

Hello,

Thank you for submitting your application to the NTIA Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program. NTIA has been diligently reviewing applications since the application deadline on September 1, 2021.

We received 301 applications requesting more than \$5.84 billion dollars, resulting in an oversubscription of almost 6 times the available funding amount of \$980 million dollars. The authorizing legislation and Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program require NTIA to cure applications, i.e., obtain missing documents and resolve application deficiencies, as part of the application review process. NTIA is working with applicants to cure the applications received so that each eligible application is thoroughly reviewed and considered for funding.

While the NOFO anticipated that NTIA expected to complete its review, selection of successful applicants, and award processing by November 29, 2021, NTIA is unable to complete all awards by that date because of the tremendous interest in the program, its statutory requirements (including the curing process), and our need to implement a robust application review process. In accordance with the NOFO, awards will be made on a rolling basis subject to the availability of funds. NTIA announced its first awards on November 16, 2021, and anticipates completing its review, selection of successful applicants, and award processing by spring 2022.

Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Regards,

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