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TRIBAL BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT				
GENERAL INFORMATION				
GENERAL	Recipient Organization:	Hoopa Valley Tribe, The	Award Identification Number:	NT22TBC0290055
	Recipient Street Address:	11860 State Highway 96, PO BOX 1348	Report Submission Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	08/01/2023
	City, State, Zip Code:	Hoopa, CA 95546		
	DUNS/UEI Number:	NRVJHS1A2E78	Period of Performance End Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	07/31/2024
	Period of Performance Start Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	08/01/2022		
	Report Period Start Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	08/01/2022	Report Period End Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	07/31/2023
1	Provide the number of locations or geographic areas at which broadband service was provided using the grant funds. (Please attach associated shapefiles of geographic areas) (600 words or less)			
	At this time, broadband is not being provided to any locations using grant funds during this reporting period.			
2	Please describe each service provided with grant funds. (600 words or less)			
	Over the last year, HVT has incurred costs across three primary areas, staffing to support the broadband deployment plan, environmental studies required for submittal before construction, and network design to map the broadband infrastructure and service area. HVT has grown its existing team by onboarding a Billing Specialist, Administrative Assistant, NTIA Administrative Assistant, Network Administrator, Realty/Permitting Specialist. These roles support project management, budget management, and ongoing and preconstruction duties. HVT also contracted with vendor SHN to start the required environmental review and associated tasks. HVT has also contracted with vendor Tilson to provide both the high-level and low-level design for network implementation. HVT has also invested in hiring two Fiber Splicer/GIS Specialist/Installers, Construction Foreman and two Construction Heavy Equipment Operators who are undergoing the necessary training to prepare for the construction phase once the appropriate environmental approvals have been obtained. Additional funds have been spent on training (ex. rigging, BICSI), equipment (ex. brackets, routers), community outreach, legal services, tower lease fees, compliance management, consulting fees, and both architectural and engineering services.			
3	If applicable, please list subcontractors and describe how they expended funds. (600 words or less)			
	Tilson expended funds for engineering and design for the fiber-to-the-home deliverable. Moss Adams expended funds for program management and grants compliance. SHN Civil Engineering expended funds for environmental impact studies and geotechnical studies. Busch Law Firm PLLC expended funds for contract review and other legal services. Amerind Critical Infrastructure expended funds or grants compliance and project dependencies.			
4	Please describe how the recipient and subrecipient (if applicable) expended the funds. (600 words or less)			
	Hoopa Valley Tribe operated as a passthrough and did not expend funds. [Recipient] Hoopa Valley Public Utilities District expended funds for staffing and pre-construction operations. [Subrecipient]			
5	If applicable, please list each subrecipients that received a subgrant through funding. (600 words or less)			
	Hoopa Valley Public Utilities District			
6	Please provide the barriers to broadband use and adoption or broadband infrastructure deployment work that you experienced during the reporting period of this award to date. What steps did you take to address them? (600 words or less)			
	Barriers to the broadband infrastructure deployment have included the limitations on the 2% administration line item. As the required studies are taking longer than anticipated, it will require more staffing time to complete and only two years were budgeted for for essential employees, when in essence, this grant will take the full four years to complete. Also, many line items are over budget, which requires additional time and resources for budget adjustments and reallocations. In addition, the HVPUD GM has the two (2) approved submitting roles, but this does not apply to other types of submissions and it is a hindrance to required the AP to submit things as simple as an AAR. The Hoopa Valley Tribe is forced to seek outside funding in order to cover the critical staffing for multiple years while simultaneously managing a reservation fiber build out.			
	Please describe whether or not your organization connected NOFO purpose areas to broadband adoption and use or broadband infrastructure deployment work. (600 words or less)			
	HVT met and maintained broadband infrastructure deployment work requirements, including, but not limited to, ultimately expanding access to broadband services throughout			

7	the Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation. For the reporting period, HVT proceeded with its plans to deploy, operate, and maintain this network.	
8	<p>Please describe your project's achieved accomplishments during this reporting period. (600 words or less)</p> <p>HVT has successfully executed contracts for legal, consulting, engineering, and environmental study work. HVT has also hired essential staff to support project management and budget management. HVT is in the process of conducting the required environmental studies for review and approval, developing the network low-level, and high-level designs, initiating community outreach, and developing architectural design work to support broadband infrastructure. HVT is also focusing on developing Requests for Proposal (RFPs) for additional work such as facilitating the needed rights-of-way. HVT was granted an independent utility exemption request for the Jones Point Tower. HVT has updated its Procurement Policy, and A/P Policy for ongoing management, both of which were approved by the HVPUD Board of Directors on 6/13/23. HVT has started outreach initiatives to establish channels with existing broadband providers in an effort to identify direct internet access circuits to support the fiber-to-the-home deliverable. HVT is finalizing the procurement process to establish its first NTIA backhaul connection. HVT is nearing completion of all independent utility requests that have supporting budget adjustment to better align with the segmentation of project deliverables.</p>	
9	<p>Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "TBCP Reports Addendum A", please provide an updated count of Households within each of the eligible tribal block groups along with their Location ID that you connected to your network. The locations should match and conform to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric, which is a unique identifier for the geographic coordinates, and where available, the address(es) associated with each location. Please be sure to select 'Annual Report' checkbox when completing the addendum.</p>	
10	<p>Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "TBCP Reports Addendum B", please provide an updated count of Tribal Businesses within each of the eligible tribal block groups along with their Location ID that you connected to your network. The locations should match and conform to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric, which is a unique identifier for the geographic coordinates, and where available, the address(es) associated with each location. Please be sure to select 'Annual Report' checkbox when completing the addendum.</p>	
11	<p>Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "TBCP Reports Addendum C", please provide an updated count of Community Anchor Institutions (CAIs) within each of the eligible tribal block groups along with their Location ID that you connected to your network. The locations should match and conform to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric, which is a unique identifier for the geographic coordinates, and where available, the address(es) associated with each location. Please be sure to select 'Annual Report' checkbox when completing the addendum.</p>	
CERTIFICATION	<p>I certify to the best of knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purposes set forth in the award documents.</p>	
	<p>Typed or printed name and title of Authorized Certifying Official:</p>	<p>Telephone (area code, number and extension):</p>
	<p>Signature of Certifying Official:</p>	<p>Email Address:</p>
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