

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT & JOBS ACT OF 2021  
APPROPRIATION AND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST  
SECTION 36 OF ACT 1006 OF 2025

FY 2026  
IIJA-Direct

Agency: ACOM - AEDC - State Broadband Office Business Area Code: 0790  
Program Title: Broadband Equity Access Deployment (BEAD)  
Granting Organization: U.S. Dept. of Commerce - NTIA CFDA #: 11.035  
Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 7/1/2025 Ending: 6/30/2026

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):  
The federal BEAD grant program will fund broadband infrastructure grants as outlined by federal requirements and Arkansas' BEAD initial proposal Volume 2 document, as approved by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), a federal agency under the U.S. Department of Commerce. These requirements include awarding broadband infrastructure grants to internet service providers (ISPs) to provide broadband access to approximately 84,000 homes, businesses, and community anchor institutions. Additional projects include the support of digital safety and social media education for elementary students, broadband-specific workforce development, and the production and submission to NTIA of the BEAD Final Proposal, which will include all provisional grant awards. Funding included within the federal grant includes salaries, personal services match, maintenance & operating expenses, travel, training, broadband infrastructure subgrants, subgrantee management, and professional services. An additional position is requested to support continued operation, and appropriation is requested to continue into FY2026.

Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act Program Funding

Func. Area: COMM Fund Code: FII7901 Continuation of Existing Program: X  
Funds Center: B15 Internal Order/WBS Element: \_\_\_\_\_ Change in Existing Program: \_\_\_\_\_  
New Program: \_\_\_\_\_

	Program Funding Amount
Regular Salaries	
Extra Help	
Personal Services Matching	
Operating Expenses	
Conference & Travel Expenses	
Professional Fees	
Capital Outlay	
Data Processing	
Grants and Aid (CI: 04)	
Other: 590:00:46	7,397,596
Other:	
Total	\$ 7,397,596

Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 6/30/2032

State Technology Plan Approval	Date
Items requested for information technology must be in compliance with Technology Plans as submitted.	

Positions to be established: (list each position separately)

Org Unit	Pers Area	Pers SubArea	Cost Center	Position Number	Cmnt Item	Position Title	Class Code	Grade	Line Item Maximum *
22181653	EC01	NEL1		NEW	501:00:00	IT Infrastructure Analyst	IIS04P	IST06	

State funds will not be used to replace federal funds when such funds expire, unless appropriated by the General Assembly and authorized by the Governor.

Approved by: A. H. Arizal 5-14-25 Cayce Raney 06/03/25  
Cabinet Secretary/Agency Director Date Office of Budget Date

Kay Barnhill  
Office of Personnel Mgmt Date 5/20/25

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