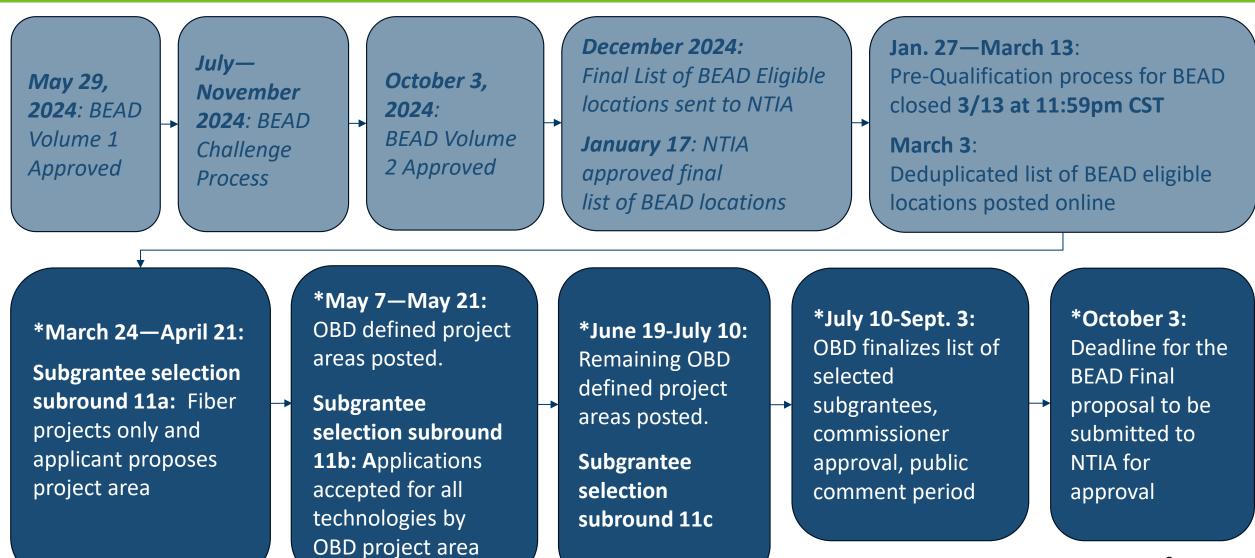
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Office of Broadband Development | Weekly BEAD Office Hours

March 18, 2025

BEAD Timeline in Minnesota



Updates

- The BEAD Pre-Qualification portal closed March 13 at 11:59pm CST. If you are an existing user who has already
 registered or a user who needs to respond with updated documents to requests for revision, you can log-in to
 the <u>BEAD Grantor Portal</u>. If you have any technical questions on using the BEAD Grantor Portal, please email
 <u>mnhelpdesk@ready.net</u>.
- Ahead of the first round of subgrantee selection opening March 24, drafted guides and templates for the Application Process will be added to the <u>OBD BEAD webpage</u> under "BEAD Resources for Pre-Qualification and Application"
- FAQs were updated on the <u>BEAD Subgrantee Selection</u>, and extension of office hours on <u>BEAD General FAQ</u>
- <u>BEAD FAQ form</u>. Please continue to submit **all questions for the FAQ** via online web form. OBD will continue to review responses as a team and with our federal partner, and the FAQs will be updated weekly.
 - As of March 18, outstanding questions waiting response: 0
- Updates on BEAD Contractor List

OBD weekly office hours have been extended through April 15, 2025.

Register for the 11am sessions below or on the <u>OBD BEAD webpage</u>. Office hours will not be recorded, unless otherwise noted. Materials from each week are posted online.

- March 25, <u>register here</u>. This will serve as a **BEAD Application Information Session**. OBD will walk through the application requirements and an overview will be given of the application process through a demo of the application portal. The session will be recorded and posted to this webpage.
- April 1, <u>register here</u>
- April 8, <u>register here</u>
- April 15, <u>register here</u>



Questions?

Stay up to date by signing up for our **biweekly email** updates at: <u>mn.gov/deed/programs-services/broadband/contact/</u>