

Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment Program (BEAD) Applicant Submission Checklist

Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA)

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BEAD PROJECT APPLICATION – APPLICANT SUBMISSION CHECKLIST



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Category	Description	Yes	No	N/A	Remarks		
1. Applicant Information							
Applicant Information	Provided all required applicant level information (such as Applicant Contact Details, Type of Service Provider, etc.)						
	If applicable, provided Attachment 1 which highlights experience of contractor/subcontractors						
2. Project Executi	2. Project Executive Summary						
Project Executive Summary	Provided a high-level summary of the project per Part A1 - 100% fiber-based deployment with Outliers, Part A2 - 100% fiber-based deployment excluding Outliers, and Part B - mix of fiber, reliable, and alternative technologies (as applicable).						
3. Project Area(s)							
Project Areas	Selected the project area for which you are submitting this application and submitted the Project Area file with the list of BSLs and proposed technologies						
Community Anchor Institutions	Provided number of eligible Community Anchor Institutions (CAIs) proposed to be served in the selected project areas.						
4. Project Infrastr	ucture						
Project Type	Identified Project Type(s) (Priority and/or Non-Priority Broadband Projects).						
Infrastructure, Technology, and	Provided Infrastructure details for the Project Area for A1/A2/B, as applicable.						
Performance	Selected applicable technologies (covering Part A1, Part A2, and/or Part B as applicable)						
5. Open Access N	etwork Options						
Open Access Network Options	Provided details organization's open access policy.						
6. Network Design	1						
High-Level Network Design	Provided a high-level network design, showing a proposed network that will deliver broadband service meeting or exceeding the performance requirements to all locations served by the project. (Attachment 2)						
Outlier Locations	[If applicable] Provided a list of Outliers along with proposed technologies for each Outlier in the Project Financial Workbook Templates. (Attachments 8A and/or 8B as applicable)						
7. Scalability and	Resiliency						
Network Scalability and Resiliency	Provided the requested details of network scalability and resiliency including redundancies in network and power sources; plan for retrofitting and/or hardening, and others.						
Climate Assessment	Provided an initial assessment of potential climate risks impacting the proposed project and described network infrastructure resiliency and climate readiness measures						
8. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)							
NEPA and NHPA	Provided detailed plans on how the project will be implemented for remaining compliant with the SHPA, NEPA, NHPA, and any other applicable requirements. (Attachment 3 – project specific NEPA plan if available)						



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9. Make Ready / Project Preparedness						
Make Ready	Explained make-ready / project preparedness activities that has already been completed or has been planned.					
10. Timeline						
Project Schedule	Provided a detailed project timeline with key implementation phases and milestones. (Attachment 4 – Detailed Project Timeline(s) per Part A and/or Part B, as applicable)					
11. Barrier and Per	mitting Requirements					
Barrier and permitting identification	Identified and detailed all potential barriers that might impact timeline and applicable permits/crossings.					
12. Project Financi	als					
Financial Surety (Letter of Credit or Performance Bond)	 Provided one of the following allowable financial surety options: Commitment letter for issuing a Letter of Credit (LOC) from a Bank (Attachment 5) Option # 1: Commitment letter for issuing a LOC from a Credit Union (Attachment 5) Option # 2: Surety letter for issuing a performance bond (Attachment 6) Option # 4: Commitment letter from a bank for issuing a LOC no less than 10% of the subaward amount (Attachment 5) or Surety Letter for issuing a performance bond of at 					
Project Match Details	least 10% value of the subaward (Attachment 6) Provided details of matching funds and submitted evidence of the committed matching funds for A1, A2, and/or B (as applicable). (Attachments 7-A1, 7-A2, and/or B as applicable)					
Project Cost Estimation	Provided project cost estimation details for Part A: Fiber - 100% fiber-based deployment, and/ or Part B - mix of fiber, reliable, and alternative technologies, if applicable.					
Project Financials Workbook	Populated and uploaded the Project Financials excel workbook per Part A and/or Part B as applicable. (Attachments 8A and/or 8B as applicable)					
13. Project Workfor	rce					
Equitable Workforce Development and Job Quality	Provided a narrative demonstrating your commitment to investing appropriately in cultivating a skilled and diverse workforce.					
Fair Labor and Employment Laws	Provided a certification on the Applicant's compliance with federal and state labor and employment laws, signed by an Officer/Director-level employee, if not provided during pre- registration (Attachment 9)					
	[If applicable] Certified your contractors and/or subcontractor's compliance with federal and/or state labor and employment laws, or any other applicable labor and employment laws, if not provided during pre-registration (Attachment 10)					
	Submitted organization's plan, along with plans from affiliated contractors or subcontractors, on monitoring and ensuring adherence to labor and employment laws.					



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Workforce Arrangement	Provided the required details of workforce arrangement and their projected wage structures (directly employed and/or subcontracted workforce).				
Appropriately Compensated Workforce	[If applicable] Certified compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act. (Attachment 11)				
	[If applicable] Certified compliance with the State Prevailing Wage. (Attachment 12)				
	[If applicable] Provided a certification for submitting a project employment and local impact report prior to signing of the grant agreement (Attachment 13)				
Project Labor Agreements	If committed to include project labor agreements, provided a comprehensive plan, emphasizing your commitment to upholding the terms of the project labor agreements				
	If no commitment provided to project labor agreements, provide a justification for your organization's decision to exclude a project labor agreement from the project and completed the project continuity plan section of the application.				
Local Hire Provisions	Provided a narrative your organization's approach to prioritizing local hires for the proposed project.				
Union Neutrality	Submitted a policy on union neutrality. (Attachment 14)				
Labor Peace Agreements	Provided organization's plans to address labor peace agreements.				
Appropriately Skilled and Credentialed Workforce	Provided plans that will ensure to use of an appropriately skilled workforce, including plans to prioritize the employment of workers through training programs or Registered Apprenticeships.				
	Provided plans regarding the verification of qualifications, certifications, and licenses of your workforce.				
Misclassification of workers	Provided a plan to prevent the misclassification of workers and organization's workforce classification methodologies.				
Unionized	Confirmed that your organization's, contractor's, or subcontractor's workforce is unionized.				
Workforce	If not, provided the details of the workforce plan in the workforce plan section for the non-unionized workforce and completed the project continuity plan section.				
Workforce Plan	Provided workforce plan outlining job roles and the corresponding FTE positions, on-the-job training programs, and professional certifications requirements.				
	Provided details on procurement and retention methods for MBEs/WBEs/LSBs. [If known] Provided certification of MBE/WBE/LSB partners				
Project Continuity	participating in the BEAD funding project. (Attachment 15 Provided project workforce continuity plan (Attachment 16)				
Plan 14. Local Support a	and Community Engagement				
Letter of Support	Consulted with Local and Tribal Governments as applicable and provided Letter(s) of Support from them. (Attachment 17)				
Engagement Plan	Provided an engagement plan(s) for coordination from Local and Tribal Governments. (Attachment 18)				



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15. Affordability						
Affordability	Provided details of the most affordable total price(s) for 1 Gbps symmetrical service and/or 100/20 Mbps service(s) (as applicable)					
Low-Cost Service Option	Described or uploaded details of an existing or proposed low-cost broadband service plans and upgradation options. (Attachment 19)					
	If can't meet the low-cost service option requirements, provided specific reasons/cost-benefits analysis and evidence for requesting a waiver, such as data, research, or assessments that support the request. (Attachment 20)					
16. Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs)/ Women's Business Enterprises (WBEs)/ Labor Surplus Firms Inclusion						
M/WBEs and Labor Surplus Area Firms	Provided detailed narratives about addressing the six requirements for contracting with M/WBEs and Labor Surplus Area Firms.					
17. Cybersecurity C	17. Cybersecurity Compliance and Supply Chain Risk Management Compliance					
Cybersecurity Risk Management Compliance	[If not submitted during Pre-registration] Uploaded organization's latest updated cybersecurity risk management plan. (Attachment 21)					
Supply Chain Risk Management Compliance	[If not submitted during Pre-registration] Uploaded organization's latest updated supply chain risk management plan. (Attachment 22)					
18. Certifications						
Certifications	Confirmed compliance with all required certifications listed.					