



#### Today's Agenda

#### Winncom's BEAD Strategy

- BEAD Product Portfolio
- Offensive / Defensive Strategies
- QGIS Network Design Tool
- High Level Fiber Design
- Grant Writing
- Professional Engineering Services
- Financial Services

#### NOKIA

- State Funding Profiles
- BABA Approved Eco-Center
- Product Overview
- Corteca Management System

#### AFL

- OSP Fiber Portfolio Overview
- BABA Certified Solutions



# Broadband Equity Access Deployment

#### **Priorities:**

- 1. Unserved (25/3Mbps)
- 2. Underserved (<100/20Mbps)
- 3. Community Anchor Institutions
- 4. Non-Deployment Projects

#### **Requirements:**

- 1. Providing Service of 100/20Mbps
- 2. Participate in ACP or low-cost program

Minnesota Funding: \$651,839,368.20

# Winncom BEAD Eco-Center Suppliers



To help our customers navigate through the complexities of the upcoming BEAD program while offering them a complete portfolio of active / passive eco-center solutions

- 1. Leverage our Suppliers to offer a complete BEAD approved (baba) ecocenter solution
- 2. To have world-class support through our Engineering Department
- 3. To offer third-party services such as Professional Engineering, High-Level Fiber Designs, Grant Writing, and Financial Assistance.





- Criteria 1: the item is manufactured in the United States.
- Criteria 2: 55% of the components (by cost) are sourced directly from the United States.



#### **ELECTRONICS**:

Establishes a process for manufacturers to voluntarily self-certify Buy America compliance with NTIA for products that are manufactured outside of the United States









**PLAN** 



**APPLY** 



**RECEIVE** 



**PROCURE** 



**CONSTRUCT** 



**OPERATE** 

#### **Winncom Customer Strategy**







**PRODUCTS** 

**SERVICES** 

**FINANCING** 



#### **BROADBAND**

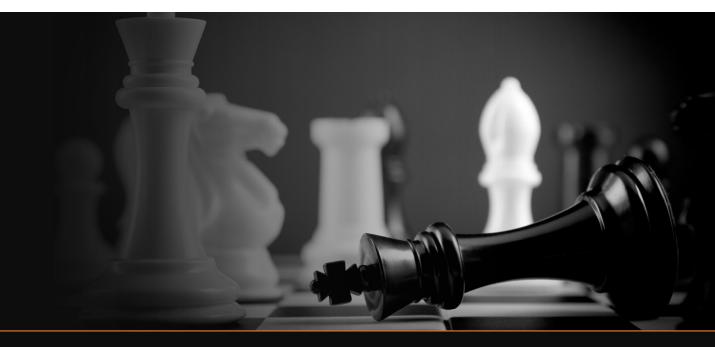
EQUITY ACCESS & DEPOLYMENT PROGRAM





Winncom BEAD Strategy & Services

## OFFENSIVE - VS DEFENSIVE





## Why Does the BEAD Challenge Process Matter to Me?

- The BEAD Challenge Process presents the opportunity for Internet Service Providers to ensure that their service territory is not eligible to be overbuilt by BEAD funded projects.
  - Fortify your existing network area defensively.
  - Expanding strategically into surrounding areas offensively.
- Who is vulnerable
  - Providers utilizing technologies not meeting the NTIA's definition of reliable broadband service are vulnerable.
  - Providers using reliable broadband technologies but are not offering service at speeds of at least 100/20 Mbps and roundtrip latency ≤ 100 ms.
  - ISPs whose service offerings (using reliable broadband) are **not captured** in their state broadband maps.

### Preparing for the Challenge Process

- Identify network vulnerabilities and opportunities
- Gain insight into the sequence of your state's challenge process
- Develop a comprehensive plan for service challenges
- Commence network upgrades to ensure broadband availability by the specified deadline
- Formalize and submit your Planned Service Challenge

#### How Can I Position Myself to Ensure My Network is Not Overbuilt?

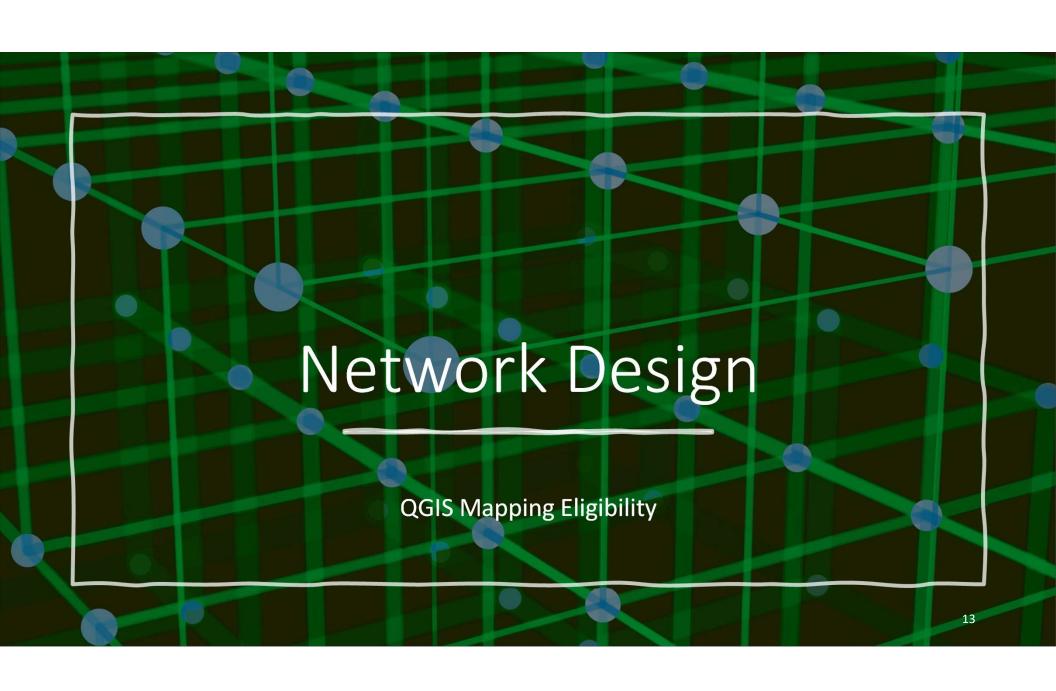
- Planned Service Challenge: ISP confirms that reliable broadband will be deployed and available at a given BSL by a planned service deadline.
- Challenge Process Overview: Challenges (7/22-8/21), Rebut (8/22-9/24), Adjudicate (9/21-10/21)

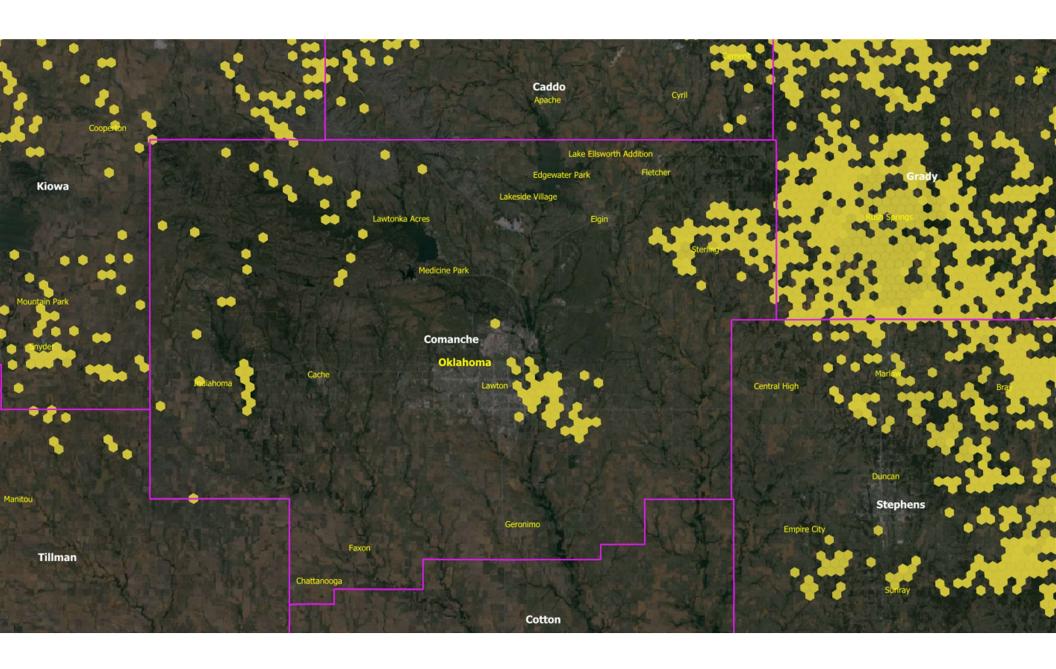


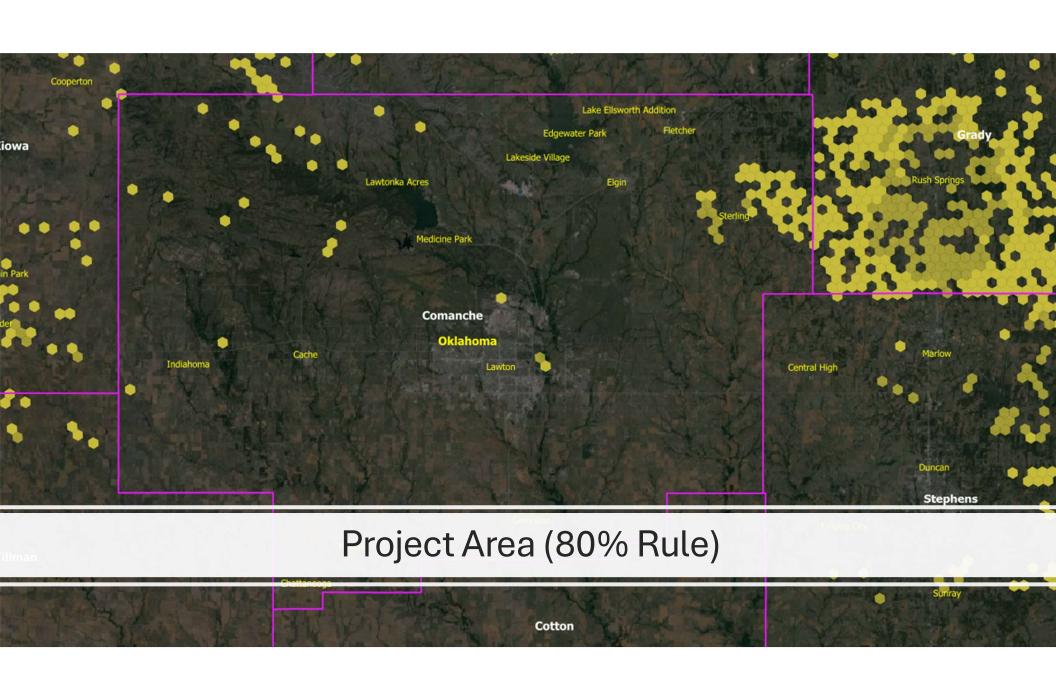
#### Planned Service Challenge Evidence

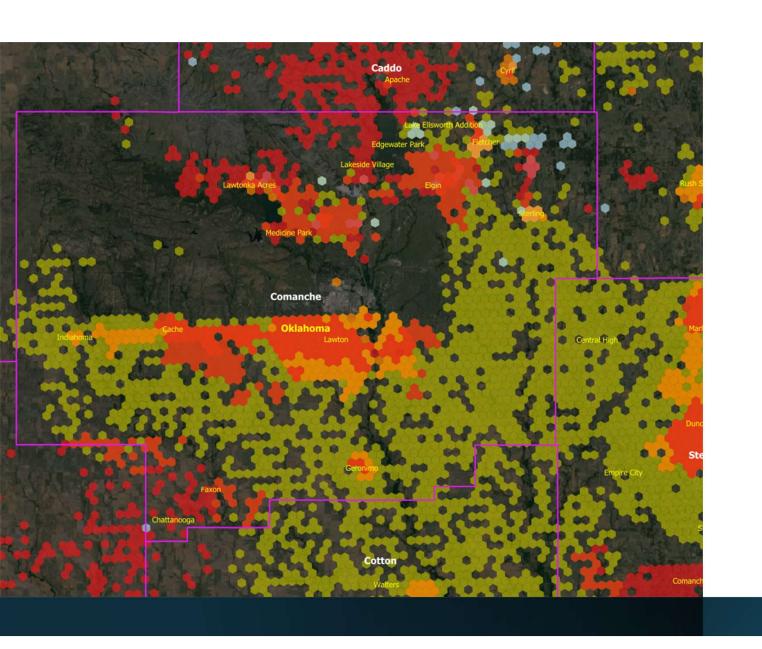
#### **Necessary Evidence for a Planned Service Challenge:**

- Maximum advertised download speed
- Maximum advertised upload speed
- Technology Type of Service
- Confirmation that round-trip latency is ≤ 100 Mbps
- Attestation confirming service with the stated technology, speed, and latency will be deployed by due date
- Evidence that deployment is on track
  - Planned network diagram
  - Evidence that necessary permits have been obtained
  - Inspection results
  - Construction contracts/invoices
- As part of a successful Planned Service Challenge, the state will often require the ISP to enter into a binding agreement with the State that the service will be deployed and available as documented in the challenge

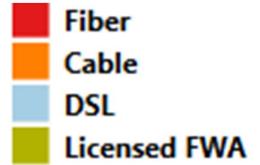




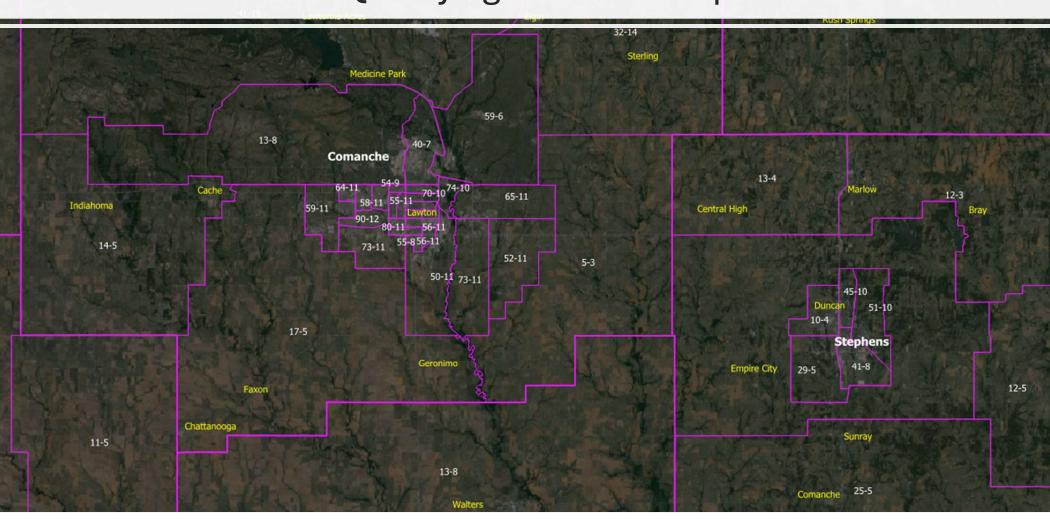


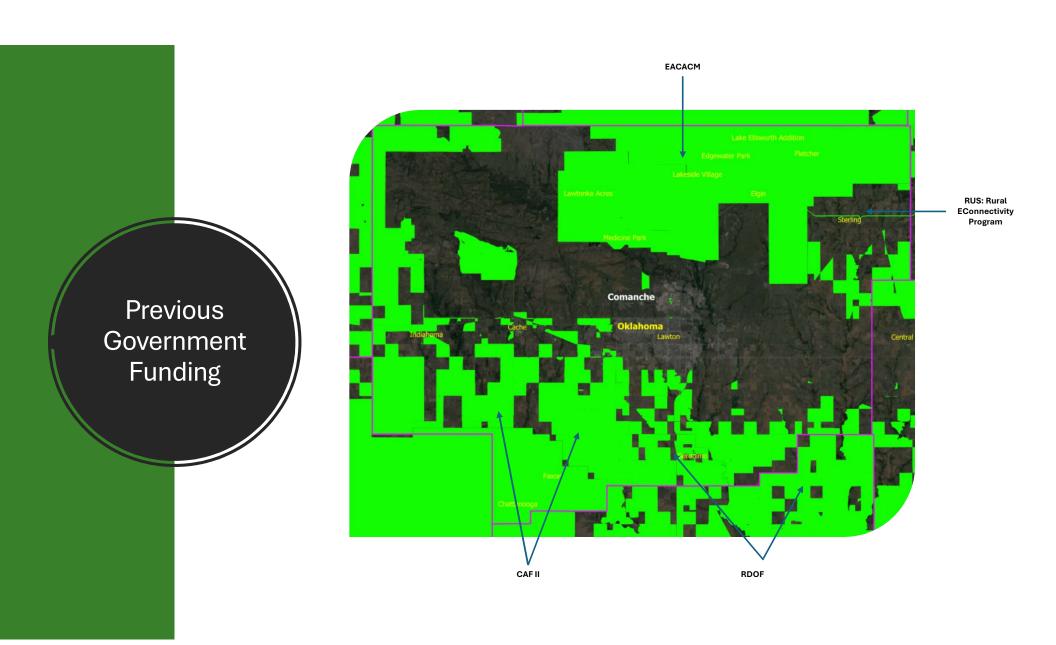


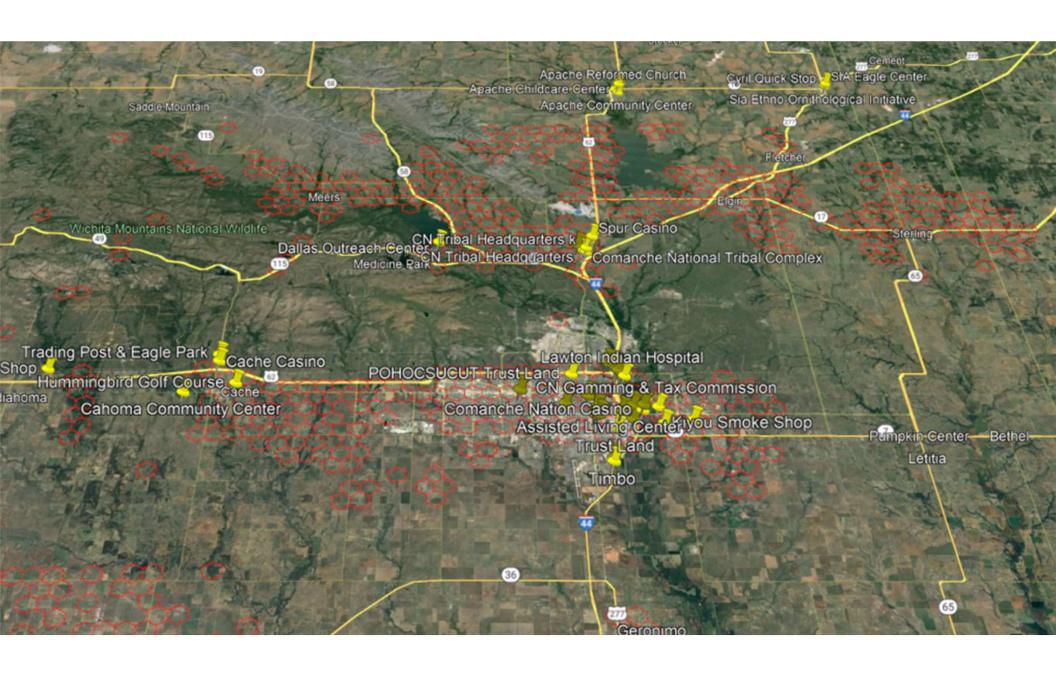
### Exist Technology



#### Ookla Qualifying Broadband Speeds

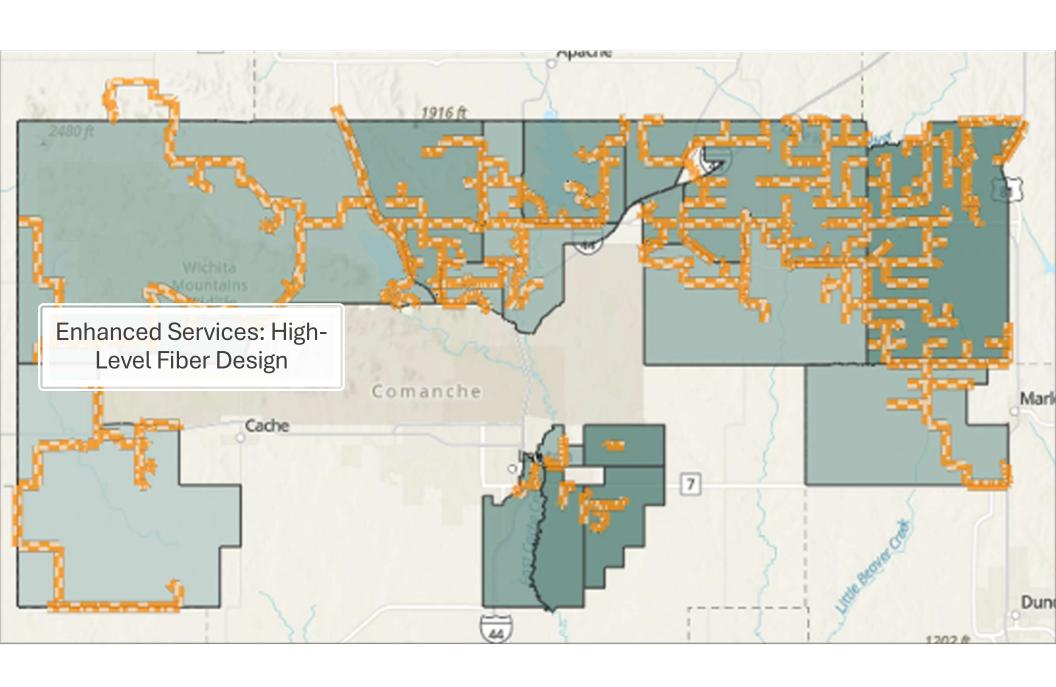






## Winncom Enhanced Services

High Level Fiber Design



#### WHERE, WHAT and HOW MUCH To Bid?

You provide us a few parameters...and we will provide the **WHERE** to bid, the recommended network structure (**WHAT**) with the costs and ROI (**HOW MUCH**)

#### **THE WHERE**

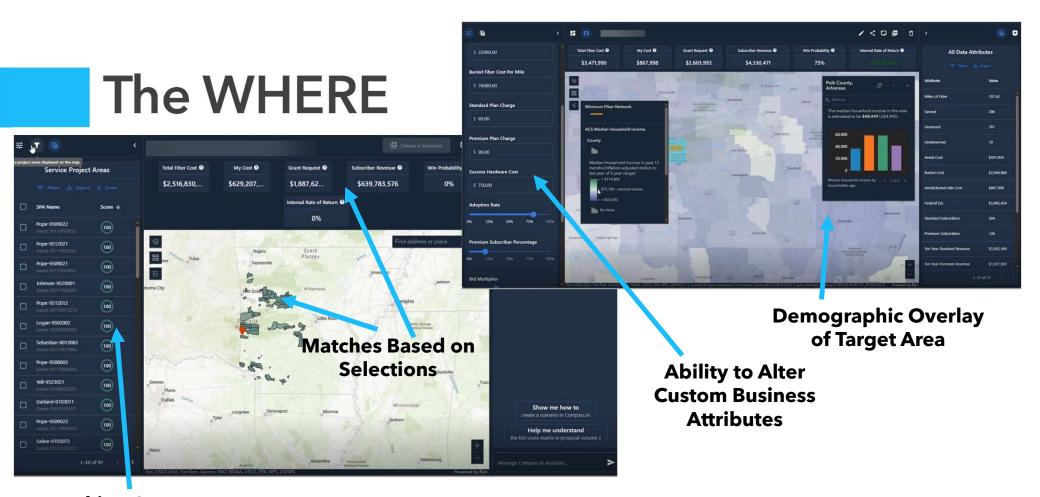
- Comparative ROI Ranking
- Identified Unserved/Underserved (Housetop)
- Competitive Breakdown
- Historical Federal Grant Winning Locations
- Demographics of Project Bid Area

#### THE NETWORK

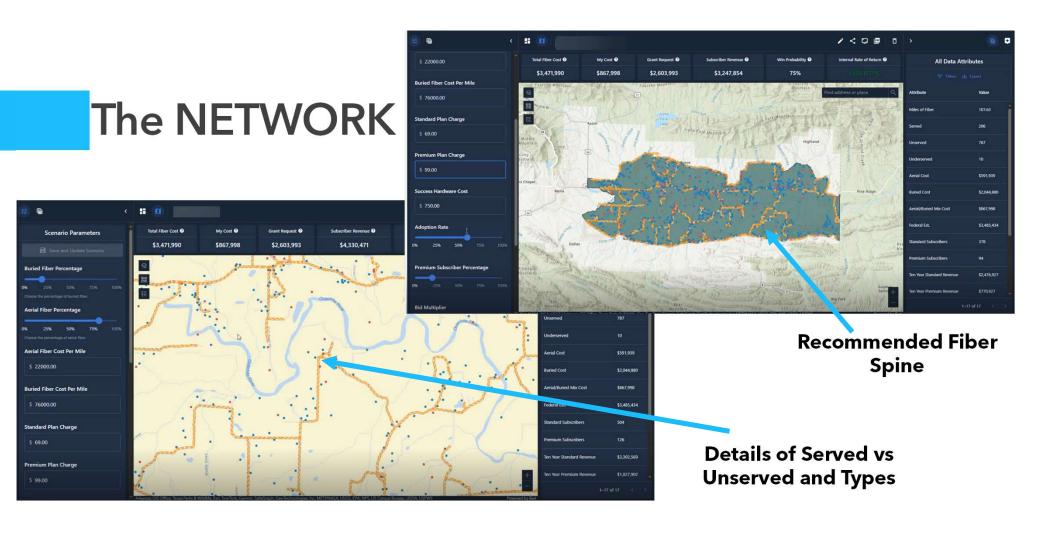
- Al Generated Fiber Spine
- Customized Buried/Aerial costs
- Soil/Terrain Complexity
- Number and Cost for High-Cost Locations

#### THE MONEY

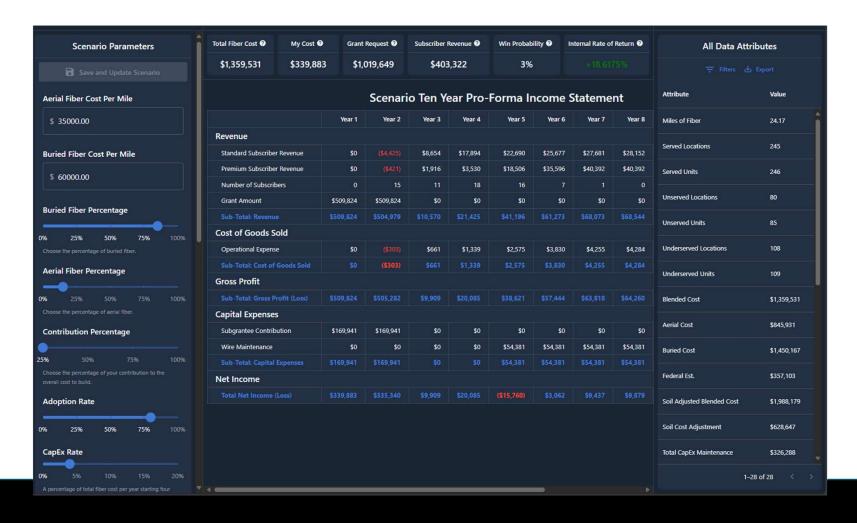
- Winning Bid Recommendation
- 10 Year Pro-Forma:
  - Build Phases
  - OPEX/CAPEX
  - Adoption Rate & Build by Phase Revenue
  - Stage Grant Funds



**Ranking Score** 



#### The MONEY (Pro Forma)



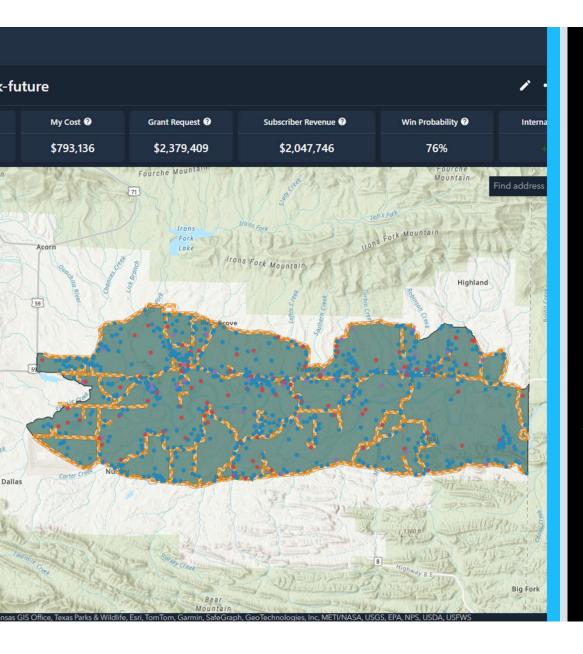
## Supporting Analytics





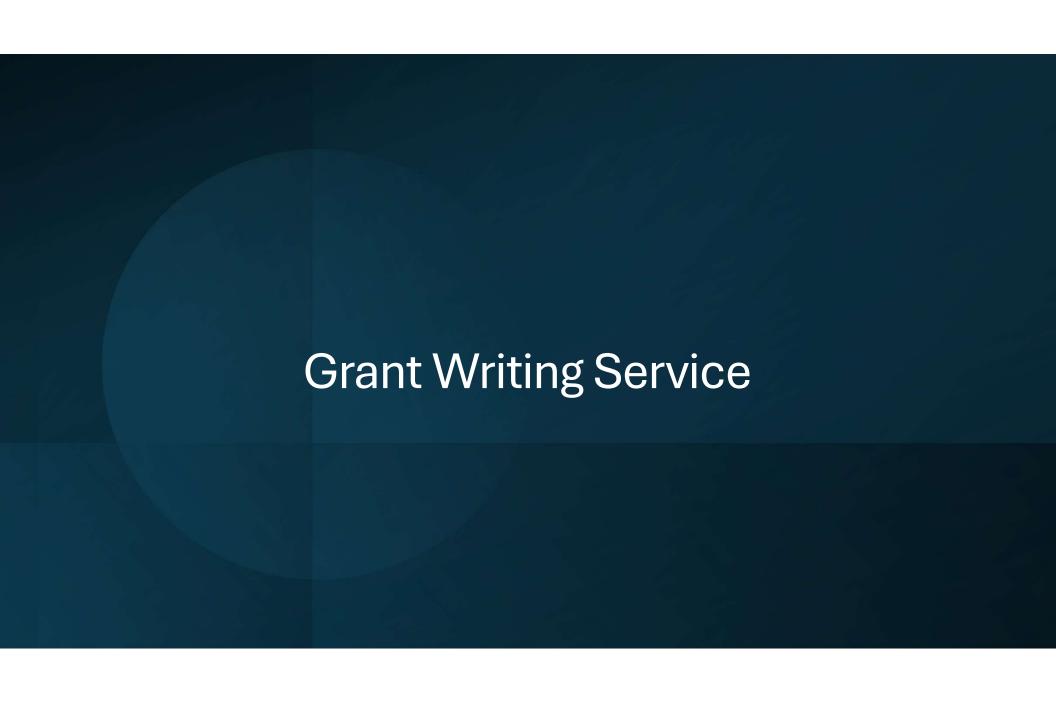
#### **HOW Can We Do This?**

- Dozens of curated data sources for in-depth cost evaluations and revenue projections including:
  - CostQuest Associates Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric dataset
  - ESRI's GIS data
  - Population Density, Terrain, and network capacity.
  - Costing for buried and aerial fiber installations
- Advanced AI analytic engine to optimize data sources for actionable insights.
- Intuitive interface for easy navigation.
- Powerful visualizations to enable quick decisions.
- Create multiple scenarios for comparison and ability to adapt as the landscape changes.



# All The Information You Need To Decide

THE WHERE, THE WHAT AND HOW MUCH TO BID





- Document verification
- Application writing
- Ensuring document compliance
- Use-case analysis and technology alignment

- Pre-award educational support
- Post-award compliance support
- Invoice Reimbursement
- Compliance Documentation Reporting



#### **Baseline Information**

This information is required from the client **before** onboarding, answering all the questions and affirming they can provide the necessary documentation. Please note that we will sign a non-disclosure agreement on request to protect proprietary information.

#### **Project Information**

#### **Project Scope**

- How many applications do you plan to submit?
- What affiliates and/or partners (not including contractors) will be involved with the buildout or operation of the network?
  - o Are you applying as part of a consortium?
- Do you have an active UEI from SAM.gov?

#### Service Area:

- · Do you have a defined project area?
  - o Are the locations in your proposed project area(s) unserved or underserved?
    - What proportion of each?
    - What percentage of these locations will your project commit to <u>serve</u>?
- Are there existing public funding commitments in the area? (i.e. RDOF, CPF, state programs)

#### **Business and Operational Planning:**

• What is your preliminary overall budget for the project?

#### Application Overview

Executive Summary

A top-down summary of the project.

Project Narrative

A more detailed, step by step project plan.

Budget Narrative

A breakdown of project costs, where & when. Information on the applicant, location, etc.

Detailed Budget Spreadsheet

The budget presented in an orderly sheet.

Government Forms

Proprietary forms depending on the grant.

Maps

Detailing the proposed broadband location.

Data Compiling

Digital Application Submission

Most programs only accept online applications.



### Timeline Estimates

#### **Overall Project Deadlines:**

- Standard minimal time: 6-8 weeks.
- Expedited minimal time: 30days

#### **Estimated Project Timelines:**

- Onboarding: 3-5 business days
- Processing application materials: 2-6 weeks
- Quality control: 1-2 weeks
- Application submission: 1-3 days
- RFI support: 2-4 weeks (Optional Service)
- Post-award compliance services: From 2-3 weeks up to several years (Optional Service)

## Steps to Funding Onboarding

**Processing Materials** 

**Quality Control** 

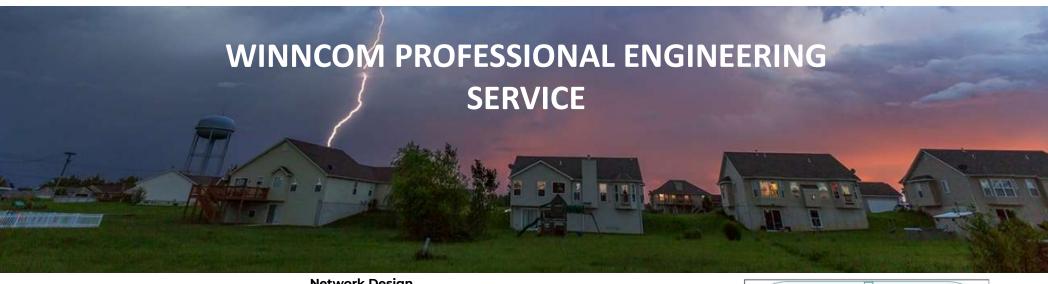
Submission

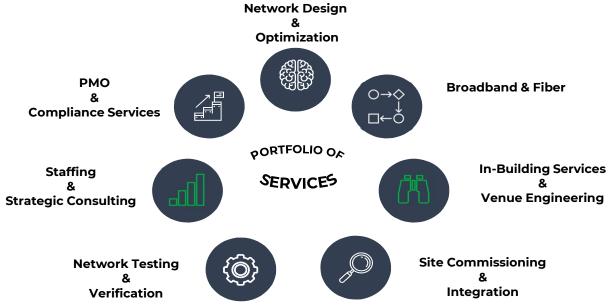
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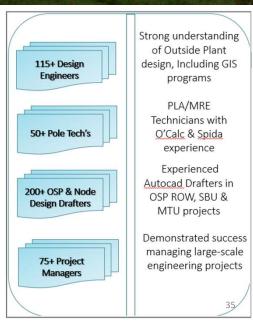
Post-Award

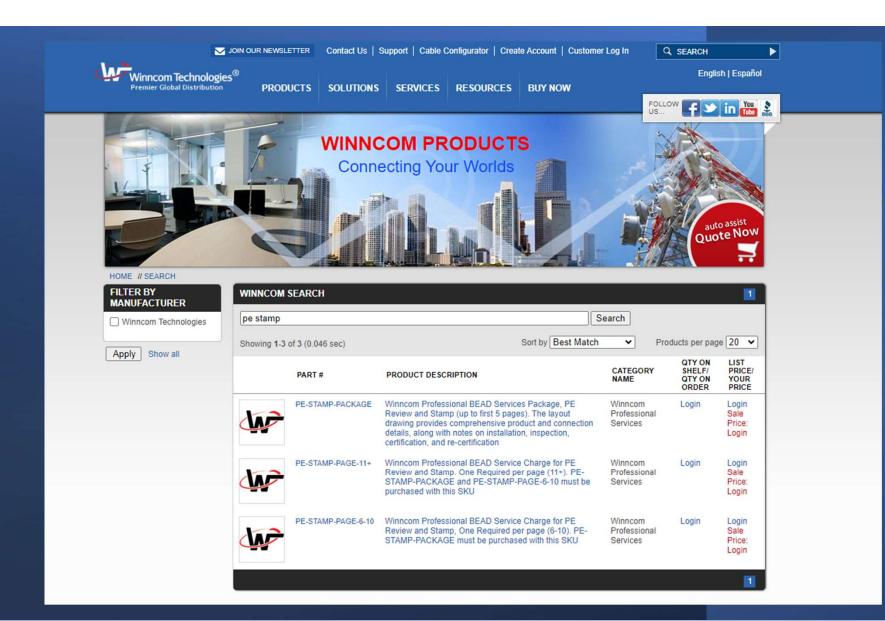
## Professional Engineering Services

Onsite Support / PE Stamped Drawings













- Financing Solutions: Tailored financing options for both services and equipment, enabling project execution without upfront capital constraints.
- Comprehensive Support: From project inception to completion, our financial services are designed to empower applicants, ensuring compliance and enhancing project viability.



WEST VIRGINIA & KANSAS

#### RESOURCES

Winncom / Nokia First Movers Webinar Series: West Virginia & Kansas:

Winncom & Nokia First Movers Webinar Series. Highlights West Virginia & Kanasas BEAD Applications next steps



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#### RESOURCES

WISP Friendly Fiber: Aerial over Burial

Panel Discussion Recap: . The decision between aerial and buried fiber deployments hinges on understanding fiber optic networks and protecting broadband investments. Aerial fiber, hung above ground, is cheaper and quicker to install but prone to



