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BEAD Program Introduction

INTERNET FOR ALL

BEAD program will provide ~$42.5B for infrastructure planning and implementation.

Funding pool
$42.45B

A program to get all Americans online by funding partnerships between states or territories, communities, and stakeholders to build infrastructure where we need to and increase adoption of high-speed Internet service.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

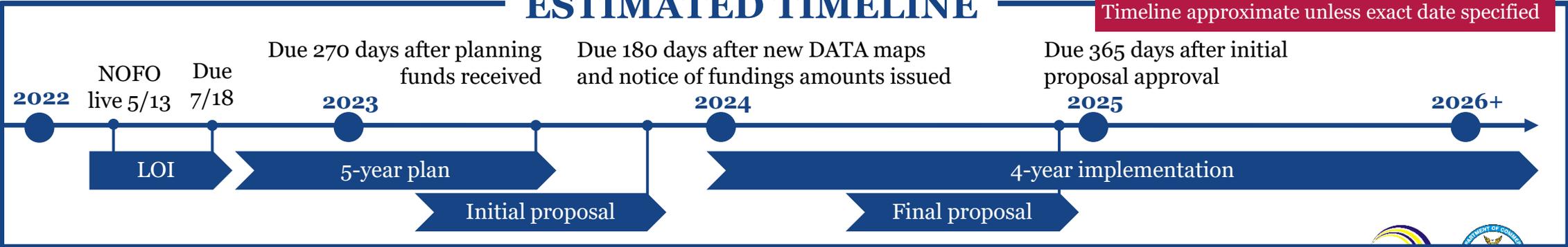### Entities eligible to apply for this program include:

- All 50 States
- The District of Columbia and Puerto Rico
- Other Territories: U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Example eligible uses of funds include:

- ☆ Planning for deployment of the Internet
- ☆ Deploying or upgrading Internet service
- ☆ Installing Internet in multi-tenant buildings
- ☆ Implementing adoption and digital equity programs
- ☆ Workforce and job training

ESTIMATED TIMELINE

Timeline approximate unless exact date specified

Due 270 days after planning funds received

Due 180 days after new DATA maps and notice of fundings amounts issued

Due 365 days after initial proposal approval

2022 NOFO live 5/13 Due 7/18 **2023** **2024** **2025** **2026+**

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5-year plan

Initial proposal

4-year implementation

Final proposal
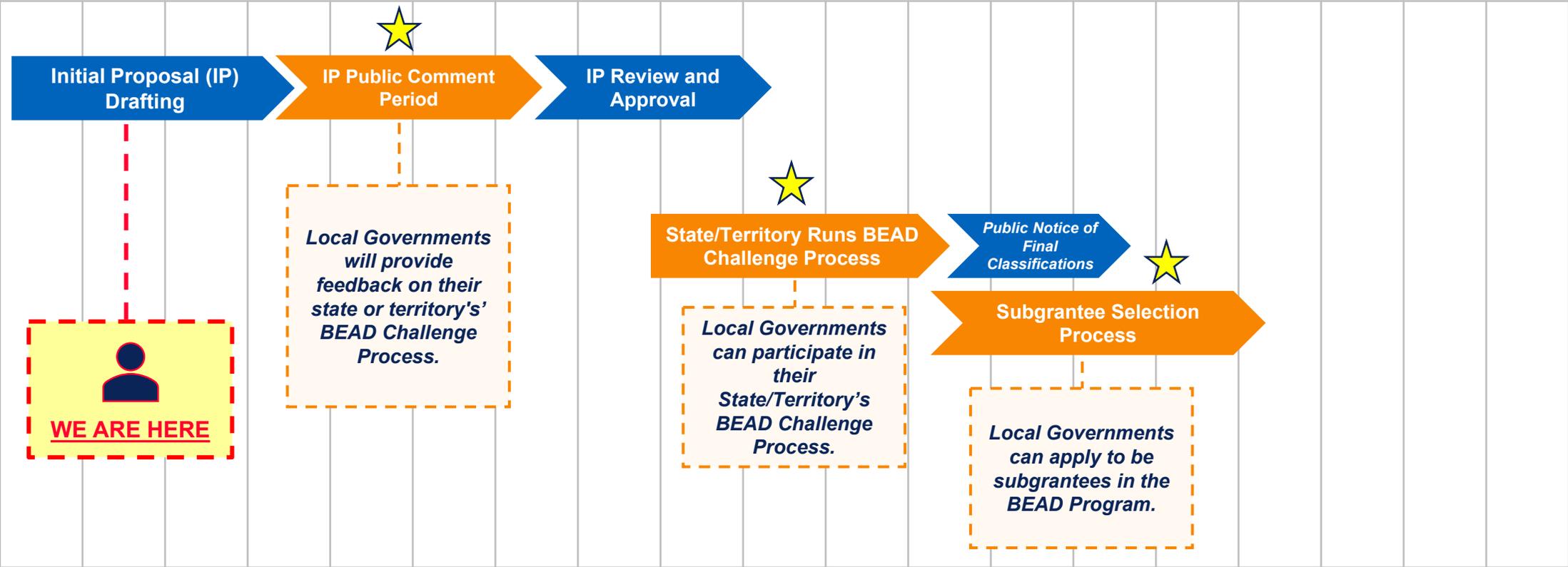
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Ensuring Complete Coverage

The BEAD Program requires complete coverage of unserved locations and underserved locations (where funding permits)

(1) **States and Territories must serve all unserved locations (including multi-tenant buildings)**

Unserved locations without reliable Internet service and with download speeds <25 Mbps, upload speeds <3 Mbps, and latency <100ms

(2) **States and Territories must serve all underserved locations**

Underserved locations without reliable Internet service and with download speeds <100 Mbps, upload speeds <20 Mbps, and latency <100 ms

(3) **NTIA strongly urges States and Territories serve Eligible Community Anchor Institutions**

- *Eligible Community Anchor Institutions* are entities (e.g., school, library, hospital) that facilitate greater use of high-speed Internet service by vulnerable populations and have download speed <1 Gbps
- *Other eligible uses* include affordability programs, cybersecurity training, workforce development, etc.
- *If state/territory wants to use funds for other eligible uses instead of eligible Community Anchor Institutions, then it must provide a strong rationale*

Note: If a state/territory has a plan to deploy service to all unserved and underserved locations within its jurisdiction, it may pursue non-deployment initiatives before or while deployment projects are underway

Timeline of the Initial Proposal for BEAD

Local Governments are involved throughout the entire Initial Proposal timeline, as they will provide public comment on the BEAD Challenge Process and patriciate in it as well. Note that timelines will be dependent on the Eligible Entity.

Initial Proposal (IP) Drafting → **IP Public Comment Period** → **IP Review and Approval**

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Local Governments will provide feedback on their state or territory's' BEAD Challenge Process.

State/Territory Runs BEAD Challenge Process → **Public Notice of Final Classifications**

Subgrantee Selection Process

Local Governments can participate in their State/Territory's BEAD Challenge Process.

Local Governments can apply to be subgrantees in the BEAD Program.

Key | State/Territory/SBO Activity   Local Government/Organization Activity

Goals of the BEAD Program

BEAD helps deliver high-speed Internet access, affordability, and adoption.
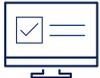
Access

Increases access for unserved and underserved households to ensure that all Americans have access to high-speed Internet service

Ensures Americans have access to **high-quality, high-speed Internet service** to support full participation in the 21st century economy and beyond

Affordability

Supports **affordability** of high-speed Internet services, esp. in low-income households

Fosters a system that **promotes long-term, sustainable, affordable solutions**

Adoption and equity

Enables investment in digital skills training to increase the number of households adopting high-speed Internet service and narrow adoption disparities

Makes investments to ensure Americans can **participate in economy & society, reducing inequities** across sectors, including healthcare, workforce & education

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