



**EMPLOYMENT AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

BEAD Challenge Weekly Office Hours August 1st, 2024

Presented by the Office of Broadband Development



Today's agenda:

- BEAD Challenge timeline
- Updates
- Additional resources
- Portal demo from AppGeo
- Questions?



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BEAD Challenge Timeline

*July 15th-July 21st:
BEAD Challenge Portal opens, pre-registration begins*



July 22nd-August 21st
30-day BEAD Challenge Window

August 22nd-September 20th
30-day BEAD Rebuttal window. *Rebuttal is due 30 days after notification.*

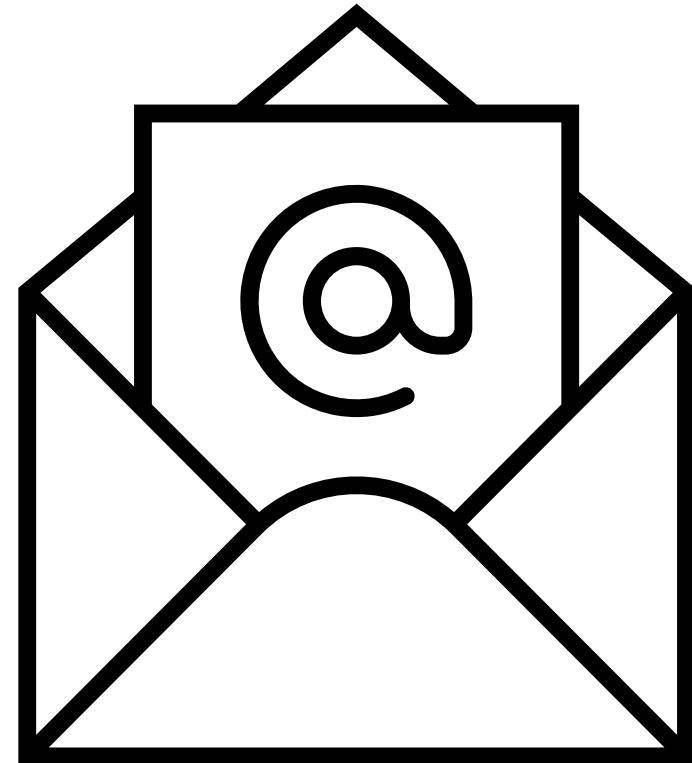
September 21st-October 21st
30-day BEAD Adjudication by OBD

Updates

- Reminder: If you are a provider and not registered in the Challenge Portal, you won't get the automatic notification when locations you reported you served are being challenged. Registered users will also be able to see all open challenges. Certain challenges (not directed towards an ISP - e.g. CAI challenges and enforceable commitments) will land in the Open Rebuttals dashboard and will be visible to all registered users. Registered and non-registered users (a household/business) can enter an address and see on the map if the location is challenged. Under NTIA requirements, only providers, local and tribal governments and non-profits are eligible to challenge.
- The CostQuest NTIA helpdesk will pause distribution of new fabric data requests starting on 7/31/24. CostQuest is doing this to prepare for distribution of the FCC release 06/30/2024, version 5 to the NTIA Fabric license holders. CostQuest anticipates resuming new distribution requests by 8/15/2024.
- An FAQ on the BEAD program and Challenge Process will be added to the webpage early next week

Additional resources

- Sign up for the OBD emails:
mn.gov/deed/programs-services/broadband/contact/
- Keep an eye on the OBD webpage for the latest info + resources on BEAD:
mn.gov/deed/programs-services/broadband/bead/
- Contact OBD:
deed.broadband@state.mn.us
or (651) 259-7610



Minnesota's Federal Program Officer

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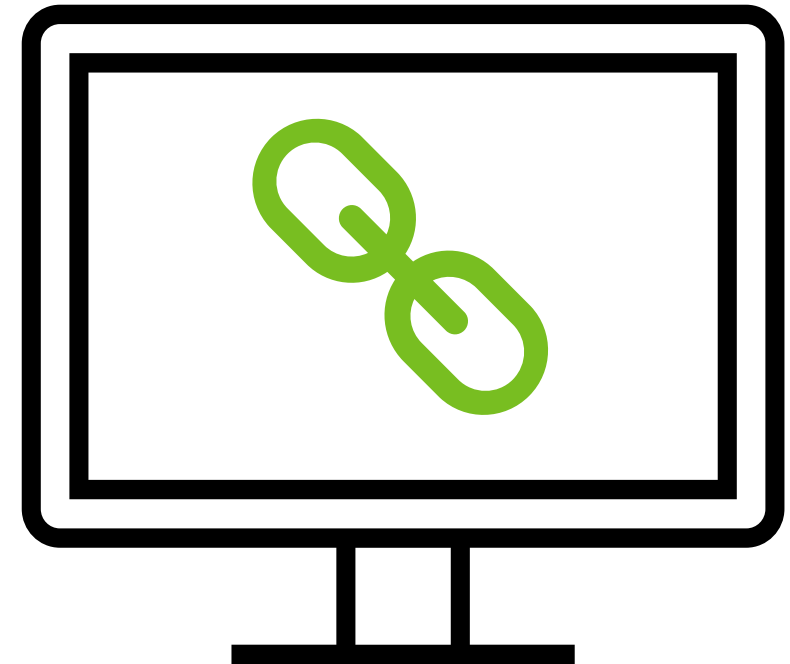
- Federal Program Officer, Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth (OICG)
- National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA),
US Department of Commerce
- Email: TKarst@NTIA.gov
- For more information on NTIA's: InternetForAll.gov



Upcoming office hours

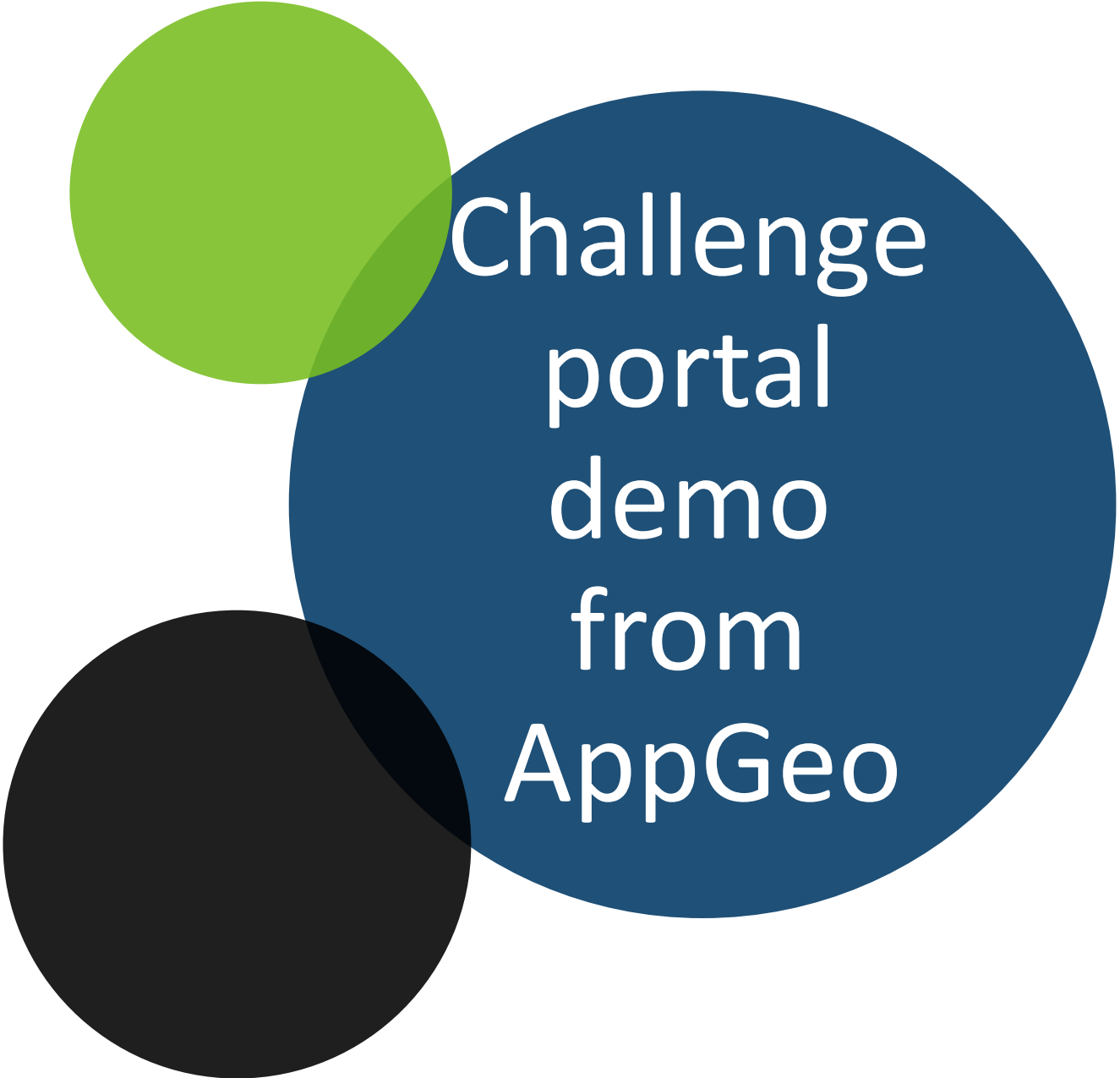
- **Registration links for upcoming sessions:**

- Thursday August 8th, [register here](#)
- Thursday August 15th, [register here](#)
- Thursday August 22nd, [register here](#)
- Thursday August 29th, [register here](#)
- Thursday September 5th, [register here](#)
- Thursday September 12th, [register here](#)
- Thursday September 19th, [register here](#)



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