



CHALLENGE ALERT!

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BEAD Map Challenge Process

Key Dates

March 01, 2024: Challenge Process Map published and Portal available for registration

March 15 – May 14: Challenge Submission Window (60 days)

Rebuttal Process: ISPs will have 15 days from notification of a Challenge to provide a rebuttal

May 15 – June 30: Final Determinations will be made within 30 days of the Challenge Rebuttal

❖ **Challenge Process Submission Starts and Rebuttal Starts on a Rolling Basis**

Eligible Challengers

- Non-Profits
- Tribal Governments
- Local Governments
- Broadband Service Providers

Allowable Challenges

- BEAD eligibility. These include challenges to:
 - Availability
 - Speed
 - Data Cap
 - Latency
 - Technology
 - Business service only
- Enforceable Commitments
- **Planned or Existing Service deployed by June 30, 2024**
- Identification of eligible Community Anchor Institutions
- Community Anchor Institution BEAD eligibility determination

Submission Process

- Request a free CostQuest License
- The two license tiers available for the BEAD Challenge Process are:
 - **Tier D:** For entities that participate in any federal broadband programs. Licensees will be similar to those with an FCC Fabric Tier 2 license. Please follow the guide for [requesting a TIER D License](#)
 - **Tier E:** For entities that will challenge “Pass Through Entity” coverage maps (i.e. the CBO). Licensees will be similar to those with an FCC Fabric Tier 4 license. Please follow the guide for [requesting a TIER E License](#)
- Register for an account at [Challenge Process Portal](#)
- Selection of type and location of challenge
- Submission of evidence
 - File uploads
 - Narrative support
- Notification to challenged entities
- Rebuttal submission (if necessary)

Links & Contacts

- [Overview of the Challenge Process](#)
- [Arizona Broadband Navigator User Guide](#)
- [Arizona Challenge Process Map](#)
- [Challenge Process Portal](#)
- Office Hours: Tuesdays from 1:00pm-3:00pm (AZ Time) [Reserve Office Hours Time Slot](#)
- For policy or procedural questions, contact: broadband@azcommerce.com
- For technical assistance, contact: broadband@azcommerce.com

- Opportunity Evaluation
- Effective Grant Writing
- A Track Record of Success