

B.E.A.D. County & Tribal Census

Purpose

Gather statewide data to aid in the development of Wisconsin's BEAD and Digital Equity Plans which will direct the deployment of federal dollars designated through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law over the next 5 years.

Sponsors

- The Wisconsin Public Service Commission Wisconsin Broadband Office
- Wisconsin University of Wisconsin Madison- Division of Extension
- University of Wisconsin-River Falls



What will the Census Cover?

- > Current County/Tribe Broadband Access and Deployment Planning Activities
- ➤ Current County/Tribe Digital Equity Activities
- ➤ Barriers Experienced
- ➤ Local Priorities
- > Resources Needed



Census Process

- The census will be delivered to County Executives, Administrators, Coordinators and Tribal President or Chairperson through email
- > The census will be conducted through the Qualtrics Survey Tool
- ➤ It is anticipated that the census will take several hours to complete. We will provide a PDF file which allow you an opportunity to pull together your information offline if you prefer.
- ➤ It maybe necessary for the county/tribe to contact numerous departments, municipalities, agencies and organizations to gather all the needed information



Compensation

- ➤ The Wisconsin Public Service Commission has authorized reimbursement be made available to counties and tribes up to \$1000 to cover time and expenses of completing the census
- > Upon completion of census entities will receive directions on submitting invoices



Timeline

- > April 10: Local County Contacts will receive email inviting them to participate
- > Week of April 17: Tribal Contacts will receive email inviting them to participate
- ➤ May 15: County Census Deadline
- ➤ May 26: Tribal Census Deadline



Questions?

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