

## Proposed BEAD Template Agreement

## **Posting and Request for Comments**

The Pennsylvania Broadband Development Authority (PBDA) administers Pennsylvania's Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) program. PBDA posts the proposed BEAD Template Agreement with Attachments (Template BEAD Agreement) and hereby requests Comments to the Template BEAD Agreement, consisting of the following:

- Template BEAD Agreement
- Attachment A (BEAD Project)
- Attachment B (BEAD Project Budget)
- Attachment C (BEAD Program Specific Conditions)
  - Attachment C-1 (Low Earth Orbit Special Conditions)
  - o Attachment C-2 (ULFW Special Conditions)
  - Attachment C-3 (ULFW) (from applicant's application and unavailable)
- Attachment D (Reporting Requirements)
- Attachment E (Excel Spreadsheet Broadband Location Template) (to be developed)
- Attachment F (Excel Spreadsheet Broadband Infrastructure Template) (to be developed)
- Attachment G (Federal Audit Requirements)
- Attachment H (Federal Contracting Provisions)
- Attachment I (Standard Commonwealth Contracting Provisions)
- Attachment J (Payment Provisions and Fiscal Responsibilities)
- Attachment K (Overbuild Affidavit) (from applicant's application and unavailable)
- Attachment L (PA Prevailing Wage Act)
- Attachment M (Exceptions and Clarifications to 2 CFR Part 200)

PBDA seeks comments to the proposed BEAD Template Agreement to standardize terms and conditions to fullest extent possible, to facilitate transparency, and to avoid delay with negotiations with individual grantees. The submission of comments should not be construed as PBDA's acceptance of those comments.

PBDA in its sole discretion reserves the right to modify and finalize a Template BEAD Agreement without further discourse. Once comments have been reviewed, PBDA will post the final Template Agreement and Attachments on PBDA's website.

PBDA appreciates the time and effort of those submitting comments and will undertake careful review of all comments received.

All applicants from BEAD Round Two (closed on August 1<sup>st</sup>) have been electronically served with this request for comments on August 5, 2025, the date of posting of the Template BEAD Agreement.

Comment period opens: August 6, 2025 Comment period ends: August 13, 2025

All comments should be submitted in writing and electronically sent to BEAD RA: <u>radcpbda bead@pa.gov</u>.