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BEAD Challenge Weekly Office Hours July 18th, 2024

Presented by the Office of Broadband Development



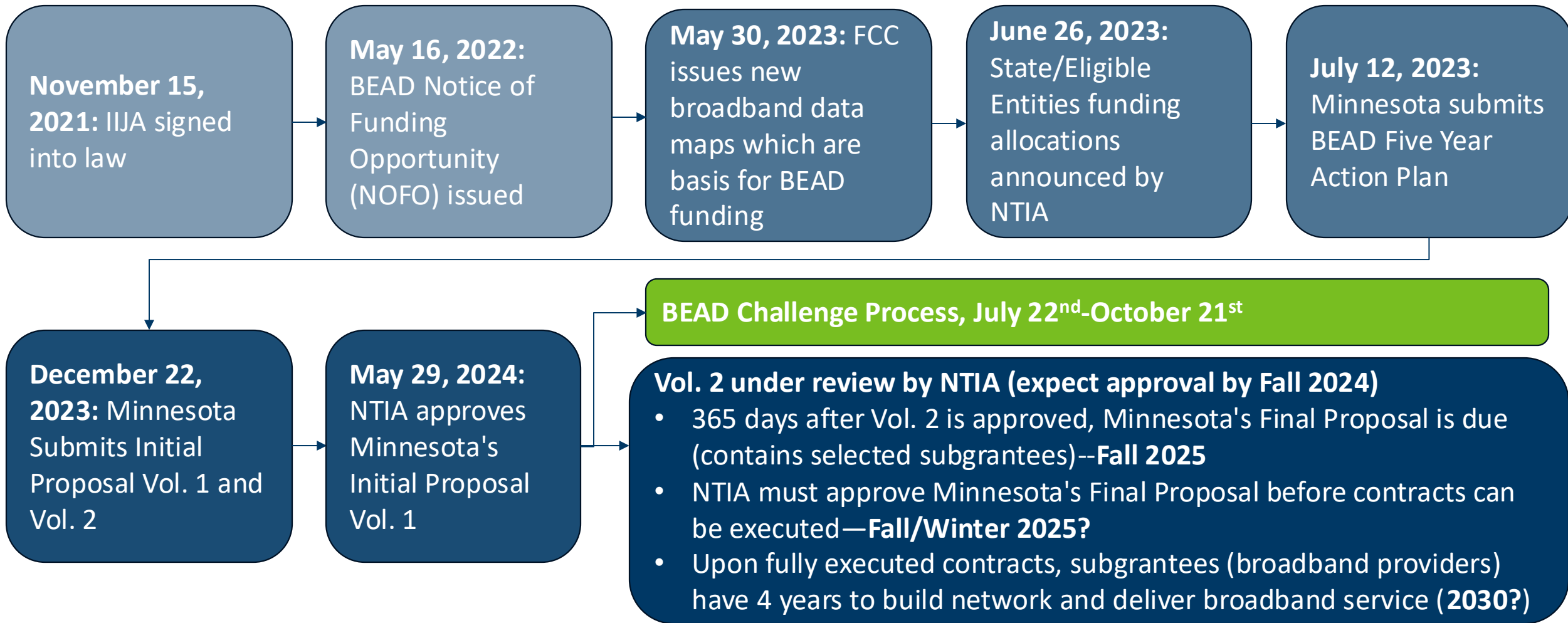
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BEAD Program



BEAD Challenge Timeline



July 15th-July 21st:
BEAD Challenge Portal opens, pre-registration begins



July 22nd-August 21st
30-day BEAD Challenge Window



August 22nd-September 20th
30-day BEAD Rebuttal window. *Rebuttal is due 30 days after notification.*



September 21st-October 21st
30-day BEAD Adjudication by OBD

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- **OBD BEAD website updates include** (mn.gov/deed/programs-services/broadband/bead/)
 - Recording of the virtual, 7/15 information session + PowerPoint slides posted
 - The CSV file of the unserved and underserved locations used to prepare the preliminary list of BEAD eligible locations for the Broadband Navigator/Challenge Portal as of July 2024
 - Additional resources for using and registering for the BEAD Challenge portal
 - Updated draft of Volume 2 from July 15th curing
 - Recordings of the AppGeo portal demo from this and future office hours will be uploaded to the webpage, along with the PowerPoint slides, *aim to have posted within 24 hours after the office hours*

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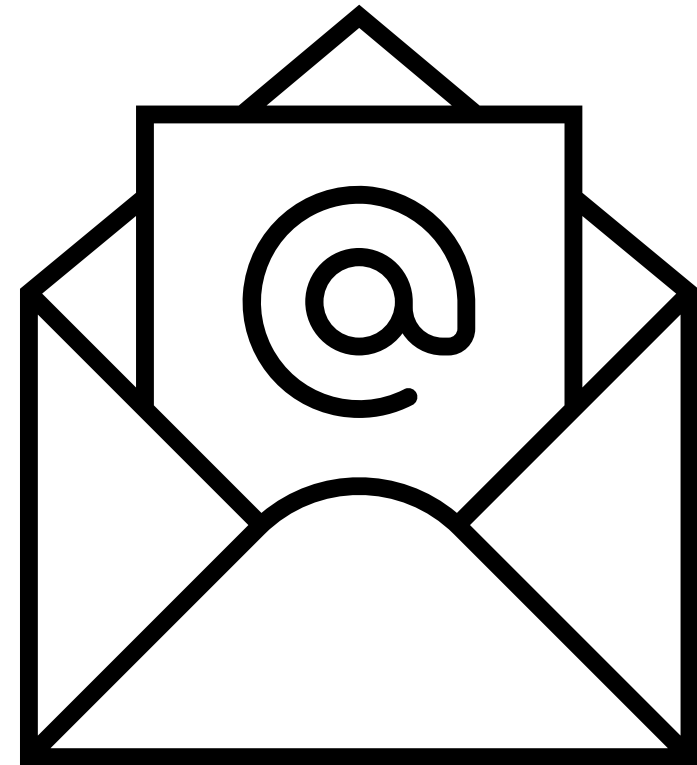


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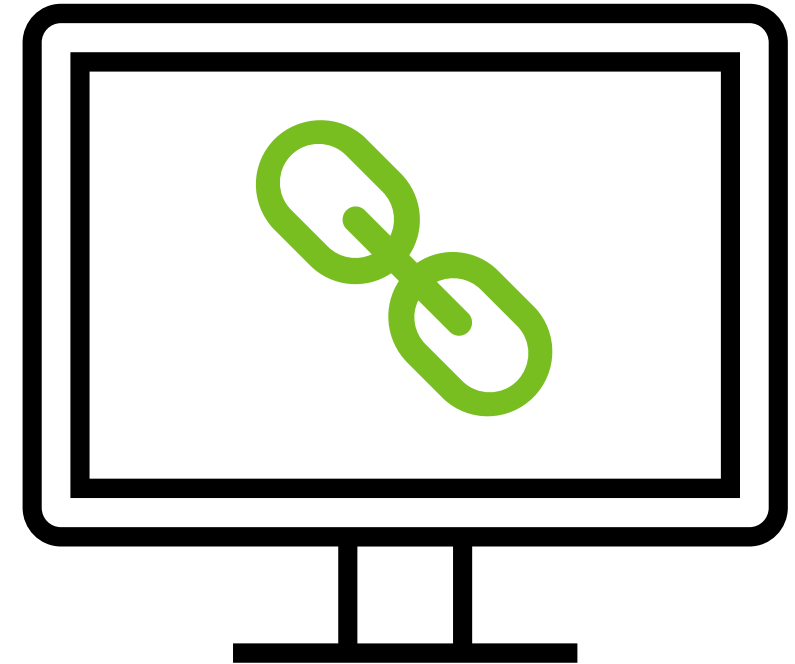


- Sign up for the OBD emails:
mn.gov/deed/programs-services/broadband/contact/
- Keep an eye on the OBD webpage for the latest information and resources on BEAD:
mn.gov/deed/programs-services/broadband/bead/



Upcoming office hours

- **Next week:** Thursday July 25th at 2pm
- **Registration links for upcoming sessions:**
 - Will be added to the OBD website by the end of the week
 - Sent out in an email blast to the Broadband list serv early next week
 - And added to the registration page for this session



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