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| Dear Fellow Rural Caucus Members (and allies), Thank you to all who attended our Virtual Caucus. I loved “seeing” you and it was great to see that the Rural Caucus is as engaged as ever. For me, the big learnings were: * How far behind we are in Census 2020 and what we can do to help.
* New ways of electioneering, i.e. virtual campaigning. It was very interesting to hear how two of our candidates, Ellizabeth Betancourt and Audrey Denny, are adapting.
* There are now two wildfire insurance bills that need to be reconciled and get passed and signed into law. Now is the time to activate the relationships you have with your state senator and assembly member to make sure they understand the importance of this issue and make it a priority.
* We must remain mindful of PG&E as the bankruptcy proceedings barrel along.
* We absolutely must get something meaningful done on broadband.
* We should all thank Gavin Newsom for his tremendous leadership.

I was very pleased and proud to be asked to write a letter to the Governor, on behalf of the Caucus, which you can [read here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001SnroaMbrXPGHjzFfPwTDY5WznCtrxcmdaiUMV0-iWodZ1v3aHr1XfRCCyTv5CaG41rQ0woVcm6LDKnLqMPMTYYq3m7nOzYFgKKV6smEZKuFfkW-nc5--wtSJL3KGbn0Mkz_1lsAO0gVudZ_RSR-aHc9AVnT2MPzkaPwLNVjVB-tWNA7rZYLZ5PAjuTr8N6rlDDS6qpc1bUkB89vZHCiXSQ==&c=ADYR3wJPR6mbAzOE1KrgBu2z1YbP1_1MCiWkddP2gSxsOFFNo9-iNg==&ch=Xxa0S0dTxYVK3jBvzxjdAkABoIQHgoa63lAZv8Q3LlKTOVYqGVspBQ==), plus the excellent reports from Legislation Advocate Phil Grosse, Northern Regional Chair and candidate Elizabeth Betancourt, Treasurer Lise Talbott, Central Coast Regional Chair Glenn Glazer and Water Policy Discussion Group Chair Mike Smith in our spring [**Letter to the Caucus**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001SnroaMbrXPGHjzFfPwTDY5WznCtrxcmdaiUMV0-iWodZ1v3aHr1XfRCCyTv5CaG4SMrF59nveCk7H8bNJZ2FMmCkrgPT6tcB1k17MvJ4tEJ1eZdZ-BQKrV4_QIkIjIsuc2om3wplF1LuaTL-V3s7KpHmmvvdmlTIL22aD6J6K3Hekua7v0l3bhkNIDv1X4SJdUo7ImCjAaYfMKm1Wxqcvo-SEmtasJROTJQHXYeIsEM=&c=ADYR3wJPR6mbAzOE1KrgBu2z1YbP1_1MCiWkddP2gSxsOFFNo9-iNg==&ch=Xxa0S0dTxYVK3jBvzxjdAkABoIQHgoa63lAZv8Q3LlKTOVYqGVspBQ==). ﻿Stay healthy! Joy  |

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