

Project: Broadband Acceleration Grant Yr 2 - Public Comment

Submitted by Cindy Wallace on 02/28/2022

Please provide your name:

Cindy Wallace

Which of the following best describes you? (Check all that apply)

- Business leader in proposed service area
- Elected or Government official

I am providing comments related to the following application (choose one):

Ideatek - Seward County

I am submitting comments to express

Support for a project

Please provide your comments in the text box below.

Outlying areas outside of the City of Liberal lacks in many cases basic internet services and they need faster and reliable internet speeds. This will help quality of life as well as connect residents in these areas to reliable internet services to help them with their needs from farming, to home based businesses, to educational instruction and healthcare services.

Please provide supporting documentation to support your comments. Concerns related to overbuilds should include explicit data such as Census block and address specific data. Submit multiple files as a single ZIP file.

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Submitted by Eli Svaty on 03/07/2022

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Eli Svaty

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I was unfamiliar with IdeaTek until their work in broadband expansion brought them to eastern Seward County and the community of Kismet. Thanks to funding from the state of Kansas, IdeaTek was able to connect that town and many others in Meade County. I have heard nothing but great feedback about the internet service they now offer to the residents of Kismet, Plains, Meade, and rural Meade County.

While their application for broadband infrastructure in this grant might seem like a small corridor in eastern Seward County, it's vital to the economic vitality of our region. That portion of the county is home to several of our most important value-added agriculture facilities, and it's critical that those industries are supported with quality high-speed internet.

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