

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT



ARPA State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Project Full Summary

This document is to be submitted to the Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding once a project has been approved by a working group for funding consideration.

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Resources

Interim Final Rule (<u>link</u>)
Frequently Asked Questions (<u>link</u>)
Compliance and Reporting Guidance (<u>link</u>)

Project Overview

Project Name: Broadband Mapping

Organization Name: Department of Commerce

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Project Cost: \$2,030,000

Project Cost Breakdown: See attached.

Project Timeline:

5 year project

Approximately how many Oklahomans will benefit from this project?

All Oklahoma citizens. 342,000 students are without broadband and 80% of Oklahoma's landmass is without connection.

Project Description to include impact of COVID-19, intended impact of project, and general description of services.

This project will provide a statewide map of public and private resources including coverage status and speed test status. The requested funding would be designed to help the Oklahoma

Legislature and Rural Broadband Expansion Council determine how to use federal funding to expand broadband capability throughout Oklahoma. More specifically it would allow the Department of Commerce to effectively create and continuously update a mapping system that depicts resources, broadband coverage, connectivity speeds and other features as relevant to the Council.

This would allow for mapping and continuous update of broadband data for a five year period.

What are the performance indicators (inputs, outputs, and outcomes) that this project will track to capture impact?

Initial performance measures would be:

- Purchasing appropriate equipment
- Purchasing map and data
- Provider reporting
- Public facing map

How will the performance indicators be measured?

- Map being utilized to make funding decisions
- Map utilized to allow for other grant opportunities
- Moving from unserved or underserved to served

What is the potential return on investment for this project?

Currently, Oklahoma is 47th in the nation in broadband connectivity. Having an accurate and transparent map in place will provide a significant economic impact as it touches many other sectors such as telemedicine, education, business, etc.

Other funding identified by applicant:

The map will show if an area is utilizing another funding stream preventing overbuild. Having an accurate map in place will also make Oklahoma eligible for other federal grant opportunities.