

Proposal/Application Evaluation Criteria/Scoring

BIP Broadband Infrastructure Program

Project Purpose (Total Points)	25
Proportion of Rural Residents Served in Unserved Areas	5
Rural Area Targeting	5
Remote Area Targeting	5
Title II Borrowers	5
Recovery Action and other govt. collaboration	5
Project Benefits (Total Points)	25
Performance of the offered services	10
Affordability of services offered	5
Choice of provider	5
Critical community facilities	5
Project Visibility (Total Points)	25
Applicants organizational capability	12
Community Support	2
Ability to promptly start	10
Disadvantaged small business	1
Project Budget and Sustainability (Total Points)	25
Reasonableness of Budget	5
Leverage of outside resources	10
Extent of grant funding	10

Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP)

Project Purpose (Total Points)	30
Project Benefits (Total Points)	25
Broadband Infrastructure - Last Mile	?
Cost Effectiveness	?
Performance of offered service	?
Affordability of services offered	?
Nondiscrimination, Interconnection, choice	?
Broadband Infrastructure- Middle Mile	?
Impact on the area	?
Level of need in the area	?
Network capacity	?
Affordability of services offered	?
Nondiscrimination, Interconnection, choice	?
Computer Center Projects	?
Availability to the public	?
Training and educational programs offered	?
Availability and qualifications of staff	?
Sustainable Broadband Adoption	?
Number of new users	?
Cost per new user	?
Innovation	?
Project Viability	25
Technical Feasibility	?
Applicants organizational ability	?
Level of community involvement	?
Ability to promptly start project	?
Project Budget and Sustainability	20
Reasonableness of budget	?
Sustainability of project	?
Leverage of outside resources	?

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