

Broadband Office

Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding March 29, 2023



Overview

- Status Update:
 - Broadband Mapping
 - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds
 - ➤ State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)
 - Capital Projects Funds (CPF)
 - State administrative appropriation



Broadband Mapping

- > \$2 million for creation of Oklahoma broadband map
 - Retained Applied Geographics (AppGeo)
 - Expended \$150,000 for challenges to service availability and location data of FCC's Broadband Map

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ARPA-SLFRF

- > \$382,144,000 appropriated by Legislature to Broadband Office
 - ➤ Governing Board awarded \$19,997,995 to DPS for OKWIN
 - Staff has reviewed and rated 133 projects totaling more than \$4 billion
 - Grant Review Committee will consider recommendations
 - > Full board makes final decisions



ARPA-CPF

- ➤ \$167,683,747 directed by Legislature to Broadband Office
 - Awaiting U.S. Treasury approval of plan submitted in September 2022
 - ➤ Anticipate launching portal for competitive project applications in early summer



Administrative Funds

- ➤ \$500,000 appropriated by Legislature for administration
 - > \$27,000 spent to date for office space lease
 - Payroll for two positions to be funded starting in April
 - Other positions to be funded from federal grants

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Review and Outlook

- Mapping work has begun
- ➤ ARPA-SLFRF selection and distribution underway
- > ARPA-CPF is poised to launch
- Administrative funds being used conservatively
- Creating new state agency and operations from scratch, onboarding executive director, building staff



Thank you

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