



BEAD Map Challenge Process

Key Dates

April 23, 2024: Map publication

April 30 – May 25, 2024: Challenge Submission Window (25 days)

TBD: Rebuttal Submission Window (30 days)

TBD: Validation of Results (30 days)

Eligible Challengers

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

Allowable Challenges

- BEAD eligibility. These include challenges to:
 - Availability
 - 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 at [BEAD Challenge Process \(tn.gov\)](#)
- Selection of type and location of challenge
- Submission of evidence
 - File uploads
 - Narrative support
- Notification to challenged entities
- Rebuttal submission (if necessary)

Links & Contacts

- [TN BEAD Challenge Process Main Page](#)
- [TN Broadband Office Home Page](#)
- [TN Broadband Accessibility Map](#)
- For questions, contact: ECD.Communications.Office@tn.gov

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