# Leveraging In-State Data Storage & Computing Improved Speed and Quality at Reduced Cost

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## **Why This Matters Now**

- Massive data growth: AI, IoT, and automation needs are exploding
- Centralized cloud solutions are no longer ideal for everything
- Local solutions = strategic advantage

#### The Challenge with the Cloud

- High latency over long distances
- Expensive egress and bandwidth costs
- Data privacy & sovereignty risks
- Vulnerable to disruptions in connectivity

#### **Benefits of Local Infrastructure**

- Speed: Data is closer to users/devices = low latency
- Quality: More reliable, real-time performance
- Cost: Avoid egress fees, reduce transport costs

#### Deeper Dive - Speed & Performance

- Reduced latency = better user experience
- Critical for edge workloads like AI, video analytics, and remote monitoring
- Local processing = faster decision-making

# Quality & Reliability

- Fewer points of failure
- Optimized for specific local needs
- Enhances service delivery in rural or remote areas

## **Cost Efficiency**

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#### **Use Cases**

- Cordova, Alaska: Micro-data center supporting local utility with edge compute
- Healthcare/Telemedicine: Faster diagnostics via local AI compute
- Smart Grids: Real-time management and predictive maintenance

## **Vision & Opportunity**

- Build a resilient, self-reliant data ecosystem
- Partner with utilities, governments, and private sector
- Lead the future of sustainable, localized infrastructure

#### **Build the Future - IN ALASKA!**

- Support local infrastructure initiatives
- Explore hybrid strategies: edge + cloud
- Let's connect: collaboration is the next step

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