

**Carrier of Last Resort Rulemaking  
R.24-06-012**

**Workshop 1: Tribes, Public Safety, Rural Counties, and Other States**

Type: Hybrid (In-person and remote videoconferencing)

Location: Twin Pine Hotel and Casino (Middletown Rancheria), 22223 Highway 29, Middletown, California

Date: April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Time: 10:00am – 3:30pm

**Remote Viewing Information**

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CPUC Commissioner John Reynolds and Commissioner Darcie Houck will moderate panel discussions with California Tribe representatives, public safety officials and first responders, rural county officials, and other states' commissioners, to hear their thoughts on essential communications, including COLR obligations in today's environment, who relies on the communications grid, their experience with COLR requirements, and other topics related to the Carrier of Last Resort Rulemaking (R.24-06-012) to consider changes to the California COLR rules.

**Morning Session**

**Opening Remarks by Commissioners (10-10:15 a.m.)**

- Commissioner John Reynolds
- Commissioner Darcie L. Houck

**Tribal Perspectives (10:20 -11:20 a.m.)**

**Moderator:** Commissioner Darcie L. Houck

**Panelists** (with possible additional panelists pending confirmation)

- Jose (Moke) Simon III, Tribal Chairman, Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California
- James Russ, Tribal Administrator, Round Valley Indian Tribes

**COLR in Other States (11:25 a.m. -12:25 p.m.)**

**Moderator:** Commissioner John Reynolds

**Panelists**

- Randy Brown, Commissioner, Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
- Sean Bennett, Section Manager – Telecommunications, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

- Michael Grant, Administrative Law Judge, Public Utilities Commission of Oregon

**Lunch (12:25-1:30 p.m.)**

**Afternoon Session**

**Public Safety Panel (1:30-2:20 p.m.)**

**Moderator:** Commissioner Darcie L. Houck

**Panelists** (with possible additional panelists pending confirmation)

- Matthew Kendall, Sheriff, Mendocino County
- Paul Troxel, 9-1-1 Branch Manager, California Governor's Office of Emergency Services

**Rural County Officials (2:25-3:15 p.m.)**

**Moderator:** Commissioner John Reynolds

**Panelists**

- Jeff Griffiths, Supervisor, Inyo County
- Sue Hoek, Supervisor, Nevada County
- Ray Mueller, Supervisor, San Mateo County
- Jessica Pyska, Supervisor, Lake County

**Closing Comments from Commissioners (3:15-3:30 p.m.)**

- Commissioner John Reynolds
- Commissioner Darcie L. Houck