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TRIBAL BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT				
GENERAL INFORMATION				
GENERAL	Recipient Organization:	Upper Skagit Indian Tribe	Award Identification Number:	NT23TBC0290013
	Recipient Street Address:	25944 Community Plaza Way	Report Submission Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	11/08/2023
	City, State, Zip Code:	Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284		
	DUNS/UIE Number:	HZ21R3NPX1V8		
	Period of Performance Start Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	12/01/2022	Period of Performance End Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	11/30/2026
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1	<b>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)</b>  The project is planned to provide broadband service to 76 households. However, no broadband service has been provided yet since we are still working on engineering and environmental review and have not received approval to move to construction yet.			
2	<b>Please describe each service provided with grant funds. (600 words or less)</b>  NA - see above.  After several submittals and revisions, we received approval of our expenditure plan June 6, 2023 (8 months after award). On July 27 we signed a change order with TEAM/Lochner to complete the civil design for the Elder's Boulevard last mile conduit. We also initiated discussions with SkagitNet (the middle mile partner) and NoaNet (the last mile partner) regarding the NEPA review process. Based upon NTIA guidance, we requested an AAR to contract out elements of the NEPA document preparation. This AAR was approved September 22, 2023 and we are proceeding with preparation of NEPA documentation.			
3	<b>If applicable, please list subcontractors and describe how they expended funds. (600 words or less)</b>  TEAM/Lochner has initiated the civil design work under Change Order #14. By the end of November we anticipate having the environmental consultant (GeoEngineers) under contract as well. SkagitNet - no funds expended NoaNet - no funds expended			
4	<b>Please describe how the recipient and subrecipient (if applicable) expended the funds. (600 words or less)</b>  The Tribe has expended funds on administrative tasks including reporting, submittal of several AARs, and discussions with contractors and NTIA program staff. Tribal staff have also initiated preparation of NEPA documentation for the environmental review.  There are no subrecipients.			
5	<b>If applicable, please list each subrecipients that received a subgrant through funding. (600 words or less)</b>  NA			
6	<b>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)</b>  The two main barriers experienced during this period consisted of: 1) delays in AAR approvals from the agency, and 2) limitations on Tribal staff capacity/availability resulting from retirements and lingering impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic. 1) It took 5 months from when we submitted our initial expenditure plan until it was approved, and it took 2 months to approve the submitted AAR for hiring the environmental consultant. We addressed these delays in AAR approvals by persistently following up with our Federal Program Officer regarding the status of the AARs and by providing requested information as expeditiously as possible.  2) A key Tribal staff member (Planning Department Manager) retired shortly after the award in December 2022. We moved to address this barrier in Tribal staff capacity by hiring a new Community Development Planner in April 2023.			
	<b>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)</b>			

7	This project supported the NOFO purpose area of "Infrastructure Deployment." We are currently working on NEPA review and engineering design.		
8	<p><b>Please describe your project's achieved accomplishments during this reporting period. (600 words or less)</b></p> <p>We received approval of our expenditure plan June 6, 2023 (8 months after award). On July 27 we signed a change order with TEAM/Lochner to complete the civil design for the Elder's Boulevard last mile conduit. We also initiated discussions with SkagitNet (the middle mile partner) and NoaNet (last mile contractor) regarding the NEPA review process. Based upon NTIA guidance, we requested an AAR to contract out elements of the NEPA document preparation. This AAR was approved September 22, 2023 and we are proceeding with preparation of NEPA documentation.</p> <p>The Tribe has also completed administrative tasks including reporting, submittal of several AARs, and discussions with contractors and NTIA program staff. Tribal staff have also initiated preparation of NEPA documentation for the environmental review.</p>		
9	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.		
10	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.		
11	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.		
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:		Telephone (area code, number and extension):
	Doreen Maloney, General Manager, Upper Skagit Indian Tribe		(360) 854-7090
	Signature of Certifying Official:		Email Address:
			doreenm@upperskagit.com
		Date:	

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<b>Report Type:</b>	<b>Baseline Report</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	<b>Annual Report</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## Service Area

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