

§ 1703. Broadband DATA maps**(a) Definition**

In this section, the term “Commission” means the Federal Communications Commission.

(b) Provision of information

A broadband provider shall provide the Commission with any information, in the format, type, or specification requested by the Commission, necessary to augment the collection of data by the Commission under—

- (1) title VIII of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 641 et seq.); or
- (2) the Form 477 data collection program.

(c) Notice of initial broadband DATA collection filing deadline

The Commission—

(1) shall provide notice to broadband providers not later than 60 days before the initial deadline for submission of data under section 802(a)(1)(A) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 642(a)(1)(A)); and

(2) notwithstanding any prior decision of the Commission to the contrary, shall not be required to provide notice not later than 6 months before the initial deadline described in paragraph (1).

(Pub. L. 117–58, div. F, title I, § 60103, Nov. 15, 2021, 135 Stat. 1205.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Communications Act of 1934, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), is act June 19, 1934, ch. 652, 48 Stat. 1064. Title VIII of the Act is classified generally to subchapter VII (§ 641 et seq.) of chapter 5 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 609 of this title and Tables.

CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of section 60103 of Pub. L. 117–58. Subsecs. (d) and (e) of section 60103 of Pub. L. 117–58 amended section 642 of this title.

§ 1704. Broadband Deployment Locations Map**(a) Definitions**

In this section:

(1) Broadband infrastructure

The term “broadband infrastructure” means any cables, fiber optics, wiring, or other permanent (integral to the structure) infrastructure, including wireless infrastructure, that—

- (A) is capable of providing access to internet connections in individual locations; and
- (B) is an advanced telecommunications capability, as defined in section 1302(d) of this title.

(2) Commission

The term “Commission” means the Federal Communications Commission.

(3) Deployment Locations Map

The term “Deployment Locations Map” means the mapping tool required to be established under subsection (b).

(b) Establishment of Deployment Locations Map

Not later than 18 months after November 15, 2021, the Commission shall, in consultation with

all relevant Federal agencies, establish an online mapping tool to provide a locations overview of the overall geographic footprint of each broadband infrastructure deployment project funded by the Federal Government.

(c) Requirements

The Deployment Locations Map shall be—

- (1) the centralized, authoritative source of information on funding made available by the Federal Government for broadband infrastructure deployment in the United States; and
- (2) made publicly available on the website of the Commission.

(d) Functions

In establishing the Deployment Locations Map, the Commission shall ensure that the Deployment Locations Map—

(1) compiles data related to Federal funding for broadband infrastructure deployment provided by the Commission, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of the Treasury, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Institute of Museum and Library Sciences, and any other Federal agency that provides such data relating to broadband infrastructure deployment funding to the Commission, including funding under—

(A) this Act;

(B) the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Public Law 116–136);

(C) the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260);

(D) American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117–2); or

(E) any Federal amounts appropriated or any Federal program authorized after November 15, 2021, to fund broadband infrastructure deployment;

(2) contains data, with respect to each broadband infrastructure deployment program, relating to—

(A) the Federal agency of jurisdiction;

(B) the program title; and

(C) the network type, including wired, terrestrial fixed, wireless, mobile, and satellite broadband infrastructure deployment;

(3) allows users to manipulate the Deployment Locations Map to identify, search, and filter broadband infrastructure deployment projects by—

(A) company name;

(B) duration timeline, including the dates of a project’s beginning and ending, or anticipated beginning or ending date;

(C) total number of locations to which a project makes service available; and

(D) relevant download and upload speeds; and

(4) incorporates broadband service availability data as depicted in the Broadband Map created under section 642(c)(1) of this title.

(e) Periodic updates**(1) In general**

The Commission shall, in consultation with relevant Federal agencies, ensure the Deploy-

ment Locations Map is maintained and up to date on a periodic basis, but not less frequently than once every 180 days.

(2) Other Federal agencies

Each Federal agency providing funding for broadband infrastructure deployment shall report relevant data to the Commission on a periodic basis.

(f) No effect on programmatic missions

Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect the programmatic missions of Federal agencies providing funding for broadband infrastructure development.

(g) Nonduplication

The requirements in this section shall be consistent with and avoid duplication with the provisions of section 903 of division FF of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260) [47 U.S.C. 1307].

(h) Funding

Of the amounts appropriated to carry out this division under this Act, \$10,000,000 shall be made available to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 117-58, div. F, title I, § 60105, Nov. 15, 2021, 135 Stat. 1206.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in subsecs. (d)(1)(A) and (h), means div. F of Pub. L. 117-58, Nov. 15, 2021, 135 Stat. 1182, see Definitions note set out below. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, referred to in subsec. (d)(1)(B), also known as the CARES Act, is Pub. L. 116-136, Mar. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 281, which enacted chapter 116 (§ 9001 et seq.) of Title 15, Commerce and Trade, and enacted, amended, and repealed numerous other sections and notes in the Code. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 9001 of Title 15 and Tables.

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, referred to in subsec. (d)(1)(C), is Pub. L. 116-260, Dec. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 1182. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, referred to in subsec. (d)(1)(D), is Pub. L. 117-2, Mar. 11, 2021, 135 Stat. 4. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 2021 Amendment note set out under section 9001 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade, and Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

DEFINITIONS

For definition of “this Act” as used in this section, see section 2 of Pub. L. 117-58, set out as a note under section 1 of Title 1, General Provisions.

§ 1705. Grants for broadband connectivity

(a) Definitions

In this section:

(1) Assistant Secretary

The term “Assistant Secretary” means the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information.

(2) Broadband or broadband service.—

The term “broadband” or “broadband service” has the meaning given the term

“broadband internet access service” in section 8.1(b) of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.

(3) Commission

The term “Commission” means the Federal Communications Commission.

(4) Covered broadband project

The term “covered broadband project” means a competitively and technologically neutral project for the deployment of fixed broadband service that provides qualifying broadband service in an eligible service area.

(5) Covered partnership

The term “covered partnership” means a partnership between—

(A) a State, or 1 or more political subdivisions of a State; and

(B) a provider of fixed broadband service.

(6) Department

The term “Department” means the Department of Commerce.

(7) Eligible service area

The term “eligible service area” means a census block in which broadband service is not available at 1 or more households or businesses in the census block, as determined by the Assistant Secretary on the basis of—

(A) the maps created under section 802(c)(1) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 642(c)(1)); or

(B) if the maps described in subparagraph (A) are not available, the most recent information available to the Assistant Secretary, including information provided by the Commission.

(8) Eligible entity

The term “eligible entity” means—

(A) a Tribal Government;

(B) a Tribal College or University;

(C) the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands on behalf of the Native Hawaiian Community, including Native Hawaiian Education Programs;

(D) a Tribal organization; or

(E) a Native Corporation.

(9) Native Corporation

The term “Native Corporation” has the meaning given the term in section 1602 of title 43.

(10) Native Hawaiian

The term “Native Hawaiian” has the meaning given the term in section 4221 of title 25.

(11) Qualifying broadband service

The term “qualifying broadband service” means broadband service with—

(A) a download speed of not less than 25 megabits per second;

(B) an upload speed of not less than 3 megabits per second; and

(C) a latency sufficient to support real-time, interactive applications.

(12) Tribal Government

The term “Tribal Government” means the governing body of any Indian or Alaska Native