

Project Feasibility and Reasonableness

Company Name: [REDACTED]

Project Service Area (PSA) Number: [REDACTED]

1. AMOUNT OF MATCHING FUNDS LEVERAGED (10pts):

- a) *Funding Match:* Applicant to provide Funding Match for the project service area. *If the Applicant is a municipality requesting Funding Match waiver please enter (-) zero for the Applicant Match amount and percentage of the total PSA costs.*

Project Funding Information			
Grant Amount Requested (\$)		Grant percentage of project service area cost (%)	
Amount of Applicant Match (\$)		Applicant Match as a percentage of project service area cost (%)	

- b) Is Applicant a municipality requesting a Funding Match waiver?

YES

NO

If YES, Applicant to submit supporting documentation demonstrating that the Applicant still has outstanding debt service obligations associated with the construction of the broadband network that would be extended with the requested grant funding.

Confirmation

Check this box to confirm that supporting documentation for funding match waiver are included in the Appendix.

- c) *Funding Match Supporting Documentation:*

If Applicant is not eligible for a Funding Match waiver, the Applicant shall submit:

1. A written certification attesting to (i) the availability of sufficient funds to satisfy the match requirement; and (ii) the commitment of the Applicant to provide the matching funds consistent with the program guidelines;

Confirmation

Check this box to confirm that certification for the funding match is included in the Appendix.

- 2. Supporting documentation to validate the source and availability of matching funds.

Confirmation

Check this box to confirm that supporting documentation for the funding match are included in the Appendix.

2. REASONABLENESS OF PROPOSED PROJECT SCHEDULE (5pts):

- a) *Project Timeline:* Applicant shall complete the table below by providing key dates related to the proposed project.

Project Timeline			
Project Start Date		Customer Installation Start Date (if applicable)	
Construction Start Date		Customer Installation End Date (if applicable)	
Construction End Date		Start of Service Date	

- b) *Project Schedule Narrative:* Applicant shall provide a detailed narrative regarding the project schedule including project start and end dates, key dependencies, key risk factors and mitigation strategies, the individual tasks and their anticipated timelines by quarter and year including the broadband deployment tasks and activities necessary for project completion.

[Empty text box for Project Schedule Narrative]

Applicants shall complete the table below as part of the project schedule description:

Project Milestone	2024	2025	2026
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Quarter	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Site surveys, field work, and completion of preliminary design and engineering	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Execution of cable license agreement (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Filing make-ready applications for pole and conduit licenses and payment of associated fees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Payment of make-ready estimates to utilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Receipt of all make ready licenses needed to complete the project	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Receipt of municipal grants of location to public rights of way (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completion of 50% of construction buildout (measured by premises passed)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Final Completion (measured by 100% of premises passed and completion of initial customer installations)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- c) *Risk Factors:* Applicant shall provide a list of any risk factors including financial, technical, or permitting that may change or delay the proposed project schedule.

- d) *Required Permits:* Applicant shall provide a list of all necessary permits for the project and associated timeframes for procuring them. Applicant should also describe their plan of action for obtaining them.

3. EFFICIENT USE OF EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE (3pts):

a) *Project Efficiency:* Is the Applicant planning to leverage existing infrastructure and assets in developing their project?

- YES
- NO

If YES, Applicant shall describe the type(s) and location(s) of infrastructure being leveraged and the steps taken to achieve efficiencies in their project costs.

4. REASONABLENESS OF PROPOSED PROJECT BUDGET (7pts):

a) *Project Cost Information:* Applicant shall complete the table below by summarizing the following proposed project costs and metrics.

Project Cost Information	Amount
Total Project Cost	
Total Project Route Miles	
Number of Long Drops/Non-Standard Installations	
Average Cost of Customer Contributions to Long Drops/Non-Standard Customer Installation	
Average Cost Per Location Served (averaged across all locations)	
Average Cost Per Lineal Mile for the Project	

b) *Budget Summary:* Applicant shall populate the budget details table below.

Budget Category	Total
Middle Mile Related Costs	
Make-Ready (Applications and Make-Ready Estimate Payments)	

Design and Engineering	
Permitting and Regulatory Compliance (including building, electrical, environmental, historical, and cultural reviews and compliance)	
Network Equipment, Fiber/Cabling, Facilities and Materials	
Construction, Testing, and Certification	
Facility Leases For Terms Exceeding One Year (Including IRU Agreements and Capital Leases)	
Subtotal (Middle Mile)	
Last Mile Related Costs	
Make-Ready (Applications and Make-Ready Estimate Payments)	
Design and Engineering	
Permitting and Regulatory Compliance (including building, electrical, environmental, historical, and cultural reviews and compliance)	
Network Equipment, Fiber/Cabling, and Materials	
Construction, Testing, and Certification	
Long Drops and Non-Standard Customer Installation Costs	
Overbuild Costs	
Facility Leases For Terms Exceeding One Year (Including IRU Agreements and Capital Leases)	
Costs Associated With Monitoring and Reporting Requirements	
Subtotal (Last Mile)	
Total Project Cost	

Budget Narrative: Applicant shall provide a detailed budget narrative for project deployment, including basis and key assumptions for cost estimates, and describe the reasonableness of their proposed budget by providing examples of measures taken for the efficient use of grant funds, such as engaging in competitive procurement (e.g., Request for Proposals (RFPs)) for major purchases.

