

# Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment Program (BEAD)

## Reporting Guidelines

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# 1. Statutory Requirements and Guiding Documents

In accordance with the regulations set forth by Title 2 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Part 200 (2 C.F.R. 200), the terms and conditions of federal awards flow down to subawards. This means that entities receiving federal funding under BEAD program must comply with requirements regardless of whether they are a recipient or subrecipient<sup>1</sup> of a federal award.<sup>2</sup> Therefore, recipients and subrecipients must adhere to guidance and requirements set forth by both the federal agency that houses the grant (NTIA), and any grant or subgrant agreements executed between the recipient (ACA) and a subrecipient.

The following two sections (2.1.1 and 2.1.2) are provided as background information to ACA BEAD subrecipients as a reference to the relevant guidance used to develop the reporting requirements set forth later in this guide.

## 1.1 Relevant Guidance for the ACA's BEAD Program

Throughout the lifecycle of the BEAD program, the ACA will administer reporting efforts based on applicable federal and state regulations, BEAD program requirements, as well as grant agreements (e.g., between those executed between the ACA and the NTIA, and the ACA and subrecipients). The following resources represent relevant requirements and guidance that applies to the ACA's BEAD program:

- **Arizona Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) Subgrant Agreement** – subgrant agreement executed between the ACA and a BEAD subrecipient.
- **BEAD Five-year Action Plan - Arizona Commerce Authority BEAD Five-Year Action Plan.** Arizona's vision is to provide dependable and affordable high-speed internet services to every community and access to the necessary digital skills, so every resident can fully participate in a digital world.
- **BEAD Proposal Volume I & II - Arizona Commerce Authority Initial Proposal for the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) Volumes I & II.** Volume I outlines existing broadband funding within Arizona, the list of the locations designated as unserved and underserved in the FCC National Broadband Map, Arizona's Community Anchor Institutions (CAIs) as defined by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) and the proposed plan for the BEAD challenge process. Volume II outlines the long-term objectives for deploying broadband, closing the digital divide, addressing access, affordability, and adoption issues, and enhancing

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<sup>1</sup> ACA notes that, to the extent the terms "Subgrantee" and "Subrecipient" are used in this document, they have the same meaning as a "Subgrantee" under the Arizona BEAD Program.

<sup>2</sup> The BEAD program generally uses the terms "subgrantee" and "subgrant" because these are the terms used in the relevant IIJA provisions. Many of the applicable regulations governing federal financial assistance generally use the term "subrecipient" to refer to what the IIJA calls "subgrantees" and the term "subaward" to refer to what the IIJA calls "subgrants." See generally 2 C.F.R. Part 200. The terms "subgrantee" and "subgrant" are meant to have the same meaning, respectively, as the terms "subrecipient" and "subaward" in those regulations and other governing authorities.

economic growth and job creation including information developed in the Five-Year Action Plan.

- **Arizona Commerce Authority ConnectAllAZ** – ACA’s ConnectAllAZ website provides more information and additional resources available for BEAD and other broadband programs.
- **Arizona Commerce Authority** – ACA Uniform Terms and Conditions.

## 1.2 Relevant Guidance for BEAD and Federal Programs

The following resources represent relevant federal requirements for ACA BEAD subrecipients:

- **Code of Federal Regulations** - Title 2 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Part 200. 2 C.F.R. Part 200 is the set of regulations for federal grants that provide uniform administrative requirements, cost principles, and audit requirements for federal awards. Some specific provisions are especially relevant to the BEAD program are described below.
- **Eligible Uses of BEAD Program Funds** - Grant recipients may only use federal award funds, and any non-federal cost share committed to an award to pay for allowable costs under the BEAD program, as detailed in the *Fixed Amount Subaward Primer* referenced in Appendix B of this document. BEAD funding generally is disbursed to ACA subrecipients utilizing a fixed cost subaward structure. See also 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.201, 200.333. A fixed amount subaward is a type of subgrant agreement where payments are based on meeting specific milestone requirements of the federal award.
- **BEAD Capital expenditures (CapEx) and operating expenditures (OpEx)** - The BEAD program does not restrict eligible uses of funds to capital expenses. However, the cost principles applied must be in accordance with 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart E for States and non-profit organizations and in 48 C.F.R. Part 31 for commercial organizations.
- **Costs specifically identified as prohibited under the BEAD Program** - An Eligible Entity (e.g., ACA) or subrecipient/subgrantee (including contractors and subcontractors of subrecipients) may not use grant funds received under the BEAD program to purchase or support any covered communications equipment or service (as defined in Section 9 of the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. § 1608)).
- **Provision of Information to Federal Communications Commission and United States Department of Agriculture** - NTIA will provide the information collected under Section I.E.2 of BEAD NOFO, and such other Program information as is necessary, to the Commission, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of the Treasury, and any other federal agency that funds broadband deployment, to be used, as applicable, in determining whether to award funds for the deployment of broadband under any program administered by those agencies.
- **Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters** - In accordance with Section 872 of Public Law 110-417, as amended, see 41 U.S.C. § 2313, if the total value of a recipient’s currently active grants, cooperative agreements, and procurement contracts from all federal awarding agencies exceeds \$10,000,000 for any period of time during the period of performance of an award made under BEAD NOFO, then the recipient shall be subject to the requirements specified in Appendix XII to 2 C.F.R. Part 200.03.
- **Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006** - In accordance with [2 C.F.R. Part 170](#), all recipients of a federal award made on or after October 1, 2010, are

required to comply with reporting requirements under the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Pub. L. No. 109-282).

- **Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements -** Through 2 C.F.R. § 1327.101, the Department of Commerce adopted Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards at 2 C.F.R. Part 200, which apply to awards in the BEAD program. Refer to <http://go.usa.gov/SBYh> and <http://go.usa.gov/SBg4>. The 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F, adopted by the Department of Commerce through 2 C.F.R. § 1327.101 requires any non-federal entity that expends federal awards of \$1,000,000 or more in the recipient's fiscal year to conduct a single or program-specific audit in accordance with the requirements set out in the Subpart. Refer to the Policy Notice on Uniform Guidance for BEAD for exceptions, adjustments, and clarifications to certain provisions of 2 C.F.R. Part 200.
- **Department of Commerce Financial Assistance Standard Terms and Conditions -** The Department of Commerce will apply to each award in this Program, the Financial Assistance Standard Terms and Conditions in effect on the date of award. The current version, dated November 12, 2020, is accessible at Department of Commerce Financial Assistance Standard Terms and Conditions. Refer to Section VIII of BEAD NOFO (Federal Awarding Agency Contact(s)) and the General Terms and Conditions for BEAD for more information.
- **Pre Award Notification Requirements -** The Department of Commerce will apply the Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements dated December 30, 2014 (79 FR 78390), accessible at <http://go.usa.gov/hKkR>. Refer to Section VIII of BEAD NOFO (Federal Awarding Agency Contact(s)) for more information.
- **Environmental and National Historical Preservation Requirements -** Awarding agencies are required to analyze the potential environmental impacts, as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. § 4321 et seq.) and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) (54 U.S.C. § 300101 et seq.) for Eligible Entity (e.g., ACA) proposals and awardee projects and other eligible activities seeking funding under the BEAD program.
- **Property Trust Relationship and Public Notice Filings for Grant-Acquired Property -** In accordance with [2 C.F.R. § 200.316](#), any real property, equipment, or intangible property acquired or improved with a federal award must be held in trust by the Eligible Entity (e.g., ACA) or subrecipient as trustee for the beneficiaries of the project, other eligible activity, or program under which the property was acquired or improved.
- **Domestic Preference for Procurements -** All funds made available through the BEAD program for broadband infrastructure must comply with the Build America, Buy America Act. Additionally, the Infrastructure Act expressly prohibits subrecipients from using BEAD funding to purchase or support fiber optic cable and optical transmission equipment manufactured in the People's Republic of China unless a waiver of this requirement is received from NTIA.

## 2. Overview of Reporting Requirements

Both the ACA and its subrecipients/subgrantees will be required to comply with reporting requirements, including the reporting requirements found in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 and NTIA mandated reporting. Sections 4 and 5 of this guide detail the required reporting requirements set forth by the NTIA. ACA and NTIA reserve the right to make additions and updates throughout the BEAD program. This includes the manner and format that ACA will be required to report information and collect information from subrecipients, in support of federal agency obligations under the Access Broadband Act, 47 USC § 1307, and Infrastructure Act § 60105.

If reporting guidance is updated by the NTIA, the ACA will update its subrecipient reporting guidelines to comply with new reporting requirements, which may include providing updated versions of this guide and reporting templates. If updated reporting requirements are provided by the NTIA or the ACA, subrecipients will be notified via email and/or the Ready.net platform. Subrecipients will utilize the Ready.net platform to complete and submit reports outlined in this guide to the ACA. Additional information regarding the Ready.net platform can be found in Section 6 of this guide.

Under the BEAD NOFO and Restructuring Policy Notice requirements, ACA will submit an initial report to NTIA not later than ninety (90) days after receiving any program grant funds for the purpose of providing transparency and information to inform future federal broadband planning.

An Initial Report must be submitted to NTIA, which will encompass the following information:

- The planned and actual use of funds;
- The planned and actual subgrant process;
- The establishment of appropriate mechanisms by the ACA to ensure that all subrecipients of the ACA comply with the eligible uses prescribed under the BEAD program; and
- Other information required by the Assistant Secretary.

To collect this information for the Initial Report, subrecipients under the ACA's BEAD program will receive a reporting template via email or the Ready.net platform with instructions to populate the template. The Initial Report template must be submitted to the ACA through the means that it was received (i.e., via email response or the Ready.net platform) within ten (10) business days of receipt.

Pursuant to NTIA guidance, the BEAD NOFO, and the Restructuring Policy Notice, semiannual progress reports and a final report are required to be submitted to the NTIA. To stay closely connected with project progress and receive near real-time updates, the ACA has implemented a Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Report to provide more frequent updates to the NTIA and monitor progress of BEAD projects. As a result, BEAD subrecipients receiving funds from ACA will be required to submit Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Reports to ACA for review and data collection. Additional details regarding the specific

subrecipient responsibilities in submitting Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Reports and the Final Report is provided in sections four (4) and five (5) of this document.

In addition to the above reporting requirements, **subrecipients are responsible for mitigating and reporting fraud, waste, and abuse in the BEAD program.** In line with NTIA recommendations to prevent waste, fraud, and abuse, the ACA and subrecipients are responsible for:

- Developing and implementing fair, transparent, and effective processes, including a system of accounting, procurement policies, internal controls, and records retention
- Examining existing processes and internal controls to identify areas vulnerable to fraud
- Hosting regular training to educate staff on risks
- Implementing an internal compliance and ethics program that encourages the recognition and reporting of waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement
- Checking that all financial and performance reports are supported with the required documentation
- Conducting monthly bank reconciliations to identify errors or irregularities

Subrecipients shall report all BEAD-related allegations of waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement. This may be done anonymously through the Federal Office of Inspector General (OIG) Hotline at 1-800-424-5197.

Additional/separate fraud, waste, and abuse guidance may be provided to BEAD subrecipients by the NTIA and/or the ACA.

For all BEAD reporting requirements, regardless of actual receipt of notice of any report form or update, subgrantees are required to remain diligent in complying with ACA and NTIA mandated reporting requirements, and to comply with those requirements on a going forward basis at all times.



## 4. Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Report

The Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Report is a template that will be provided to subrecipients to summarize project progress, financial status, and compliance with relevant regulations semiannually throughout the BEAD program. Subrecipients will be provided this template by the ACA via email and/or the Ready.net platform. Subrecipients are **required to submit this report to the ACA no later than ten (10) business days after the end of semiannual reporting period through the same means which the template was received** (i.e., via email /or the Ready.net platform). This process helps ensure close monitoring of the project's progress, identification of any issues, and performance measurement to maintain alignment with the BEAD program's goals and objectives. The Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Report<sup>3</sup> shall be verified by an officer or director of the Subgrantee as true to ensure that the party making the submission has verified the information and attests to its accuracy.

Consistent with BEAD program guidelines for broadband infrastructure projects (See, e.g., NTIA FAQs Version 7.0, 12.1, 12.2.), the Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Report template for ACA BEAD subrecipients that includes the following fields:

- Summarize the activities completed to date and within the reporting period;
- Summarize new or existing challenges;
- Include a list of addresses or locations that constitute the service locations that will be served by the broadband infrastructure to be constructed;
- Include an aggregate percentage of customers taking service at new locations served within each project area;
- Identify whether each address or location is residential, commercial, or a community anchor institution;
- Indicate the project completion percentage;
- Describe the types of facilities that have been constructed and installed;
- Describe the peak and off-peak actual speeds of the broadband service being offered;
- Describe the maximum advertised speed of the broadband service being offered;
- Describe the non-promotional prices, including any associated fees, charged for different tiers of broadband service being offered;
- List all interconnection agreements that were requested, and their current status;

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<sup>3</sup> ACA notes that, a failure to receive a Semiannual Progress Performance and Progress Report by a Subgrantee does not prevent a subgrantee from having to comply with this requirement.



- Include any other data that would be required to comply with the data and mapping collection standards of the Commission under Section 1.7004 of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation, for broadband infrastructure projects;
- Include an SF-425, Federal Financial Report and meet the requirements described in the Department of Commerce Financial Assistance Standard Terms and Conditions (dated November 12, 2020), Section A.01 for Financial Reports;
- Comply with any other reasonable reporting requirements determined by ACA or the Assistant Secretary; and certify that the information in the report is accurate.

Subrecipients must maintain sufficient records to substantiate all information above upon request.

The ACA will review each Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Report submission by subrecipients, and follow-up with additional questions for clarification as needed. All subrecipients must respond to any follow-up questions submitted by the ACA regarding their Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Report in writing within 48 hours of receiving them.

## 5. Final Report

The ACA is expected to submit a **Final Report** to NTIA no later than one (1) year after all grant funds are expended. To cover all the programmatic aspects and BEAD program goals, ACA requires data submissions from all subrecipients to help populate the Final Report.

To collect information for the Final Report, a Subrecipient Final Report template will be provided to subrecipients by the ACA via email and/or the Ready.net platform. **Subrecipients are required to submit this report to the ACA no later than sixty (60) business days following the completion of the project, termination of the subgrant Agreement, or expenditure of all grant award funds, whichever occurs first. The Final Report template must be submitted back to the ACA through the same means which the template was received** (i.e., via email /or the Ready.net platform). The Final Report shall be verified by an officer or director of the Subgrantee as true to ensure that the party making the submission has verified the information and attests to its accuracy.

The Final Report template includes the following fields to be populated:

- How the subrecipient expended the funds<sup>4</sup>;
- Each service provided with the grant funds;
- The locations at which broadband service was made available using the grant funds, the locations at which broadband service was utilized, and the comparative demographics of those served;

Subrecipients must submit a certificate demonstrating compliance with BEAD requirements and any additional reporting requirements prescribed by the Assistant Secretary of the NTIA.

The ACA will review each submission by subrecipients, and follow-up with additional questions for clarification as needed. All subrecipients must respond to any follow-up questions submitted by the ACA regarding their Final Report in writing within 48 hours of receiving them through the same electronic method that other communications for the ACA BEAD Project are transmitted.

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<sup>4</sup> Note, subrecipients must all return any funds not obligated or expended for eligible uses within the eligible cost timeframe of the ACA's BEAD program.

## 6. Ready.net Platform

Subrecipients must use the Ready.net platform for completion of the Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Reports, and Final Report submissions, in addition to email if instructed by the ACA. Subrecipients will be alerted via Ready.net when a report submission deadline is upcoming or via email. Subrecipients are also responsible for ensuring submission of these Reports on a timely basis, however, and of ensuring that data requests from ACA are made to them based on their progress pursuant to their Subgrantee Agreement. If a Subgrantee is aware that they should have received an alert via Ready.net related to a report but they have not, they should reasonably inquire of ACA to confirm they are complying with both federal and ACA reporting guidelines.

Specific to the Ready.net platform, to complete a reporting submission subrecipients should navigate to the 'Progress Reporting' tab. All reports for current period reporting will be listed on this tab. Any past due reports or those requiring updates will also be shown.

While working on a report, subrecipients should read and respond to all questions in their entirety, saving their progress regularly by clicking the 'Save Progress' button at the lower right-hand side of the screen. Reports can be returned to and worked on at any time before submission.

The screenshot displays the 'October 2024 Progress Report' submission interface. At the top, a breadcrumb trail shows the progress: 'Locations Update' (active), 'Damage Report', 'Speed and Pricing', 'Technical Documentation', 'Attestation', and 'Review & Submit'. The main content area is divided into three sections: 'Active milestones', 'Upcoming Milestones', and 'Completed Milestones'. The 'Active milestones' section, titled 'Planned Service', lists eight identical entries with ID '109554092' and coordinates 'Lat: 30,53171955; Lon: -91,76238472'. The 'Upcoming Milestones' section, titled 'Active Service', contains one entry stating 'The project build is complete and ready for subscription.' The 'Completed Milestones' section, titled 'QA and Field Walkout', contains one entry stating 'The project engineering and design is in progress'. On the right side, a sidebar lists the report components: 'Locations Update' (selected), 'Damage Report', 'Speed And Pricing', 'Technical Documentation', and 'Attestations'. At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'Save Progress', 'Back', and 'Submit'.

Image 1: The image above depicts the Ready.net portal submission page for a sample report to be submitted by subrecipients.

As previously discussed in section five (5) of this guide, for semiannual reports subrecipients will need to provide a list of addresses, specifying whether each address is residential, commercial, or a community anchor institution. A template will be provided for this purpose, and it should be completed and uploaded as prompted.

Once all questions have been answered, subrecipients should have an officer or director with authority for the subrecipient sign and date the attestation in the designated tab, then navigate to the 'Review and Submit' tab to finalize the submission. Once submitted, the report cannot be edited. The final report templates, pages, and/or forms will be developed in Ready.net once reporting guidance is finalized by the NTIA.

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## 7. Appendix A: Definitions and Acronyms

Term	Definition	Acronym (if applicable)
National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) is a federal agency administering the BEAD program.</li> </ul>	NTIA
Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program administered by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) for deployment of broadband infrastructure projects in the state.</li> </ul>	BEAD
Arizona Commerce Authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordinator and administrator of all broadband infrastructure funding programs in Arizona</li> <li>Key administration stakeholder and Subject Matter Expert (SME) on digital inclusion</li> </ul>	ACA
Eligible Entity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The term “Eligible Entity” means any State of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.</li> <li>In this case, Eligible Entity refers to ACA.</li> </ul>	N/A
Subrecipient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The term “subrecipient” means an entity that receives grant funds from an Eligible Entity to carry out eligible activities. In this document, a “subrecipient” may also be referred to as a “subgrantee.”</li> </ul>	N/A
Underserved Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The term “underserved location” means a broadband-serviceable location that is (a) not an unserved location, and (b) that the Broadband DATA Maps show as lacking access to Reliable Broadband Service offered with—(i) a speed of not less than 100 Mbps for downloads; and (ii) a speed of not less than 20 Mbps for uploads; and (iii) latency less than or equal to 100 milliseconds</li> </ul>	N/A

Term	Definition	Acronym (if applicable)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An underserved service project is defined as a project in which not less than 80% of broadband-serviceable locations served by the project are unserved locations or underserved locations. An “Underserved Service Project” may be as small as a single underserved broadband serviceable location (NOFO Section I.C.cc).</li> </ul>	
Community Anchor Institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The term “community anchor institution” means an entity such as a school, library, health clinic, health center, hospital or other medical provider, public safety entity, institution of higher education, public housing organization, or community support organization that facilitates greater use of broadband service by vulnerable populations, including, but not limited to, low-income individuals, unemployed individuals, children, the incarcerated, and aged individuals.</li> <li>A Community Anchor Institution that lacks access to Gigabit-level broadband service is an eligible service location under the BEAD program</li> </ul>	CAI
Unserved Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The term “unserved location” means a broadband-serviceable location that the Broadband DATA Maps show as (a) having no access to broadband service, or (b) lacking access to Reliable Broadband Service offered with—(i) a speed of not less than 25 Mbps for downloads; and (ii) a speed of not less than 3 Mbps for uploads; and (iii) latency less than or equal to 100 milliseconds.</li> </ul>	N/A
Broadband; Broadband Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The term “broadband” or “broadband service” has the meaning given the term “broadband internet access service” in Section 8.1(b) of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation, that it is a mass-market retail service by wire or radio that provides the capability to transmit data to and receive data from all or substantially all internet endpoints, including any capabilities that are incidental to and enable the operation of the communications service, but</li> </ul>	N/A

Term	Definition	Acronym (if applicable)
	excluding dial-up internet access service. This term also encompasses any service that the Commission finds to be providing a functional equivalent of the service described in the previous sentence or that is used to evade the protections set forth in this part.	
Initial Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A report to the Assistant Secretary from ACA to describe the planned and actual use of funds, the subrecipient process, mechanisms to ensure subrecipient compliance with BEAD program eligible uses, and any additional required information.</li> </ul>	N/A
Semiannual Project Performance and Progress Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Microsoft Excel template provided to subrecipients to ACA to summarize project progress, financial status, and regulatory compliance semiannually. Subrecipients must submit this report to ACA semiannually, aiding ACA in reporting to the NTIA and ensuring close monitoring, issue identification, and performance measurement to align with BEAD program goals and objectives.</li> </ul>	N/A
Final Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A report required by the Assistant Secretary from ACA one year after all grant funds are expended detailing fund expenditures, services provided, broadband service locations, demographics served, and compliance with BEAD requirements. Subrecipients will be required to submit information to ACA to help populate this report.</li> </ul>	N/A



## 8. Appendix B: BEAD Supporting Documents

Term	Definition
<a href="#">BEAD General Terms &amp; Conditions</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BEAD grant funding General Terms &amp; Conditions provided by the NTIA.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">BEAD NOFO</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment Program. It outlines the requirements required to submit the Final Proposal.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">NTIA BEAD FAQs</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Frequently asked questions by an Eligible Entity regarding numerous topics such as the Challenge Process, Subrecipient Selection Process, Final Proposal questions and more.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">BEAD Final Proposal Guidance</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This document provides guidance and requirements for BEAD Financial proposal</li> </ul>
<a href="#">BEAD Subgrantee Selection Primer</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This document provides a high-level overview of how an Eligible Entity can conduct a Subrecipient Selection Process.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">BEAD Build America, Buy America Waiver Request for Comment</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In accordance with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA), this notice advises that the Department of Commerce (DOC) proposes to issue a limited, general applicability, nonavailability waiver of the Buy America Domestic Content Procurement Preference (Buy America Preference) to recipients of Federal financial assistance under NTIA's BEAD program, which will flow down to subrecipients. The waiver is provided in the attached link.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">BEAD BABA FAQ</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Department of Commerce BEAD BABA specific FAQ 2/2024</li> </ul>
<a href="#">BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This Policy Notice modifies and replaces certain requirements outlined in the BEAD NOFO. Each Subrecipient must comply with this Policy Notice to gain approval of its Final Proposal from the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">BEAD Subrecipient Qualifications</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The BEAD NOFO (Section IV.D) requires an Eligible Entity to ensure that all prospective subrecipients can carry out activities funded by the subgrant in a competent manner and in compliance with all applicable laws.</li> <li>This Subrecipient Qualifications Evaluation Guide provides an overview of the BEAD NOFO requirements and how to evaluate the qualifications of prospective BEAD subrecipients.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">Subrecipient vs. Subcontractor Guidance</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This checklist provides a Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Eligible Entity with considerations to determine if a partnering entity should be considered a subrecipient or a subcontractor. Note, for BEAD deployment projects, Eligible Entities must use competitively awarded subgrants.</li> </ul>

Term	Definition
<a href="#">Fixed Amount Subaward Primer</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This primer provides a Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) program Eligible Entity with guidance on fixed amount subawards, which are only allowed for subgrants in which the major purpose of the project is broadband infrastructure deployment.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">Notification of Provisional Selections</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This document provides an Eligible Entity guidance on the requirements they must satisfy before public notification of provisional BEAD subrecipient selections.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">Guidance on NTIA National Environmental Policy Act Compliance</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guidance on NEPA process requirements, roles and responsibilities, and Appendices applicable to NTIA programs effective April 2024.</li> <li>NOTE: BEAD subgrantees should view the BEAD general terms and conditions and NEPA for BEAD resources for additional context on roles and responsibilities in the BEAD program.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">Selecting Technology Policy Notice One Pager</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This resource provides comprehensive guidance on obtaining applications during subrecipient selection for deploying broadband service to all unserved and underserved locations, prioritizing the most robust, affordable, and scalable technologies.</li> </ul>