



Idaho Office of Broadband Update: October 2024

The Idaho Office of Broadband and Idaho Broadband Advisory Board are excited to share the following update with the State's partners and stakeholders.

Idaho BEAD Program

- Idaho's <u>BEAD Initial Proposal Volume II</u> was officially approved by NTIA on Thursday, September 5, 2024. Therefore, Idaho is now on the clock and has 365-days to complete and submit the State's Final Proposal. See final, approved IP Volume II on <u>Link Up Idaho</u>.
- BEAD Challenge Process: See Final Determination Dashboard <u>here</u>.
 - All Challenge Process data, final determinations and the BSL eligibility list were submitted to NTIA by 10/1/24 in accordance with the BEAD NOFO and the 120-day timeline for the BEAD Challenge Process. (Opened June 3, 2024)
 - o Important to note: Data reflected on the dashboard is <u>not final</u>, but as submitted to NTIA and is pending final NTIA review and approval.
 - Office Hours: Tuesday, 10/8 @ 9am-10am MT via Zoom Tuesday, 10/15 @ 10:30am-11:30am MT via Zoom
- Next steps Include:
 - The publication of BEAD Application Project Areas and the initiation of the Prequalification Application Phase to begin identifying eligible applicants. Idaho is still weeks away from either occurring, so standby and continue to monitor Link Up Idaho.
 - The IOB will be diligently working on documents, guidelines and planning tools to help all stakeholders.

Idaho Broadband Advisory Board

Next IBAB Meeting: Wednesday, October 16, 2024 @ 10am-noon MT.

Meeting details and agenda are forthcoming.

Stay informed, engaged and educated by monitoring Link Up Idaho.