

“Broadband, Cable Franchise Agreements & Wireless Tower Permitting”

May 10, 2018

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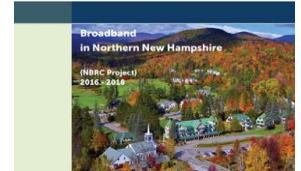
Common Man Inn & Spa, 231 Main St, Plymouth, NH 03264

3:30pm – 5:00pm

*Please join us for a **free** meeting/workshop to talk about broadband issues in NH, including access and use, negotiating renewals of cable television franchises, and telecommunications law as it pertains to wireless facilities and managing the approval processes.*

The agenda includes:

- I. **Broadband Overview (20min)**
 - A. **Current Broadband Availability** – Fay Rubin, GRANIT Project Director, UNH, will provide an update on the status of broadband availability based on FCC mapping data, and will highlight New Hampshire Broadband Mapping & Planning Program (NHBMP) efforts in the region.



- B. **Broadband Technologies** – Dr. Scott Valcourt, Director of Strategic Technology, UNH, will review fiber-based and wireless technologies necessary for building and connecting to high speed Internet networks and services. He will also provide a brief update on NH FirstNet and the NH School Connectivity Initiative (NHSCI) projects.



- II. **Cable TV Franchises/Maximizing Opportunities for Municipalities (30min)**



Attorney Katherine B. Miller, Partner at DTC Lawyers, will address options for negotiating additional build-out of cable TV systems to provide broadband to homes and businesses in unserved or underserved areas.



- III. **Wireless Broadband/Permitting Towers and Antennae (30min)**



Attorney Justin L. Pasay, Non-Equity Partner at DTC Lawyers, will present an overview of evolving state and federal laws on permitting cell towers, and opportunities for more flexibly locating wireless antennae on a variety of structures to reduce impacts on communities and enhance broadband deployment.



Please also join us for light refreshments and networking following the event