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# Middle-Mile Advisory Committee

**August 19, 2022**





# AGENDA

- Welcome
- Executive Report
- Project Updates
- Public Comment

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Middle Mile Broadband Initiative

California Department of Technology

# MMBI Progress on Statewide Network



## Recap

- **Proceeding with execution phase**
- **Permitting Summit**
- **Contractor forums**

## Updates

- **Statewide – CDT**
- **Stakeholder Engagement – CDT**
- **Build Efforts – Caltrans**
- **Core Network Backbone Design – GoldenStateNet**
- **Last Mile Coordination – CPUC**

## Coming up

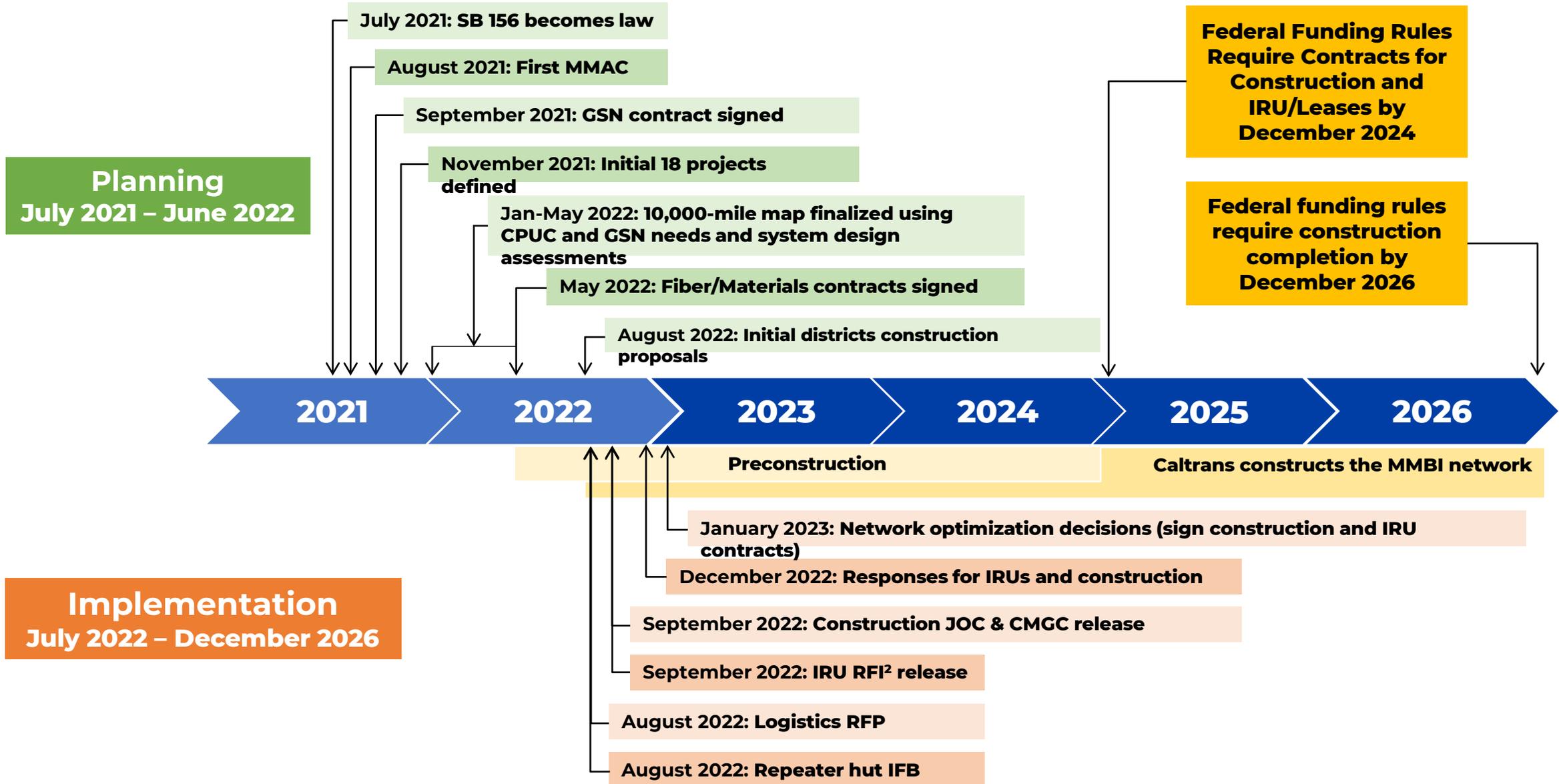
- **Market Research – CDT**

## Recap

- **Continuation of execution phase**
  - **Caltrans continues build efforts**
    - **Preconstruction/permitting streamlining**
    - **Initial construction contracts proposed by districts**
    - **Development of broader, systemwide construction contracting approaches.**
  - **GSN developing core network backbone**
- **Permitting Summits**
  - **Streamlining processes & resources.**
- **Contractor forums**
  - **Alternative contracting methods**



# MMBI Project Timeline



# MMBI Statewide Update

## **Logistics Contract** *Bid in August*

- **Receive bids by September**
- **Work with construction contractors and suppliers**
- **Plan for storage and/or direct delivery**
- **Timing and location of materials delivery consistent with ongoing MMBI construction**

## **Construction Contracts** *Bid in September*

- **Receive bids by December 2022**
- **Estimated dozen large contracts**
- **Get bids on more than 75 percent of the overall network**
- **Inform updated cost model**
- **Allow earlier decisions regarding optimizing the network relative to available funding.**

## **Lease (IRU) Contract** *Bid in September*

- **Receive bids by December 2022**
- **Market research on what existing infrastructure the private sector will make available, and at what price**
- **Comparison between building and leasing to optimize the entire network**
- **Informs updated cost model**
- **Allows earlier decisions regarding optimizing the network relative to available funding.**
- **May provide for earlier connections for last mile providers**



## Market Research

- **Market sounding on the demand for broadband**
- **Business plan for ongoing maintenance and operation**

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## Stakeholder Outreach

- **North State Planning and Development Collective – 4th Annual Broadband Summit**
- **LA Deal – Local Solutions Advancing Digital Equity**
- **NTIA Digital Equity Team Listening Sessions**
  - **Fresno**
  - **Oakland**
  - **San Francisco**

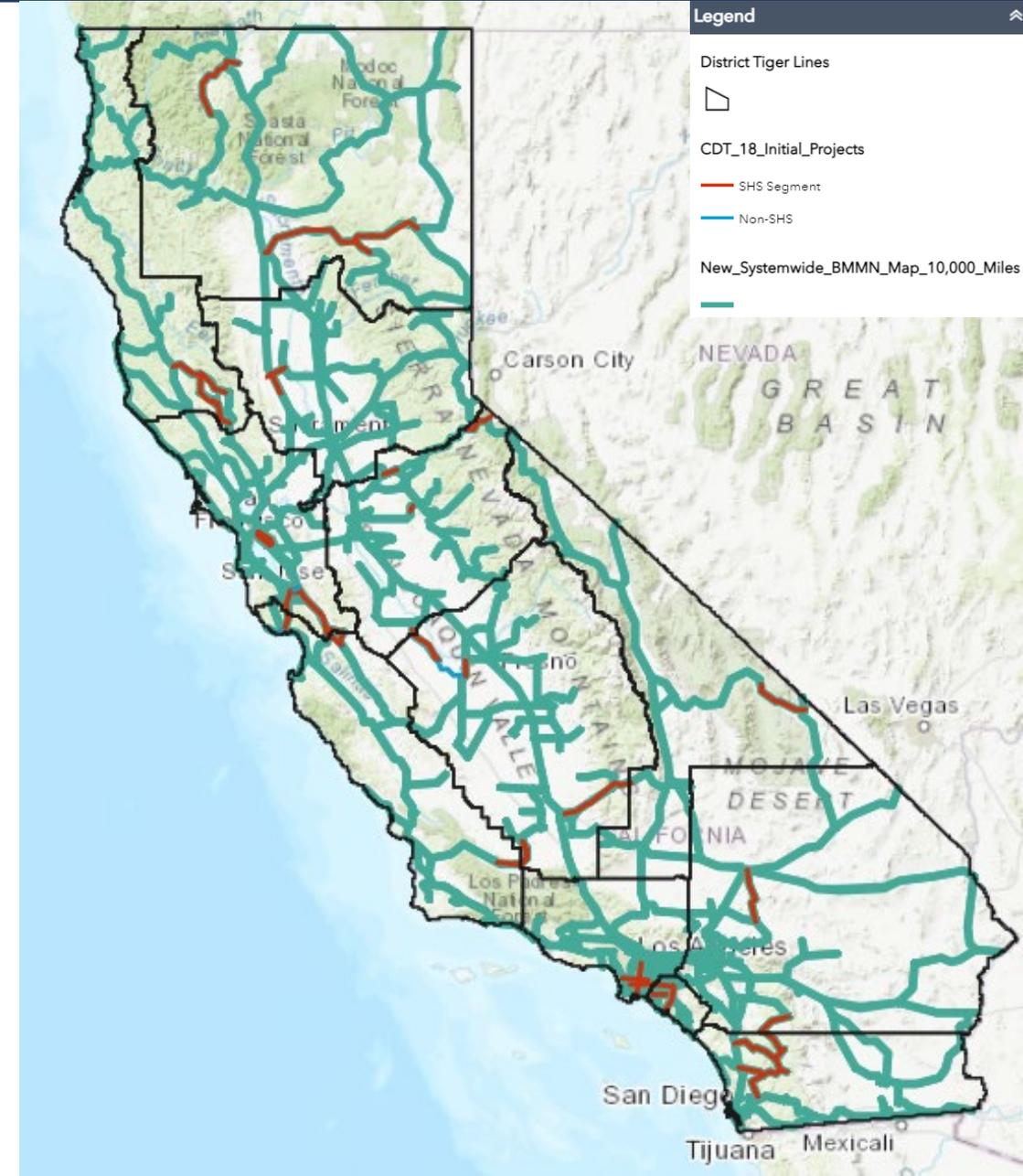
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**Division Chief**

**California Department of Transportation**

## Project Delivery Update

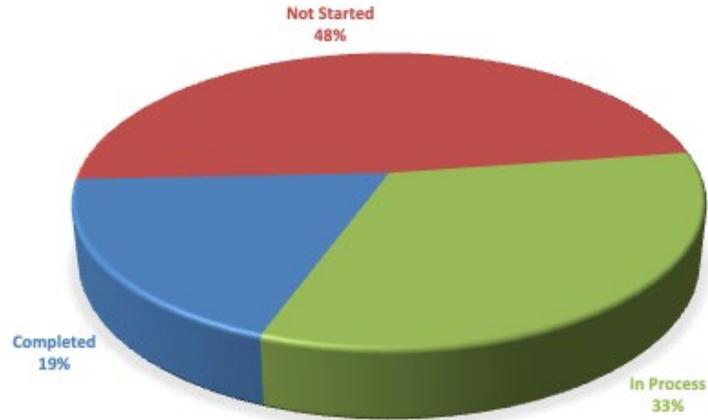
- **Over 2,000 miles of projects proposed, construction by early 2023.**
- **On-going efforts to streamline permitting and right-of-way/use agreement.**
- **Status of Initial 18:**
  - **3 project segments moving to construction.**
  - **Remaining segments in planning and preconstruction/permitting process.**
  - **Supporting IRU/leases being explored.**



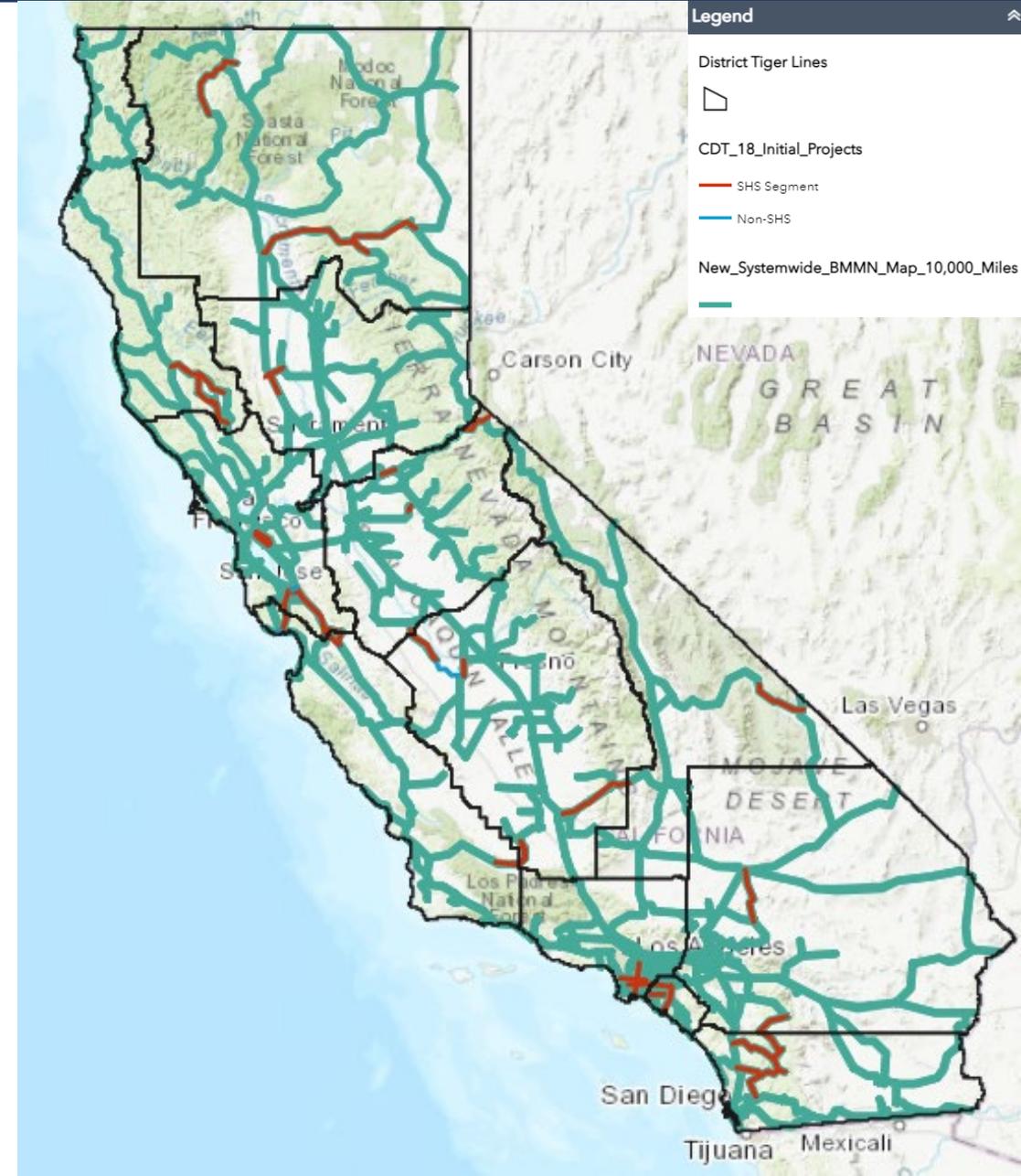
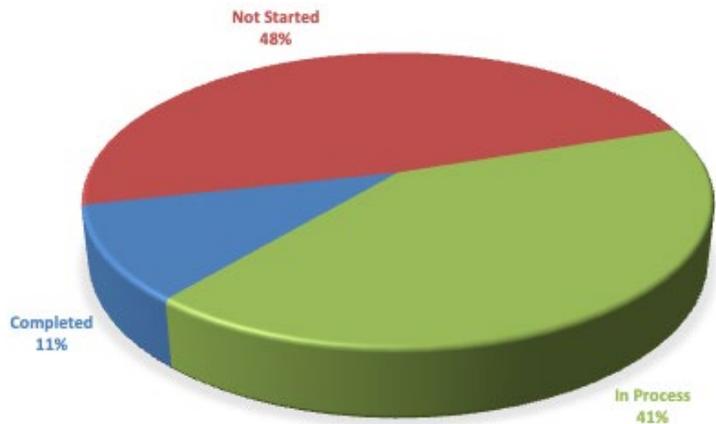
# Project Delivery – Update

## Preconstruction status on entire 10,000-mile MMBI network provided in May

PHASE 0 - ENVIRONMENTAL AND PERMITTING - STATEWIDE

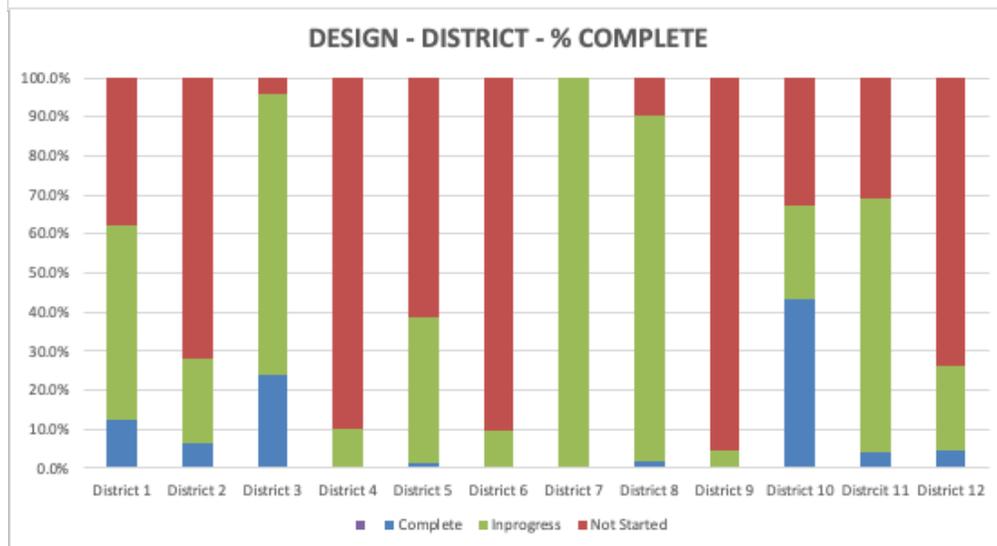
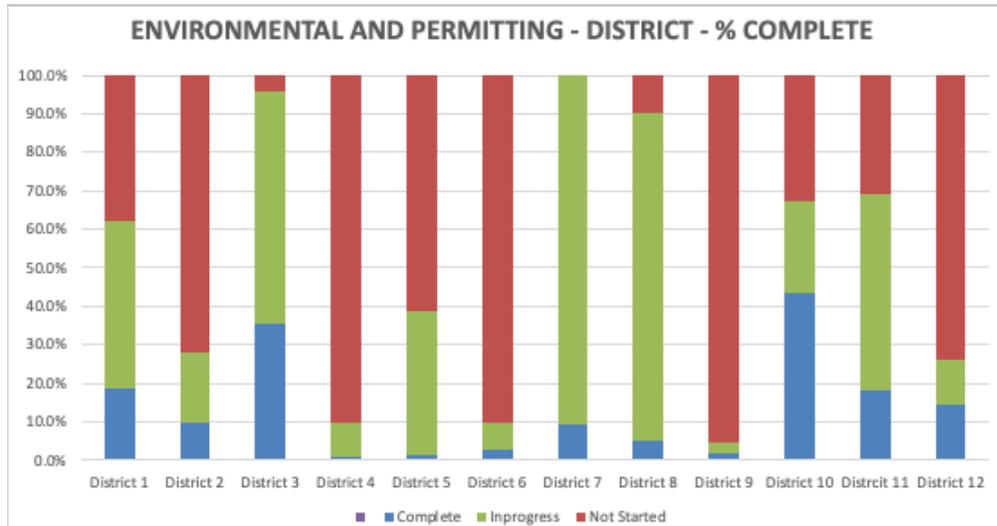


PHASE 1 - DESIGN - STATEWIDE



# Project Delivery Updates

## Preconstruction status on the 10,000 miles by Caltrans district.

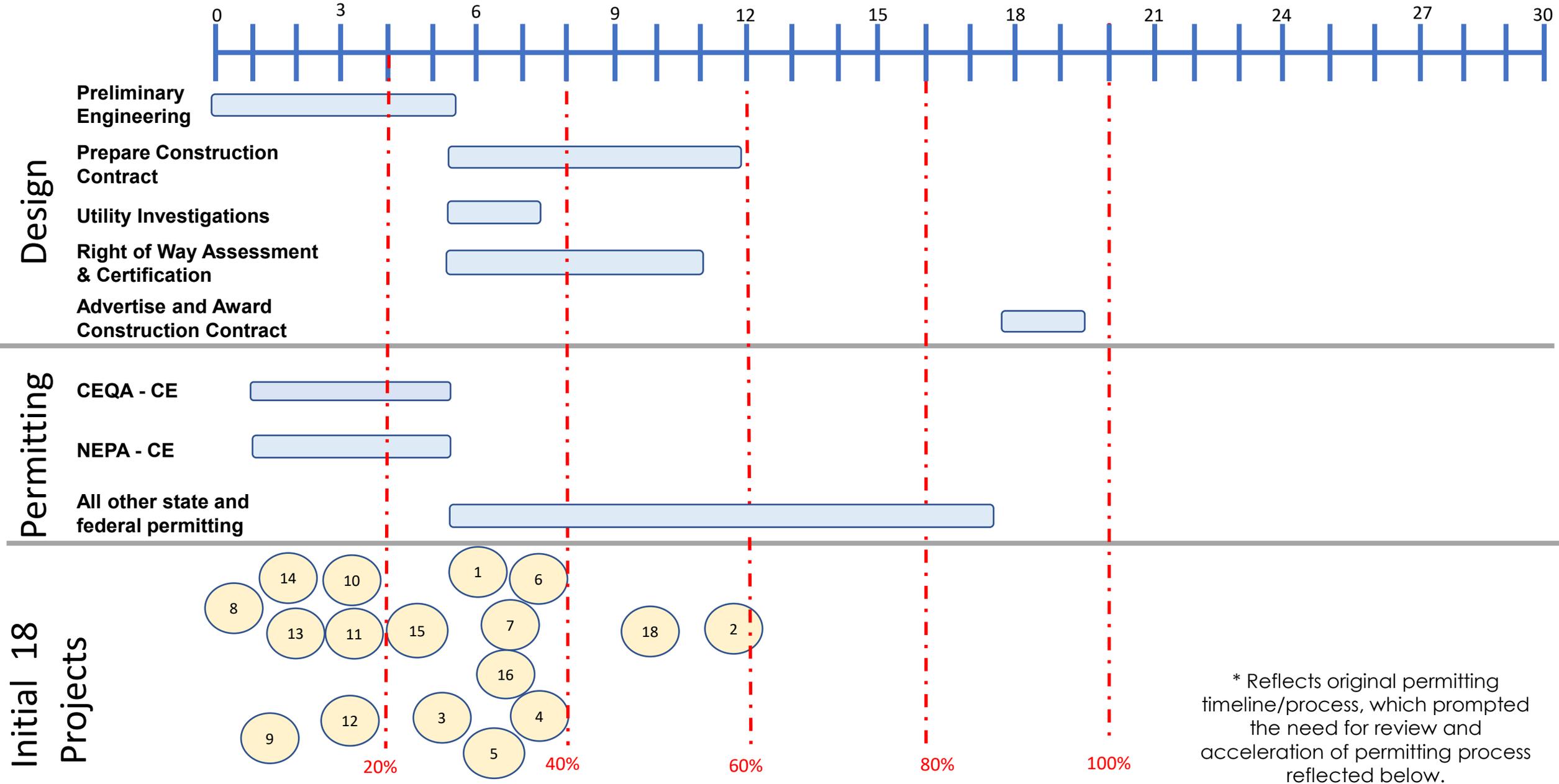


## Dig Smart Opportunities



Dig Smart	Initial 18 MMBI Locations (~855 miles)		Non-Initial 18 MMBI Locations (~9,040 miles)		Total MMBI Network (~9,986 miles)	
	Number of Viable Projects	Miles of Fiber	Number of Viable Projects	Miles of Fiber	Number of Viable Projects	Miles of Fiber
Starting in 2022	3	22	10	68	13	90
Starting in 2023	9	88	12	146	21	234
Under Evaluation	0	0	55	198	55	343
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>667</b>

# Caltrans Complete Preconstruction – Initial 18 Projects (in months)



\* Reflects original permitting timeline/process, which prompted the need for review and acceleration of permitting process reflected below.

# Project Delivery Updates

Preliminary list of projects\* using CMGC and JOC\*\* to build as much as 2,000 miles or 20% of the entire network. CDT is working with Caltrans to develop these as part of a broader potential construction contracting effort this fall.

	Counties	Delivery Method	Mileage	Target Advertise Date	Target Award Date
Districts 8 & 11	San Diego, Riverside	CMGC	<b>132 miles</b>	July 2022 <i>(advertised)</i>	October 2022
District 10	San Joaquin, Stanislaus	JOC	<b>63 miles</b>	August 2022	October 2022
District 10	Calaveras, Merced	CMGC	<b>95 miles</b>	August 2022	December 2022
District 8	San Bernardino, Riverside	CMGC	<b>982 miles</b>	September 2022	January 2023
District 8	San Bernardino, Riverside	JOC	<b>238 miles</b>	November 2022	December 2022
District 6	Kern, Fresno, Merced	JOC	<b>48 miles</b>	November 2022	January 2023
District 7	Los Angeles, Ventura, Orange	JOC	<b>581 miles</b>	July 2023	September 2023

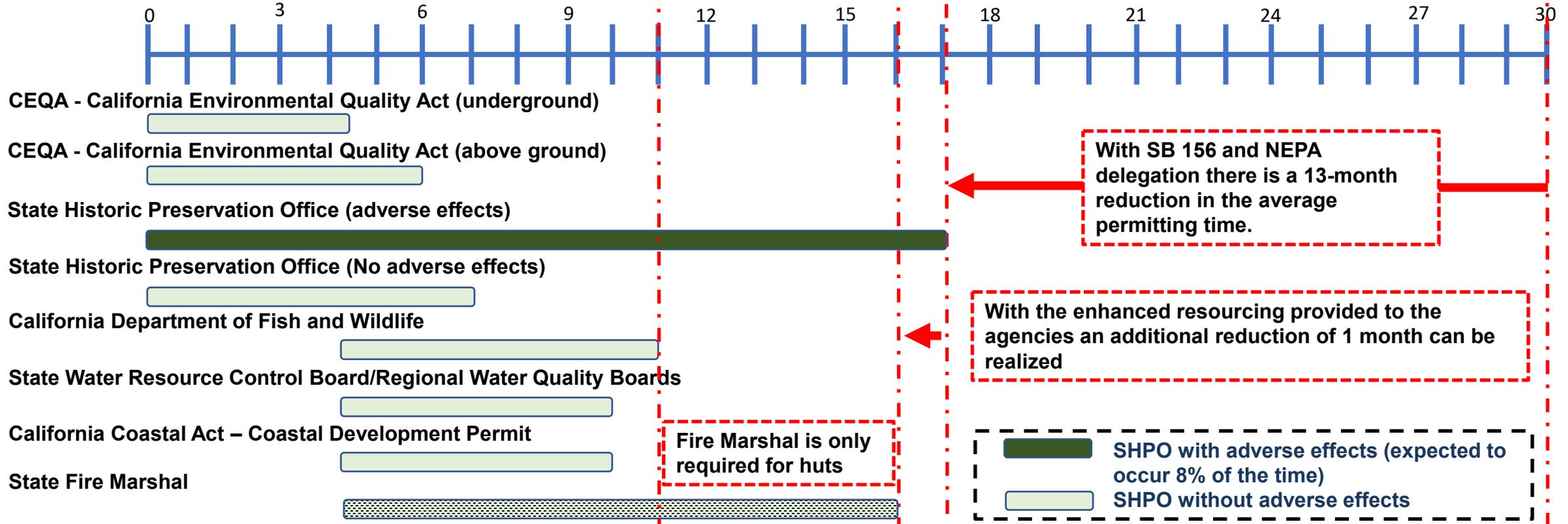
\* All projects are subject to the Caltrans/CDT budget approval process.

\*\*Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC)

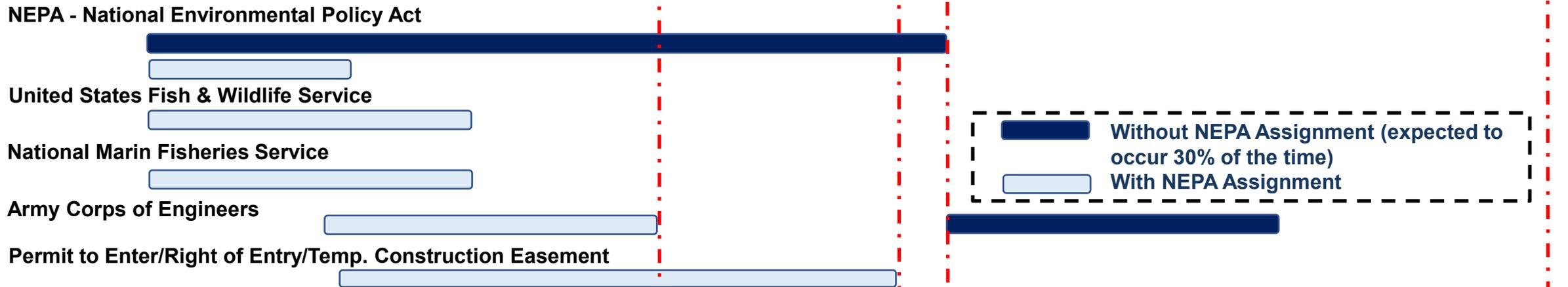
Job Order Contracting (JOC)

# More Resources Helping to Streamline Processing Timelines

State Permitting



Fed. Permitting



# **Tony Naughtin**

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## Submitted core network backbone design to CDT, including:

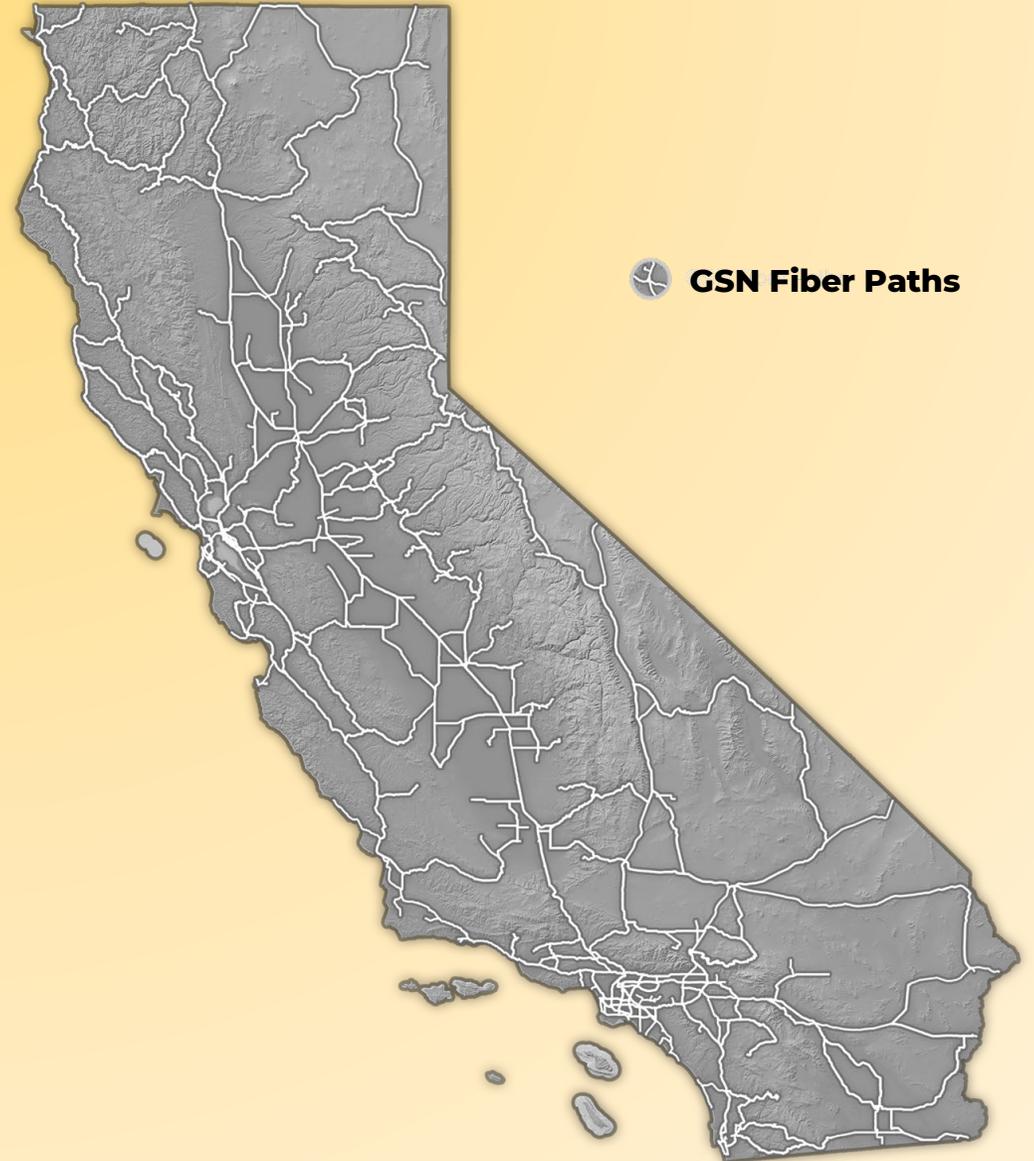
- **Core backbone routes**
- **Recommended locations for initial 13 Regional Exchange Points (RXPs)**
- **Access to major Internet Points of Presence (PoPs) for access to global Internet core**



# GoldenStateNet Core Backbone Fiber Paths

In order to understand how to meet these goals, it is helpful to think of the network as something other than an undifferentiated mass of fiber such as in the figure to the right:

- A *core* or *backbone* network, a central ring or rings from which other parts of the network extend.
- Traffic that enters the network from any point will flow toward the backbone, where it will be forwarded to the appropriate destination.
- The backbone generally has higher capacity than other parts of the network, because essentially all traffic, wherever it enters the network, will eventually flow over the backbone.



# GoldenStateNet Backbone Fiber Path

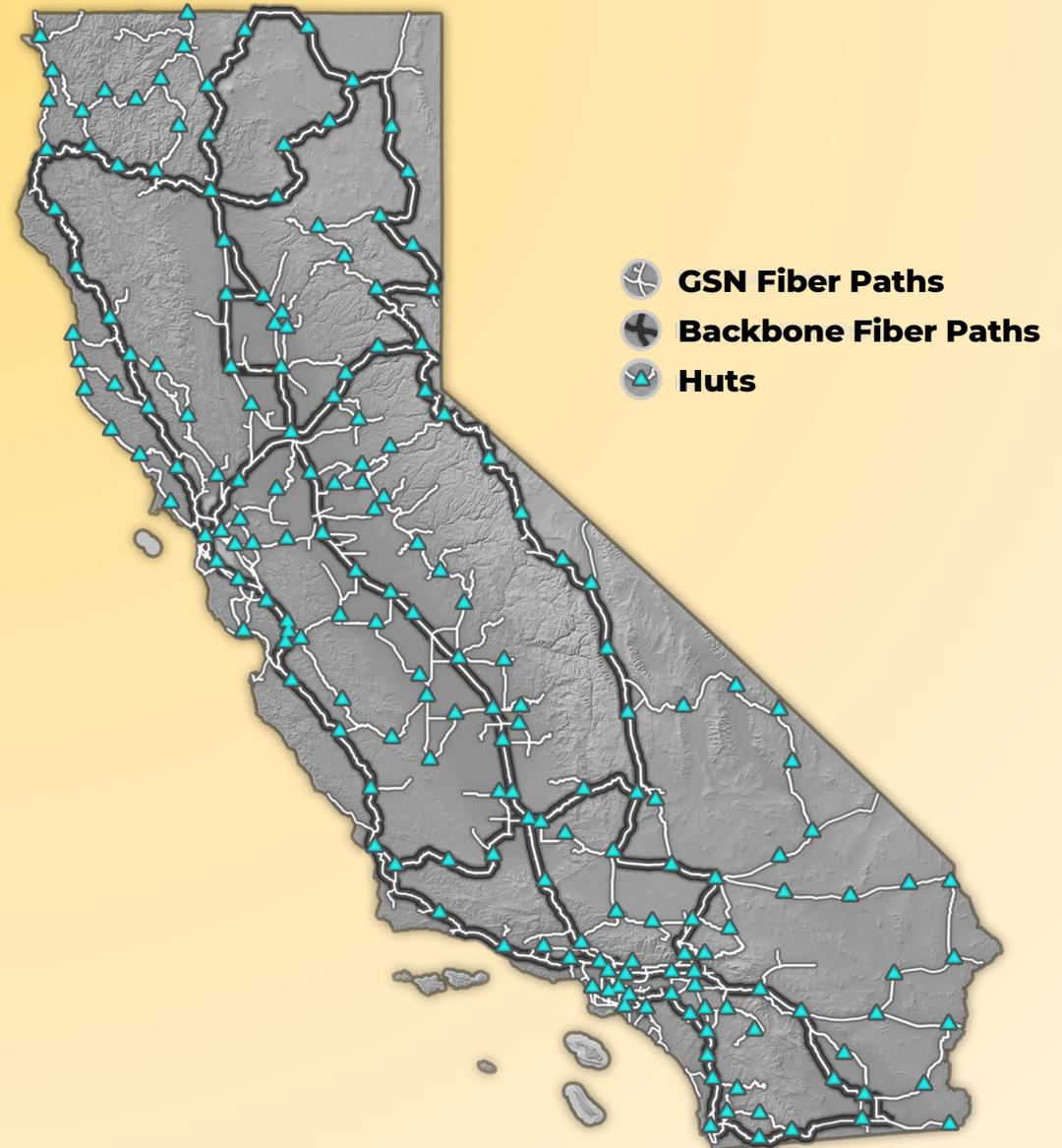
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# GoldenStateNet Backbone Fiber Paths and Huts

## A subset of fiber paths as backbone:

- **With backbone routing equipment in key cities along the proposed backbone paths.**
- **Lower capacity equipment in other huts along the backbone**
- **Still lower capacity equipment on spurs, or non-backbone paths**



# GoldenStateNet Regional Exchange Points and Internet Points of Presence

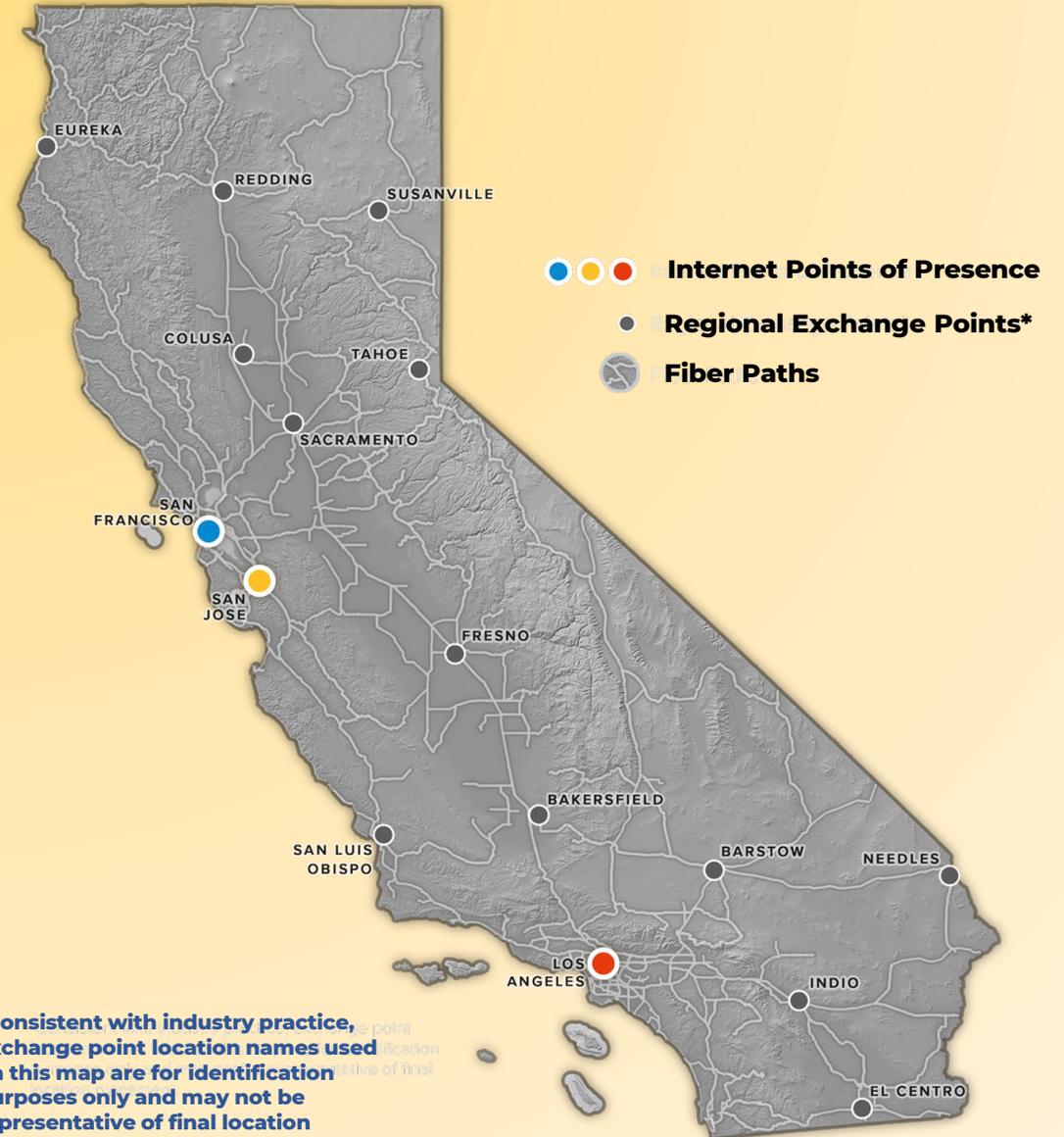
## The selection of fiber paths involves many factors:

- The primary driving consideration is access to:
  - **Regional Exchange Points**
  - **Internet points of presence for access to global core**
- Also focus on:
  - **Resiliency**
  - **Latency**
  - **Proximity to unserved and underserved communities**

Key cities for backbone equipment are chosen for their proximity to Regional Exchange Points and Internet Points of Presence.

**Regional Exchange Points** are locations where GoldenStateNet has access to other California-based networks for local traffic exchange.

These are to be placed in strategic locations throughout the state.



\*Consistent with industry practice, exchange point location names used on this map are for identification purposes only and may not be representative of final placement.

# GoldenStateNet Progress Update

**While the work of system development continues, GSN is also looking ahead towards future operational issues:**

- **Evaluation of application systems needed to develop and operate the network with recommendations to CDT to follow for:**
  - **Fiber management system**
  - **Inventory management system**
  - **CRM system**
  - **Billing system**
- **Work continues on:**
  - **ILA hut development processes and standards**
  - **Active electronics planning**
  - **Dark Fiber and joint build opportunities**
  - **Business model opex and revenue projections**



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# Local Agency Technical Assistance

## \$50 Million for Local and Tribal Governments

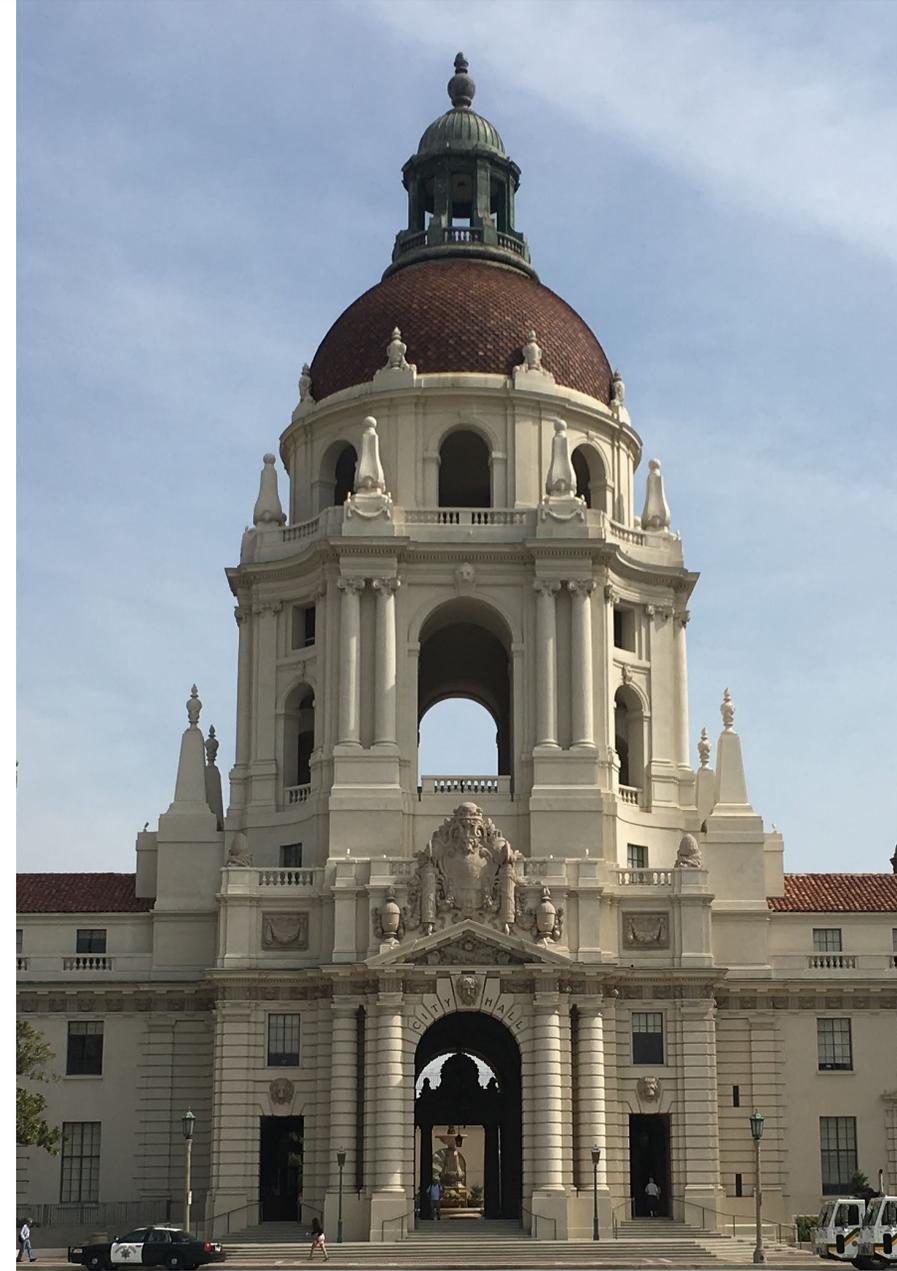
- To facilitate last-mile broadband infrastructure projects
- Supporting local agency and Tribal efforts expanding broadband to families and communities lacking sufficient internet access

## Eligibility

- Application window opened on August 1, 2022
- Broad eligibility includes cities, counties, community service districts, municipal utilities districts, school districts, electrical cooperatives, sovereign tribal governments, and Joint Powers Authorities

## Examples of Local Agency Technical Assistance

- Includes pre-construction costs, environmental, feasibility, and engineering design studies or reports; needs assessments, broadband studies and plans



# California Advanced Services Fund Broadband Grants Received

## Broadband Adoption and Digital Equity

**Grants to public entities and community-based organizations for digital literacy and broadband access projects**

- **On July 1, CPUC received 99 project applications.**

## Consortia

**Regional consortiums of public entities and community-based organizations to help deploy broadband infrastructure and service by assisting California Advanced Services fund infrastructure applicants or potential applicants of new programs created under SB 156 and AB 164 applicants in the project development or grant application process.**

- **On July 15, the CPUC received 15 applications.**

## Public Housing and Low-Income Communities

**Grants to build broadband networks offering free broadband service for residents of low-income communities including but not limited to, publicly supported housing developments, and housing or mobile home parks with low-income residents**

- **On July 1, CPUC received 19 project applications.**

# 2022 Broadband Investment Last-Mile Broadband Initiative Snapshot

	<u>TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE</u>	<u>LOAN LOSS RESERVE FUND</u>	<u>FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNT</u>	<u>CALIFORNIA ADVANCED SERVICES FUND</u>
Amount	<b>\$50 million</b>	<b>\$750 million</b>	<b>\$2 billion</b>	<b>\$150 million per year</b>
Summary	<b>Assist local governments &amp; Tribes to prepare for broadband infrastructure investments.</b>	<b>Enable local governments &amp; nonprofits to secure financing for broadband infrastructure.</b>	<b>Fund last-mile broadband infrastructure projects in every county.</b>	<b>Assist with broadband infrastructure deployment &amp; adoption in public housing, Tribes, &amp; unserved areas.</b>
Target	<b><u>Apply monthly now</u></b>	<b><u>Comment on proposal to be issued in August</u></b>	<b><u>Priority Areas to be released before applications open</u></b>	<b><u>Now accepting Grant Applications</u></b>

# Thank You!



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