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Funding Amount: $416 million

APPLICATION

Program Details

Program Name: Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program (BEAD)
Administrator: Nevada Governor's Office of Science, Innovation and Technology (OSIT)
Match Requirement: 25% Match required

Key Dates

- **July 8, 2025 –** Benefit of the Bargain Round Application cycle opens
- **July 17, 2025 –** Benefit of the Bargain Round Application cycle closes at 5:00 p.m. PDT

Eligible Projects

- Projects deploying qualifying last-mile broadband infrastructure to unserved 25/3 Mbps or less and underserved between 25/3 and 100/20 Mbps locations

Eligible Applicants

- Cooperatives
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Private Companies
- Public or Private Utilities
- Public Utility Districts
- Local Governments

Eligible Areas

- Eligible Areas are determined by the OSIT

Eligible Costs

- Construction, improvement, and/or acquisition of facilities and telecommunications equipment, including infrastructure for backhaul, middle and last-mile networks, and MDUs
- Long-term leases of facilities to provide qualifying broadband service, including IRUs
- Deployment of internet and Wi-Fi within an eligible MDU
- Network software upgrades
- Engineering design, permitting, and work related to environmental, historical, and cultural reviews
- Personnel costs, including salaries and fringe benefits for staff and consultants
- Training for cybersecurity professionals working on BEAD-funded networks
- Workforce development including registered apprenticeships, pre-apprenticeships,community college and/or vocational training for broadband-related occupations

Selection Criteria

Determination of Priority Broadband Project vs Non-Priority Broadband Project

- **Primary Scoring**: Applications within the same project area, the application with the lowest grant request will be selected

- **Secondary Scoring**: Applicants within 15% of the lowest grant request for the same application area, the following scoring will be applied

Speed to Deployment (Up to 5 points):
   o Project complete in 36 months

Speed of Network (Up to 85 points):

   o **85 points** – ≥ 10 Gbps ≥ 10 Gbps
   o **75 points** - ≥ 5 Gbps and < 10 Gbps ≥ 5 Gbps and < 10 Gbps
   o **50 points** - ≥ 1 Gbps and < 5 Gbps ≥ 1 Gbps and < 5 Gbps
   o **25 points** - ≥ 100 Mbps and < 1 Gbps ≥ 100 Mbps and < 1 Gbps
   o **15 points** - ≥ 100 Mbps ≥50 Mbps and < 100 Mbps
   o **0 points** - ≥ 100 Mbps < 50 Mbps

Preliminary Provisional Awardees (Up to 10 points):

   o **10 points** for projects that received preliminary award in the previous round

Application Process

- Prequalified applicants must apply through OSIT's Amplifund portal

Links & Contacts

- Nevada BotB Application Materials
- Submit questions to: highspeednv@gov.nv.gov