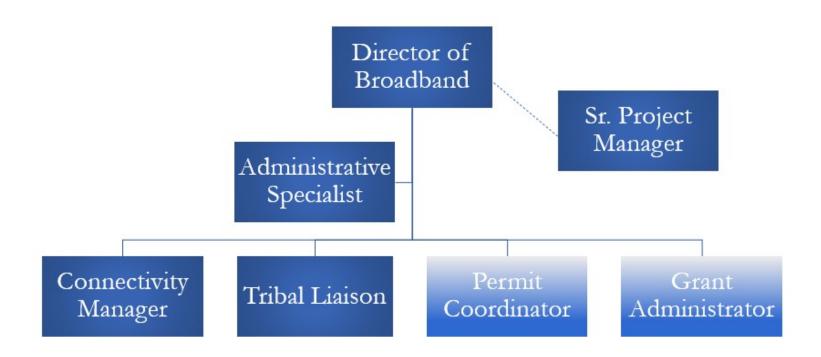


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ALASKA BROADBAND OFFICE FEDERAL PROGRAM UPDATE November 14, 2022



Broadband Office - Organization Chart





Federal Program Update

Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program (BEAD)

- Allocates \$42 Billion for all States and Territories
 - \$100 Million Minimum Allocation for each State and Territory
 - Second Tranche is funding is allocated based on Unserved in "High Cost" area as a percentage of total "High Cost" areas in the United States, and
 - The remainder is allocated using Unserved Alaska over Unserved total US
- Disbursement of Alaska's Allocation of the \$42 Billion
 - Alaska's allocation will be disbursed, through grants, based on percentage of locations that are
 - 1. Unserved (less than 25Mbps/3Mbps)
 - 2. Underserved (less than 100Mbps/20Mbps) and
 - 3. Unserved Community Anchor Institutions (less than 1Gbps/1Gbps)



BEAD Milestones

State of Alaska Activities

NTIA Activities

Five-Year Action Plan (max 270 Days)

Initial Proposal (max 180 Days)

At Least 20% Funding
Authorized

Final Proposal (max 365 Days)

Remaining Funding
Authorized

Approval of Plan

Approval of Initial

Proposal

Approval of

Notice of Funding Allocations

State Mapping Challenge/Grant Program

Final Proposal



Definition of Served/Underserved/Unserved

Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program

• Unserved:

- Cannot achieve 25 Mbps Download Bandwidth (Watching a video)
- Cannot Achieve 3 Mbps Download Bandwidth (Posting)

Underserved:

- Minimum 25 Mbps Download Bandwidth of 25 Mbps, but cannot reach 100Mbps
- Minimum 3 Mbps Upload Bandwidth, but cannot reach 20 Mbps

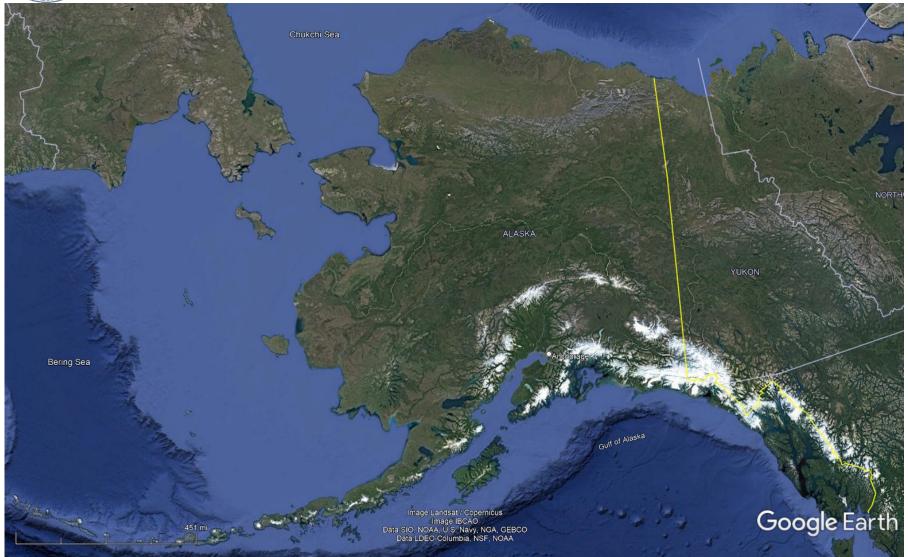
Served:

- Minimum 100 Mbps Download Bandwidth
- Minimum 20 Mbps Upload Bandwidth

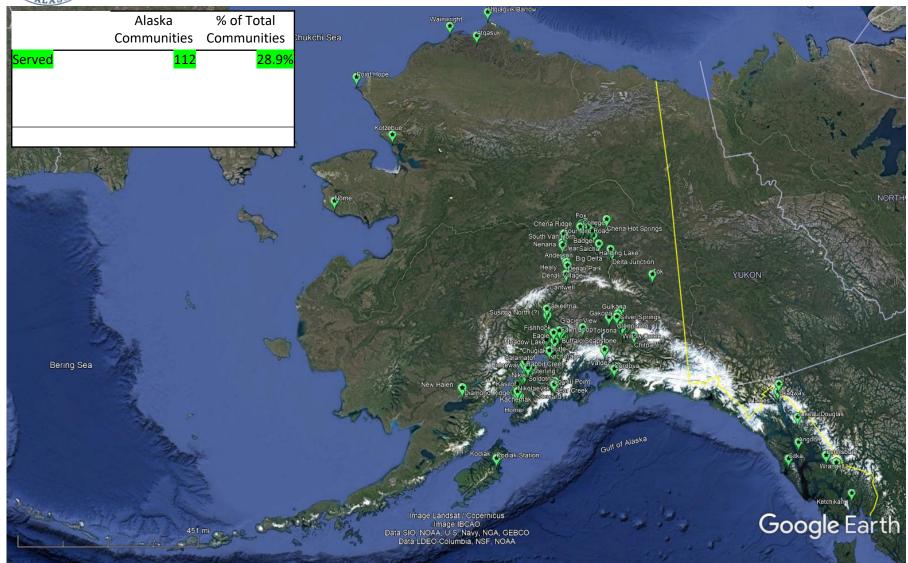
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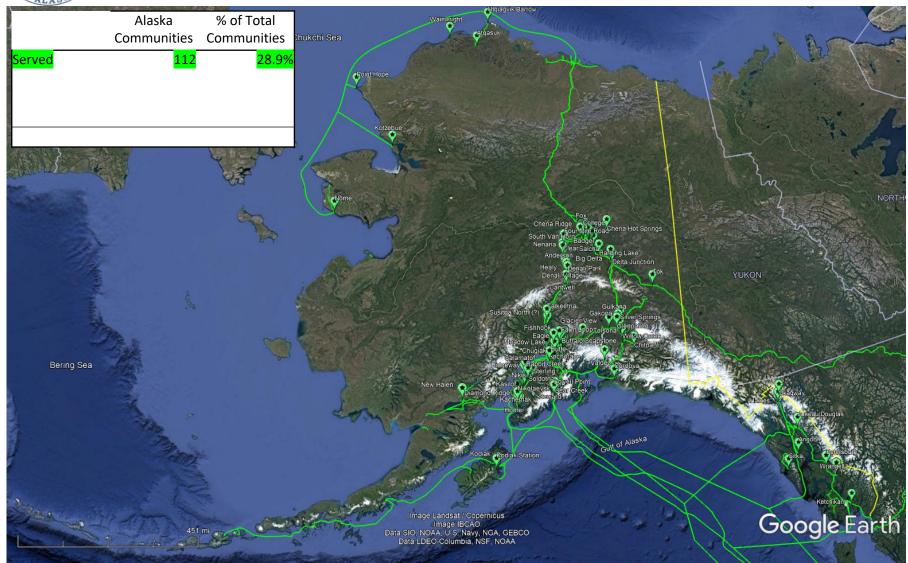
Understanding Alaska's Broadband Needs



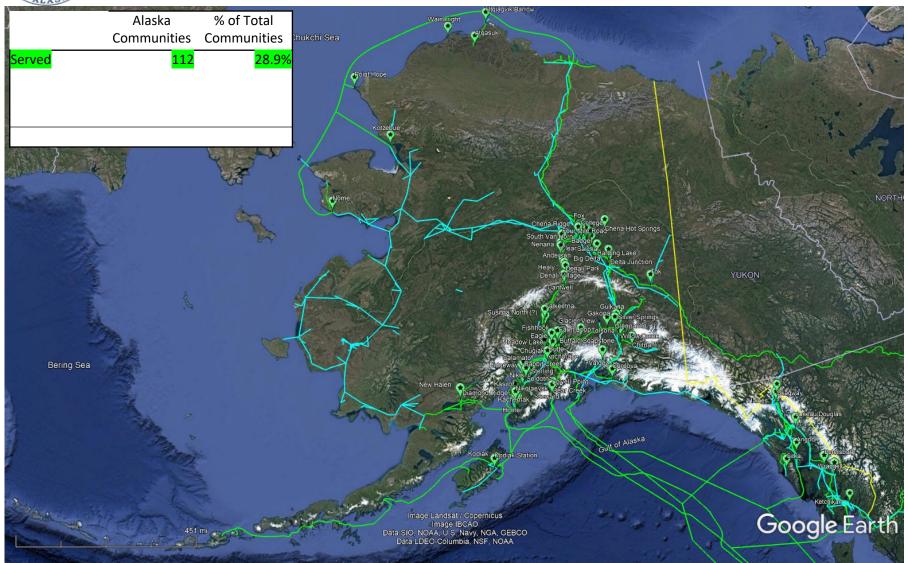




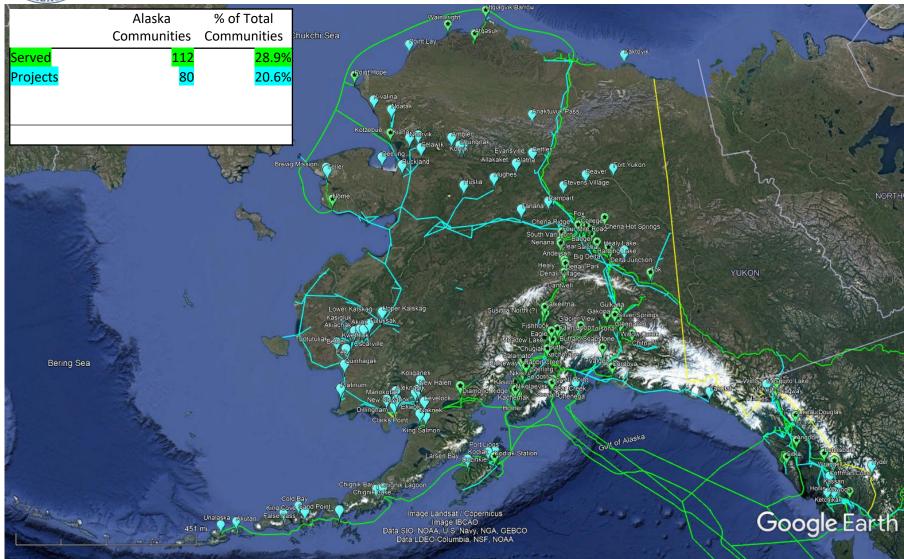




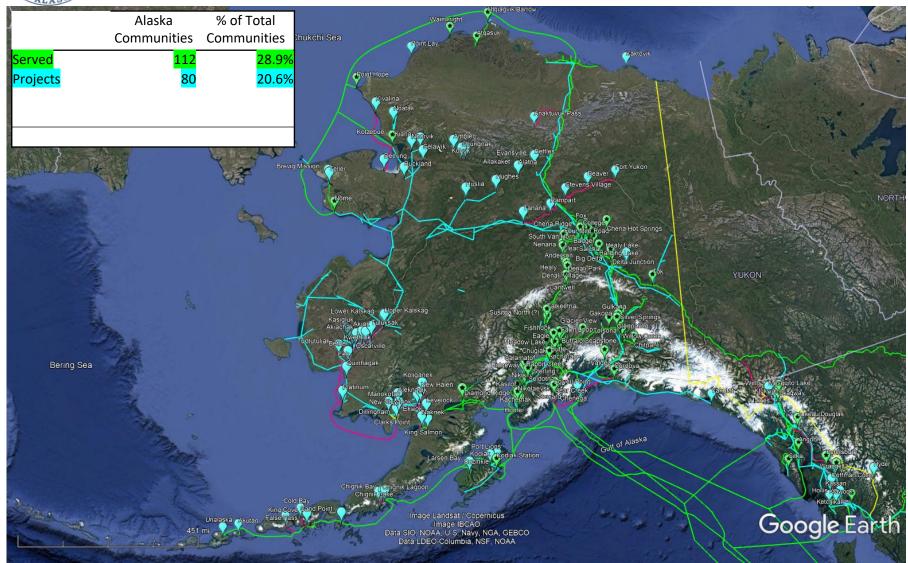




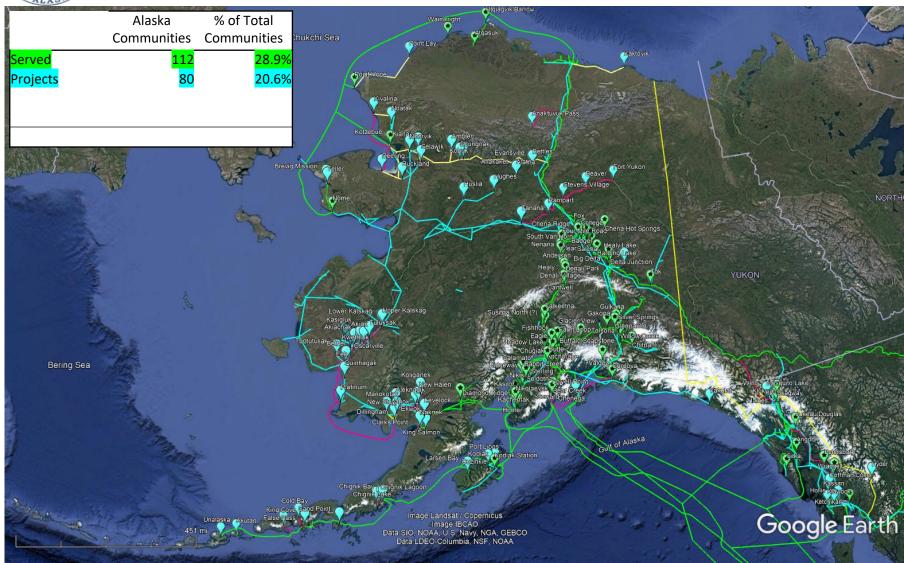




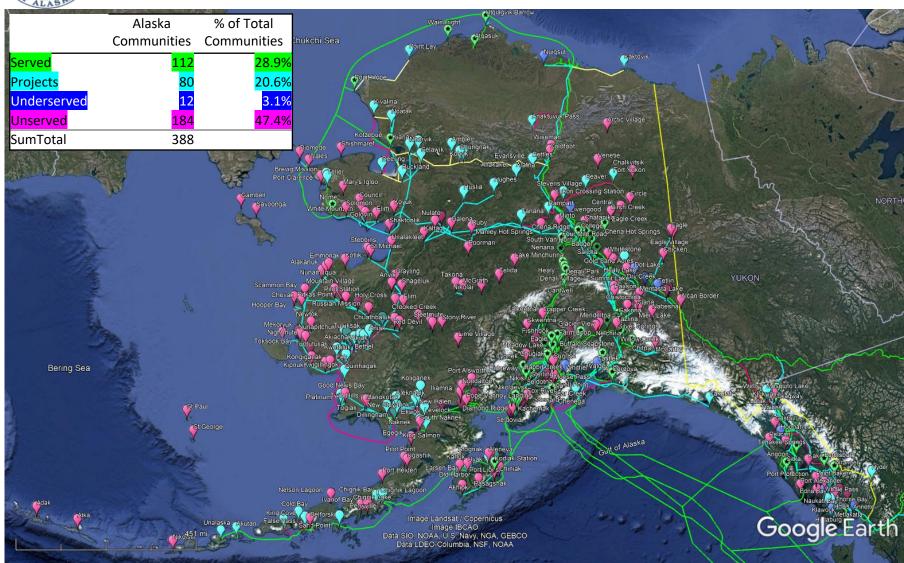




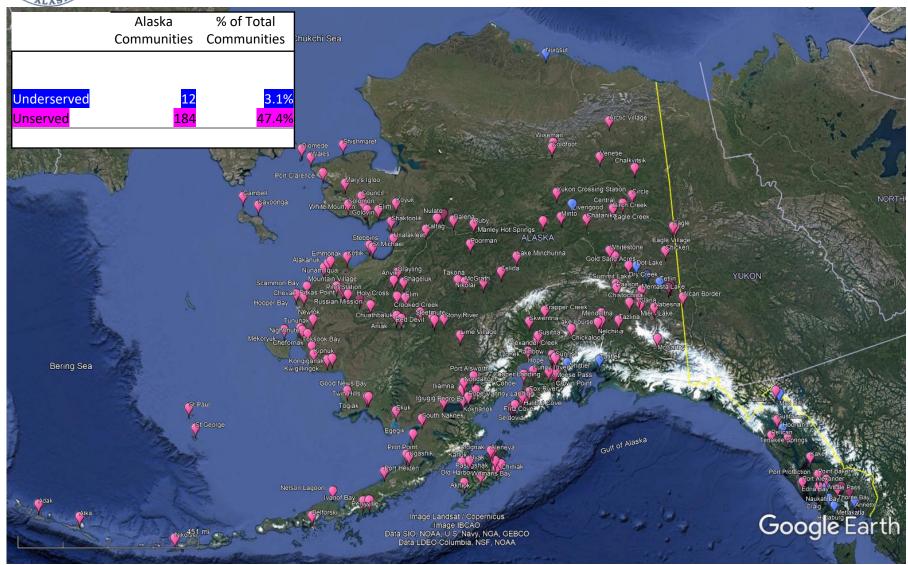














Alaska Broadband Office - Next Steps

Work with Tribes, Villages, Communities, Industry, Regional Corporations, AFN, AML and others to develop and submit a Five-Year Action Plan.

Five Year Action Plan Components	
Outreach:	
Digital Equity Inclusion and External Engagement Process	
Alignment with Other Statewide Social/Economic/Infrastructure Plans	
Network:	
Broadband Service Needs	
Asset Inventory	
Deployment Barriers & Obstacle Identification	
Comprehensive High-Speed Internet Plan	
Logistical:	
Outline of Broadband Office, Employees, Consultants & Contractors, Program Work, and Anticipated Technical Assistance & Capacity Needs	
Broadband Funding Identification (Federal, State, Local and Tribal Providers) and Broadband Affordability Data	



Federal Program Update

Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program (BEAD) Next Steps:

Five Year Action Plan:

- Near Term Activities:
 - Website completion
 - Fabric Mapping
 - Setup weekly outreach meetings
 - 1. Use and Adoption
 - 2. Technical Design

• Longer Term Activities:

- Facilitate and Work with Tribes, Villages, Communities, Industry, Regional Corporations, AFN, AML and others to develop
 - 1. Digital Equity plan
 - 2. Workforce Development plan
 - 3. Network Design/Permit Streamlining
 - 4. Integration of Network Design with other infrastructure initiatives

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Thank you