

Navigating the BEAD Program





Connecting Everyone, Everywhere Driving Digital Prosperity

Telehealth	Remote Learning	Economic Development
Digital Inclusion	Sustainability	Affordability





2024 BEAD Progress & Expectations

BEAD Volume 1 : Approved by NTIA

Rules for challenging the state broadband maps.

Each state has their definition of the challenge process.

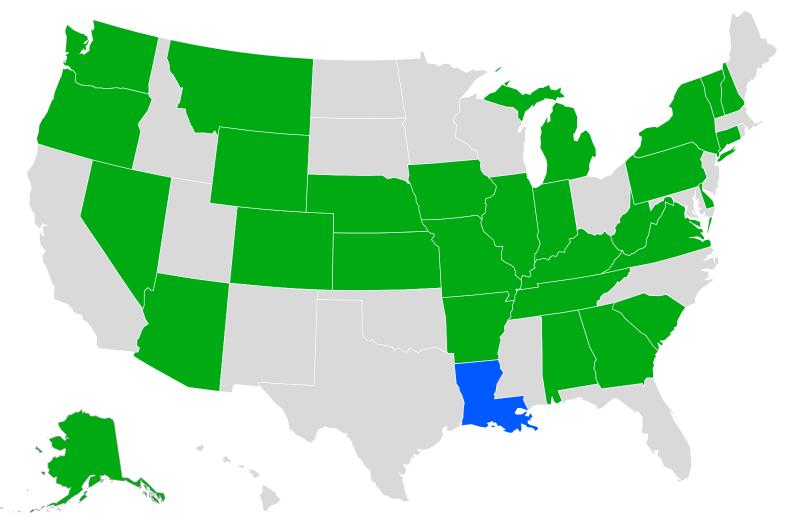
BEAD Volume 2: Approved by NTIA:

Grant program rules, judging criteria and process for how the state broadband offices evaluate applications.

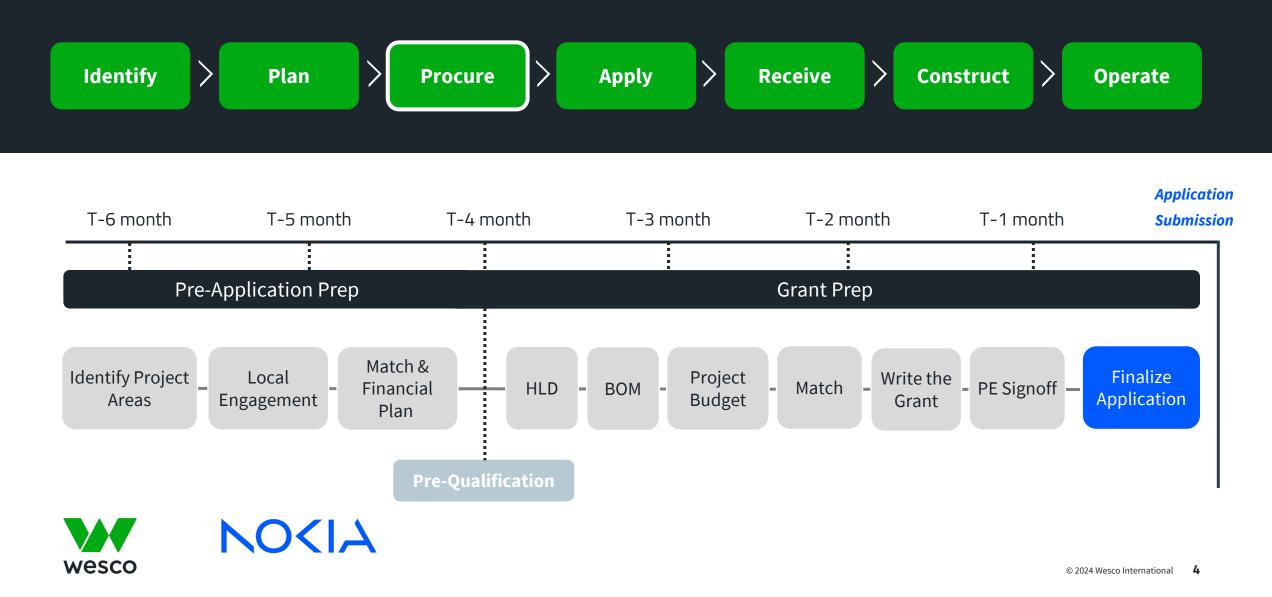
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States in **GREEN** are implementing BEAD



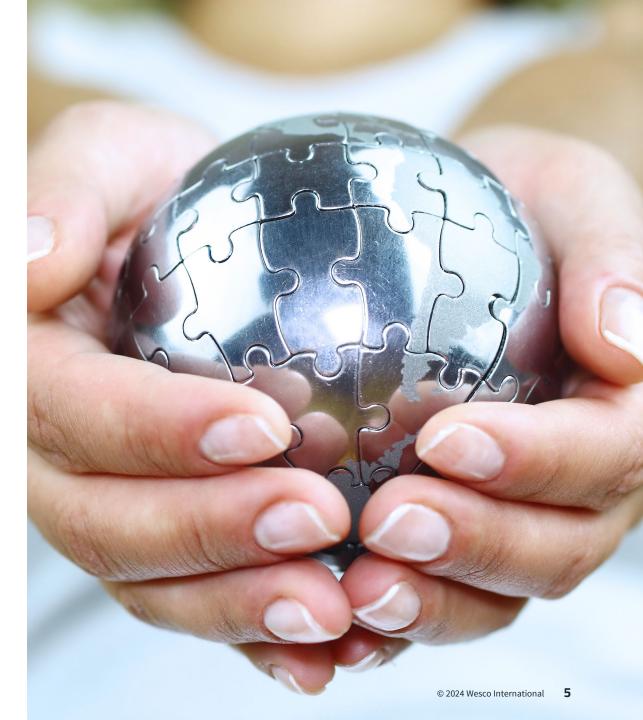
Timeline: Preparing for Success



Partnerships Matter Build Relationships for Success

- Well-established companies working together as partners provide knowledge and expertise for network deployments with **future sustainability**.
- Long-term relationships between partners increase the probability to receive full points on the BEAD scoring rubric.
- Once grant awarded, partners coordinate proven supply chain logistics to achieve success on or before each deadline throughout the project.
- **Experience matters** in construction projects as unforeseen delays occur. Response time, flexibility, and nationwide presence minimizes planned buffer time.





Thank You Any Questions?

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