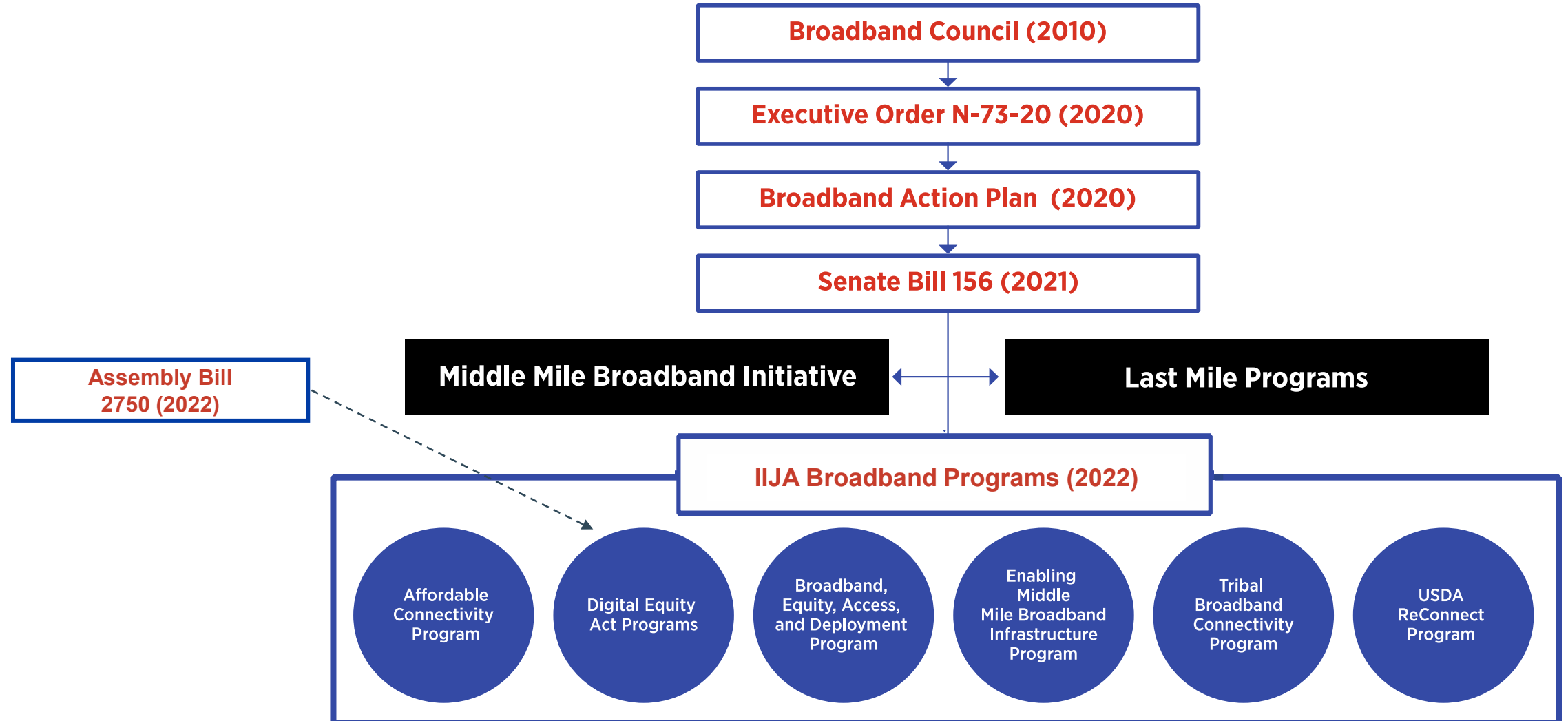
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“Broadband for All is the state’s overarching program to close the digital divide and acknowledges that broadband access, affordability, adoption, and training are essential components of digital equity.”

[-Broadband for All Action Plan](#)



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BB4All Action Plan: Permitting

Action Item 6: CDT to explore various actions to enhance permitting processes at all levels of government through meaningful partnerships.

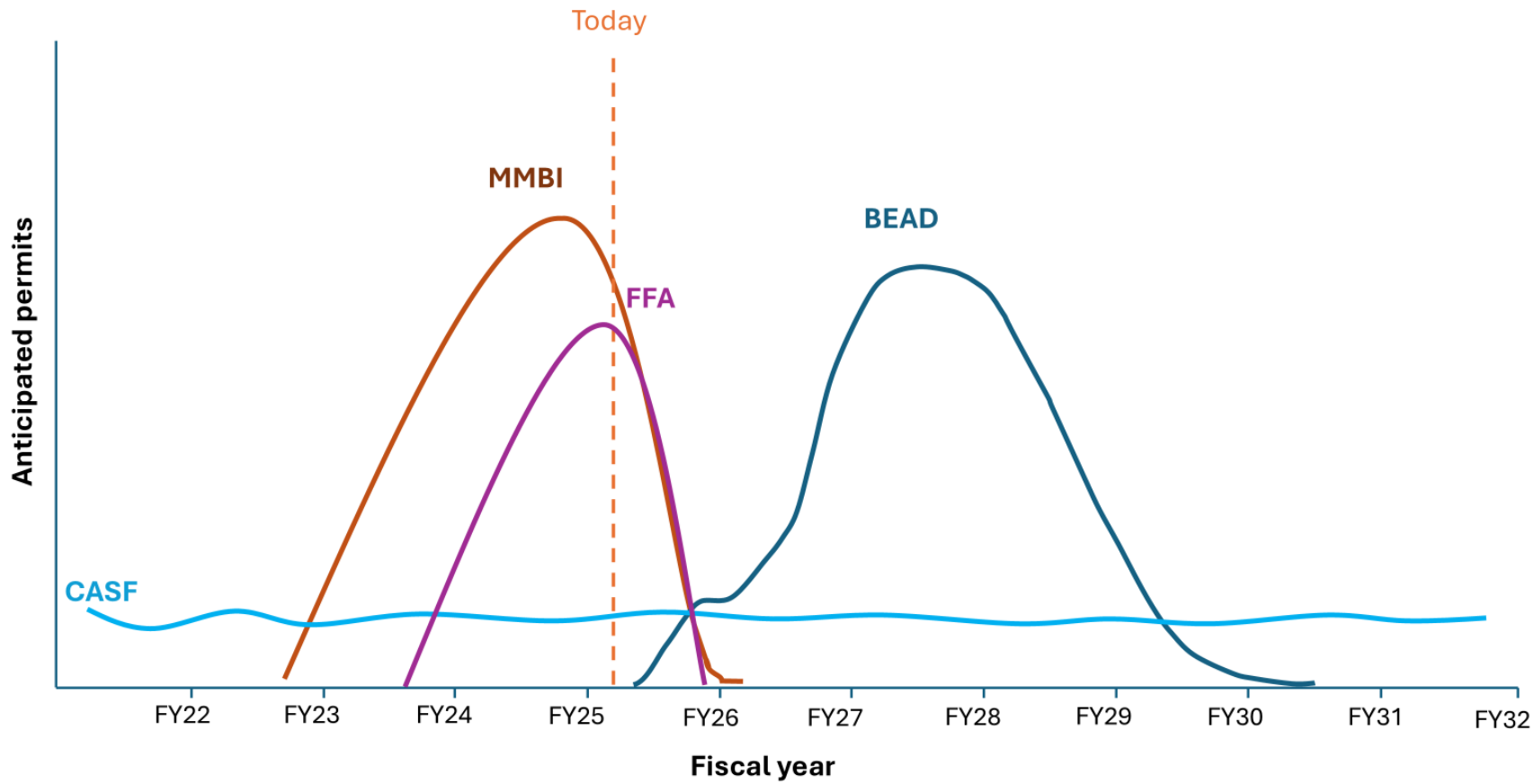
Local: Developed California [local jurisdiction broadband deployment and permitting playbook](#), had roundtables with local jurisdictions.

State: Established programmatic permitting agreements and provided funding resources to state agencies for middle mile staffing prioritization.

Federal: Signed Letter of Intent with federal permitting agencies to support broadband permitting approaches to benefit Middle Mile Broadband Network.

In 2022 revised the action item to include other key parties, GO Biz, CETF, CDOT

California Permitting Load Projections



BEAD	Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment, administered by the CPUC
CASF	California Advanced Services Fund, administered by the CPUC
FFA	Last Mile Federal Funding Account, administered by the CPUC
MMBI	Middle-Mile Broadband Initiative, administered by CDT

Enhancing Permitting Processes

Smart practice 1A:

Developing and sharing information about relevant permitting and processes

Action: Developing clear construction design standards and regularly updating the standards with industry and expert input

Action: Developing a telecommunications permitting manual

Action: Publishing permit timeline expectations and metrics

Action: Creating a mechanism for receiving feedback from applicants on the application process

*Pg 60 Broadband Permitting Playbook

Smart practice 1B:

Optimizing permitting for broadband projects

Action: Establishing a single point of contact for broadband permitting

Action: Developing an online permitting portal

Action: Creating a dedicated telecommunications permit


Action: Leverage a program Environmental Impact Report


Action: Distinguishing between major and minor broadband permits

Action: Developing a batch permitting process

Action: Coordinating permitting policies and procedures among jurisdictions in the region

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Broadband planning resources

We face complex and deep-rooted challenges to delivering Broadband for All. It will require partnerships with and support from the broadband industry and federal, local, and tribal governments. You may be developing a plan, carrying out that plan, or in the many stages in between. To help, we've gathered some tools as you work to expand broadband access and narrow the digital divide in your community.

Included here are:

- Resources and toolkits specific to broadband planning and implementation
- Digital inclusion plans, initiatives, and best practices
- Digital skills training tools

Portal - Planning Resource Examples

- Federal
 - [NTIA Local Permitting Importance, Challenges, and Strategies](#)
- State
 - [CPUC Resources for Broadband Projects](#)
 - [California Local Jurisdiction Permitting Playbook](#)
- Local
 - [Getting Connected: A Resource Guide for Local and Regional Government Leaders](#)



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