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**INFORMATIONAL WEBINAR FOR TRIBAL SPECTRUM LICENSEES**

**Webinar will be held at 2:00 pm ET on January 7, 2021**

The Federal Communications Commission’s Office of Native Affairs and Policy and the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau will hold an informational webinar for Tribal spectrum licensees who are seeking to provide advanced wireless communications services on their rural Tribal lands.

 This free two-hour webinar will focus on the use of spectrum and maintenance of wireless service licenses to give Tribal officials and staff an understanding of factors to consider in network design and background on FCC spectrum license requirements. This webinar may be of particular interest to Tribal entities that applied for licenses to use 2.5 GHz spectrum through the Commission’s Rural Tribal Priority Window.[[1]](#footnote-3)

 The first hour of the webinar will include an overview of network engineering considerations for broadband and other advanced communications services, with a focus on 2.5 GHz, 3.5 GHz, and unlicensed spectrum. During the second hour, attendees will learn about the obligations and duties of Commission licensees, with special emphasis on the legal and technical requirements applicable to Tribal entities receiving licenses in the 2.5 GHz band through the Rural Tribal Priority Window, including applicable buildout and service obligations.

 The webinar will take place from **2:00 pm to 4:00 pm Eastern Time, on Thursday, January 7, 2021**.

 To register, please send an email with your name, contact information and Tribal affiliation to JanuaryWebinar@fcc.gov. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email with the link for the webinar.

 The event will be webcast with open captioning. Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Send an email to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice). Please include a description of the accommodation you will need and tell us how to contact you. Requests for special accommodation should be made as early as possible. Last minute requests will be accepted but may be impossible to fill.

 For questions about the webinar, please send an email to native@fcc.gov.

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1. The Federal Communications Commission established the 2.5 GHz Rural Tribal Priority Window as a unique opportunity for Tribes in rural areas to directly access unassigned spectrum over their Tribal lands, subject to buildout requirements. *See, e.g.,* *Transforming the 2.5 GHz Band*, Report & Order, 34 FCC Rcd 5447 (2019). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)