

Office of Broadband Development | BEAD Weekly Office Hours

April 15, 2025

### **BEAD Timeline in Minnesota**

May 29, 2024: BEAD Volume 1 Approved November
2024: BEAD
Challenge
Process

October 3, 2024: BEAD Volume 2 Approved

#### December 2024:

Final List of BEAD Eligible locations sent to NTIA

January 17: NTIA
approved final
list of BEAD locations

#### Jan. 27—March 13:

Pre-Qualification process for BEAD closed **3/13 at 11:59pm CST** 

#### March 3:

Deduplicated list of BEAD eligible locations posted online

#### March 24—April 21:

Subgrantee selection subround 11a: Fiber projects only and applicant proposes project area \*May 7—May 21:
OBD defined project areas posted.

Subgrantee
selection subround
11b: Applications
accepted for all
technologies by
OBD project area

\*June 19-July 10: Remaining OBD defined project areas posted.

Subgrantee selection subround 11c

\*July 10-Sept. 3:

OBD finalizes list of selected subgrantees, commissioner approval, public comment period

\*October 3:

Deadline for the BEAD Final proposal to be submitted to NTIA for approval

## **Updates**

#### Resources on the Minnesota OBD webpage include:

- Updated <u>Subgrantee Selection FAQs</u>, <u>4/14</u> after review and approval with NTIA
- Reminder, <u>BEAD Waiver Request Form Guide</u> is available for waiver requests
- The MN BEAD Contractor Directory is available and being updated weekly. To be added to the directory, complete and submit the Minnesota BEAD Contractor Directory Form.
- <u>BEAD FAQ form</u>. Please continue to submit all questions for the FAQ via online web form. Subgrantee Selection questions pertaining to 11a must be submitted by end of day today, April 15.
  - Questions submitted 4/9 to 4/15: 9 drafted responses being sent to NTIA for review

## BEAD Office Hours and Application Information Session

#### **Application Information Session, 11b:**

 Application Information Session 11b, <u>Tuesday May 6, register here</u> - this session will be recorded and posted to the OBD BEAD webpage.

#### Office Hours for the second round, 11b

- BEAD office hours, <u>Tuesday May 13 11am</u>, <u>register here</u>
- BEAD office hours, <u>Tuesday May 20, 11am, register here</u>

Registration for the third round of subgrantee selection, round 11c, will be available soon. The office hours sessions will pause during the periods of time that applications are under active review.



# Questions?

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