



# CHALLENGE ALERT!

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## BEAD Map Challenge Process

### Key Dates

**April 9, 2024:** Publication of Eligible Locations

**April 18 – May 27, 2024: Challenge Submission Window (40 days)**

**Rebuttal Phase:** Challenged Service Providers will have 40 days after receiving a challenge to submit a rebuttal

**Final Determinations:** Will be made within 30 days from receipt of a rebuttal

### Eligible Challengers

- Non-Profits
- Tribal Governments
- Local Governments
- Broadband Service Providers
- Educational organizations that are either a unit of local or Tribal government or a nonprofit (such as a public school district or public university)

## Allowable Challenges

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

\*Speed tests will be collected from individuals to be submitted by an eligible challenger in order to determine eligibility.

## 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 Portal Access](#)
- [Challenge Portal Step-by-Step Instructions](#)
- Selection of type and location of challenge
- Submission of evidence
  - File uploads
  - Narrative support
- Notification to challenged entities
- Rebuttal submission (if necessary)

## Links & Contacts

- [Challenge Process Overview](#)
- [Map of Broadband Service Availability](#)
- For policy or procedural questions, contact: [broadbandcenter@utah.gov](mailto:broadbandcenter@utah.gov)
- For technical assistance, contact: [broadbandcenter@utah.gov](mailto:broadbandcenter@utah.gov)

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