

**Broadband Infrastructure Program
Announcement of Proposed Service Areas Response Submission Guide**

The Broadband Infrastructure Program is a \$288 million broadband deployment program directed to facilitate partnerships between a State, or one or more political subdivisions of a State, and a provider of fixed broadband service to support broadband infrastructure deployment to areas lacking broadband service.

To ensure that NTIA targets federal funds appropriately to areas lacking qualifying broadband service, NTIA is posting this announcement of eligible applications received from covered partnerships that are currently undergoing NTIA review for funding, along with a description of the proposed service areas and a list of corresponding census blocks. To facilitate this process, NTIA is providing the information in [Excel format](#).

NTIA will consider comments from existing broadband service providers as a factor in its evaluation of a covered partnership's project proposal, as long as service providers provide the following required information, per **Section VIII.B** of the Broadband Infrastructure Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), via email to the Broadband Infrastructure Program team (BBInfra@ntia.gov), **by 11:59 pm EDT on October 19, 2021**:

- 1) The name of the company providing information on its broadband service offerings;
- 2) A summary describing the information the provider has submitted to NTIA;
- 3) The number of households and businesses that have access to broadband service in that portion of the provider's service territory that overlaps with the applicants' proposed service area by census block and the number lacking access to qualified broadband service as defined in the NOFO;
- 4) The type of broadband services the provider offers in its service territory by census block and the technology used to provide those services, including, for wireless carriers, the spectrum that is used;
- 5) The speed of the broadband services that are offered;
- 6) The number of subscribers that the provider currently has for each of the broadband services it offers in its service territory by census block;
- 7) A list of the provider's Points of Presence (POPs) in or near the census blocks listed by the announcement; and
- 8) Such other information that NTIA may request after reviewing the data that the existing broadband service provider submitted.

Items 3-7 above should be submitted **by census block** and in **tabular format**. Service providers may use the [Excel template included](#). For those service providers submitting multiple responses, please note that one table/template should be submitted per covered partnership.

Service providers should provide a list of 15-digit census block codes for any service area(s) being challenged. The list of block codes should be provided in an editable and extractable table format where each block code is represented in a row within a table and can be easily copied out of the list. If possible, each block code should be associated with the relevant service area if service providers are submitting information about multiple service areas.