

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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### **BEAD Restructuring: ULFW and BEAD Location Eligibility**

Unlicensed fixed wireless providers in the CNMI are hereby notified that they have **seven calendar days (until Friday, June 22) to indicate that they intend** to submit evidence that BEAD funding is not required for the locations they serve in line with major federal revisions to the BEAD program in the **BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice** published June 6, 2025 (see *Section 4: Optimizing BEAD Locations and Appendix A*).

The CNMI Broadband Policy and Development Office (BPD) stresses, that **providers must submit a new notice of intent to submit evidence and new evidence to remove locations they claim to serve from BEAD eligibility**, regardless of whether they provide such intent in the past or not.

**ULFW providers will have 7calendar days** from the date of their notice of intent to submit documentation supporting the claim that that the existing ULFW services meet the same technical and service standards required for a BEAD subgrant (*see Appendix A of the Restructuring BEAD Policy Notice*). If a ULFW service provider demonstrates that it meets the requirements specified by this Policy Notice, the served locations will be ineligible for BEAD Program funding.

Providers should review the technical criteria in Appendix A and be prepared to submit appropriate documentation as well as a list of locations for which they intend to assert service in the seven-day window following their notification of intent to claim service. Only locations where the FCC National Broadband Map indicates potentially qualifying unlicensed fixed wireless service is currently available will be considered in terms of determining BEAD eligibility.