Notice to Unlicensed Fixed Wireless (ULFW) providers serving Broadband Serviceable Locations (BSL) that are eligible for BEAD funding

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) issued a "Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program Restructuring Policy Notice" (Policy Notice) on June 6, 2025.

In compliance with the Policy Notice, WBO notes the following:

If you are an ULFW provider that has reported service to BEAD-eligible locations in Wyoming in the FCC's Broadband Data Collection system with technology code 70, and you believe the performance of your ULFW service meets the technical specifications for BEAD performance as documented in the Policy Notice (Appendix A), then you must notify broadbandoffice@wyo.gov within seven calendar days of this posting dated June 11, 2025 at 3:00pm MT if you intend to submit evidence that BEAD funding is not required for the locations you serve.

After submitting your notification of intent to submit evidence, you then have seven calendar days to submit the evidence required "supporting the claim that the existing ULFW services meet the same technical and service standards required for a ULFW application for a BEAD subgrant (see Appendix A of [the Policy Notice]) and the provider is reasonably capable of delivering the service for at least four years after the date of Final Proposal submission." [Policy Notice, p. 14.]

NTIA has provided standards of proof in Appendix A of the Policy Notice. These "Unlicensed Fixed Wireless Service Requirements" include:

- 1. The list of locations for which the provider has proof of BEAD-qualified service
- 2. Evidence of network design, equipment, and strategy for mitigating interference
- 3. Evidence that all submitted locations can meet minimal BEAD performance requirements of 100/20 Mbps speed and latency of no more than 100 ms and reserve sufficient capacity in the network for simultaneous provision of service at BEAD speeds and spikes in interference

Please note that, because NTIA's Policy Notice requires WBO to complete this process, execute a new BEAD subgrantee selection round, and submit the results under the new rules within 90 days of the Policy Notice, there will be no time for curing ULFW evidence submissions. Please carefully review the Policy Notice guidance and submit your evidence in compliance with the requirements. Improper or inadequate submissions may result in WBO rejecting your submission in full or in part.