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Subject: Moapa Band of Paiutes Broadband Funding Opportunity - Comments and Concerns
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Hello,

On behalf of the Moapa Band of Paiutes, these are comments and concerns regarding broadband funding opportunity:

1. The funding opportunity should be provided to all Tribes and should not be a competitive grant. There should be a fair distribution of funds to each Tribe.
2. The funding opportunity should also be provided in a Phase funding opportunity, such as, funding opportunity for compiling Feasibility Study vs Planning/Engineering phase vs Infrastructure.
3. Consideration should be taken for Tribes that do not have the financial resource to hire consultants and/or have Grants Writers.
4. There should be no matching requirement.
5. Tribal sovereignty should be protected, therefore, no waivers should be requested of Tribes.

Moapa Band of Paiutes would like to Thank you for allowing us to make comments and voice our concerns. I am the Grants Manager and work closely with the Laura Watters, Tribal Chairwoman and Mike Mohar, Tribal Administrator.

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