Oklahoma ARPA CPF Broadband Investment Grant Program Overbuild Prevention Process

Questions and Responses

Note: This FAQ is an evolving document. As such, information might be modified or eliminated in later iterations. The latest version should be used exclusively.

FAQs relating to the application process can be found here.

This FAQ was developed as a broad public resource and is intended to be strictly informational. The answers contained in this FAQ will not include complete information as the questions posed do not provide complete information. This document may be consulted as a reference but should not be relied on for a complete assessment. The OBO encourages potential applicants to consult their legal counsel in finding answers to these questions.

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1. When will the portal to contest submissions open?

The portal opened on Monday, July 29, and will close at 11:59 p.m., Friday, August 2.

2. For evidence of existing service in a project area, can an ISP submit a network map that shows deployed fiber/HFC in the challenged area?

An ISP may submit any documentation that supports existing service, this includes network maps and reporting newly built-out locations to the FCC.

3. For evidence of existing service at an individual location, can an ISP submit screenshots from the ISP's customer-facing buy flow or customer bills as evidence that the challenged addresses are serviceable?

An ISP may submit any documentation that supports existing service, this includes network maps and FCC reporting.

4. If a challenge for planned service was successful last year (with the commitment to begin construction within the 12-month period) can that be resubmitted to successfully challenge during this current window?

Yes, but the contest needs to be submitted during the CPF contest process even if it was accepted during the SLFRF contest process. Contests made during the SLFRF process will not be rolled over to the CPF process.

5. Does the portal allow for bulk uploads for contest challenges?

Contests are limited to 250 locations per contest to ensure accurate adjudication.

6. What is the process to add additional evidence to an already submitted challenge?

Unfortunately, once a contest has been submitted, it may not be edited. However, ISPs can submit multiple contests.

7. If an ISP found locations it believes to be enforceable commitments, but another ISP never applied for those locations, how would it submit a contest for those locations?

Only locations that were applied for within a CPF application will populate on the contest map. Locations that were not applied for are not eligible for contest at this time.

8. How will an ISP be notified if its project is contested?

An email notification will be sent to ISPs with contested locations on Monday, August 5.

9. If a company submits the same contest from the previous grant program (SLFRF), does it need to provide an updated affidavit?

Yes, all contest documentation/evidence needs to be updated.

10. When is the deadline for ISPs to approve changes from the contest process?

Not all ISPs have changes to their proposed service areas from the contest process. For those that received a notice from the portal, they must respond prior to 12:00 p.m. CT, Thursday, September 5. ISPs only need to approve or reject the revision requests to their proposed service areas in the portal if they received a message from the portal requesting said revisions. **Partial funding applications are not due at this time.** The OBO will request budget revisions for revised proposed projects in the coming weeks.