

GAO's Recent and Ongoing Tribal Broadband Work

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GAO's Role



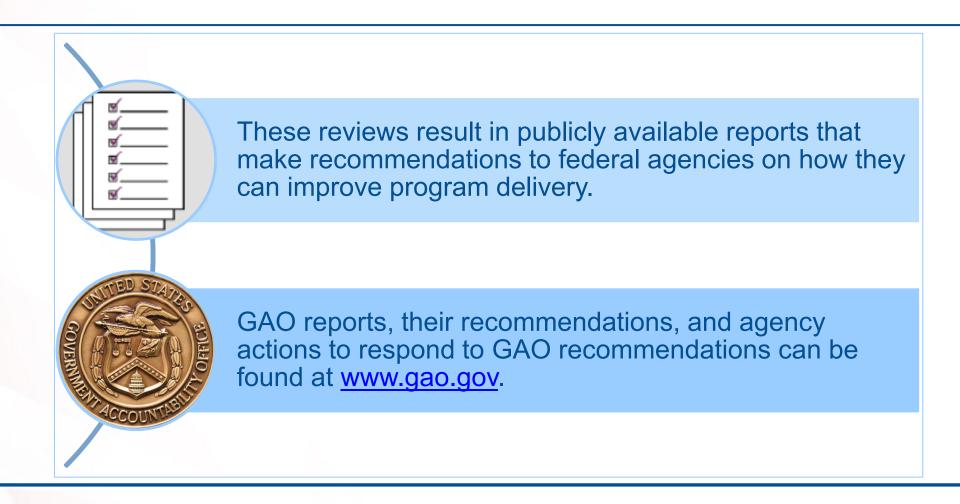
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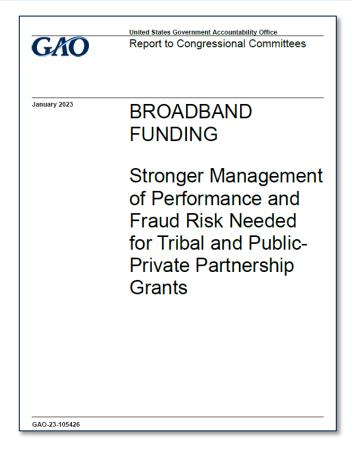




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Current Review



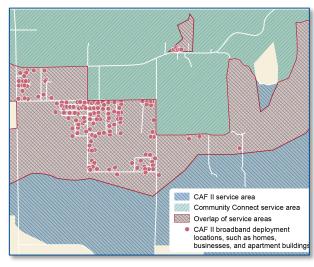
Program reach



Project sustainability



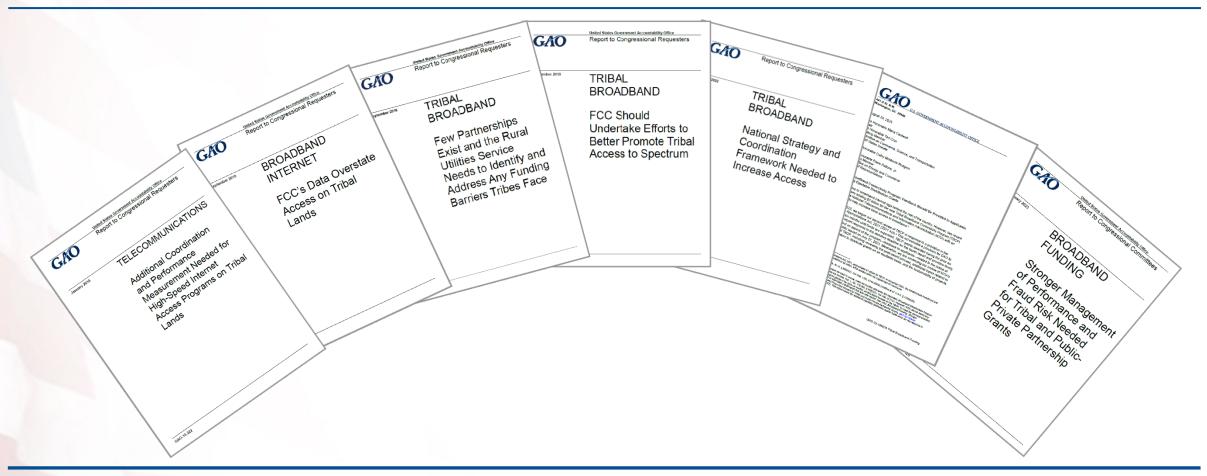
Environmental review



Duplication



GAO tribal broadband studies since 2016





New Review: Federal Broadband Programs



Quality Information



Interagency Coordination

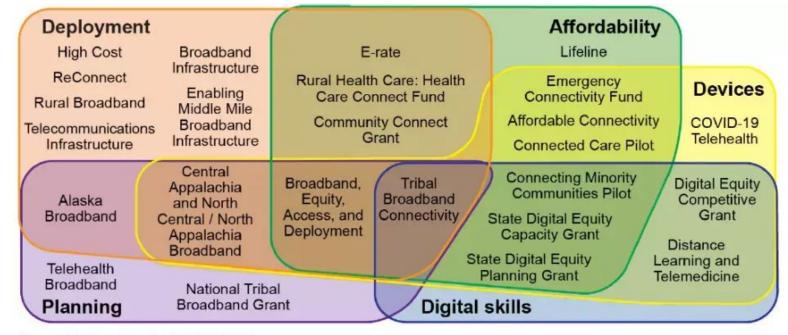


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