



BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT

GENERAL INFORMATION				
GENERAL	Recipient Organization:	Lumpkin, County of	Award Identification Number:	13-08-I2210
	Recipient Street Address:	99 Courthouse Hill, Suite H	Report Submission Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	02/28/2023
	City, State, Zip Code:	Dahlonega, GA 30533	DUNS/UEI Number:	KXICT7D54GD8
	Performance Period Start Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	03/01/2022	Performance Period End Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	02/28/2023
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1	Please describe significant project accomplishments during this period. (600 words or less)			
	<p>Amendment of the financial award to descope the census blocks of the project formally approved as of August 16, 2022.</p> <p>Environmental Assessment & Historic Preservation Review Period extension request from September 1, 2022 to September 1, 2023 approved as of October 11, 2022.</p> <p>Period of Performance extension request from February 28, 2023 to February 28, 2024 submitted August 29, 2022 and resubmitted December 6, 2022. This request has not been formally approved at the time of submitting the annual report.</p> <p>Breaking the Environmental Assessment of the project into two independent phases: 1) Inside the USFS and 2) Outside of USFS land submitted and approved as of December 19, 2022.</p> <p>An outside environmental firm has been engaged since June, 2022. The environmental firm has submitted a draft GA SHPO Section 106 Review as of January 23, 2023.</p> <p>Preliminary engineering has commenced as of August 1, 2022. We expect completion of all engineering by end of February 2023. A full equipment list will be provided upon completion of the engineering phase.</p>			
2	Please describe each service provided with BIP grant funds. (600 words or less)			
	No services have been provided to date as construction has not started.			
3a	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)			
	No proposed locations have been served at this time.			
3b	Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "BIP Reports Addendum A", please provide an updated count of Households within each of the eligible census block groups along with their Location ID that you connected to your network in column titled '# of Units'. The locations should match and conform to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric, which is a unique identifier 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.			
3c	Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "BIP Reports Addendum B", please provide an updated count of Businesses within each of the eligible census block groups along with their Location ID that you connected your network in column titled '# of Units'. The locations should match and conform to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric, which is a unique identifier 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.			
3d	Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "BIP Reports Addendum C", please provide an updated count of Community Anchor Institutions (CAIs) within each of the eligible census block groups along with their Location ID that you connected to your network in column titled '# of Units'. The locations should match and conform to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric, which is a unique identifier 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.			
4	If applicable, please list each subrecipient that received a subgrant from the covered partnership and a description of the specific project for which the grant funds were provided. (600 words or less)			
	<p>Lumpkin County and Windstream Services, LLC entered a covered partnership to secure funding through the NTIA Broadband Infrastructure Program. Lumpkin County is the primary recipient, with Windstream as the subrecipient for the grant funding. Windstream will use the grant funds provided to deliver gigabit-speed broadband service to 1,846 locations in Lumpkin County. Specific activities at the time of this report to assist Lumpkin County in achieving the goals of the project include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windstream has submitted the Environmental Assessment to required agencies. The final environmental approval is pending. • Windstream has completed approximately 97% of the engineering and design of the project. Final engineering and design is waiting on final approval of the Environmental Assessment. • Windstream has started initial permitting requests to county and state agencies with full permitting requests to be submitted by approximately March 17, 2023. • Construction of the project is scheduled to begin in April 2023. 			
CERTIFICATION	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.			
	Typed or printed name and title of Authorized Certifying Official:	Chris Dockery, Chairman	Telephone (area code, number and extension):	706.864.3742
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			Date:	03/02/2023

