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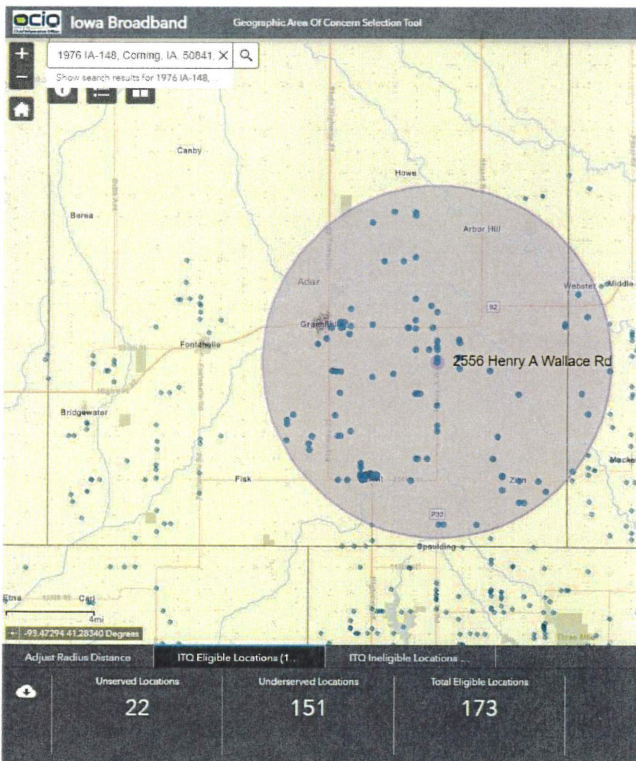
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To the Office of the Chief Information Officer of the State of Iowa:

Adair County, Iowa is submitting this application in response to the OCIO Invitation to Qualify for a Broadband Intervention Zone. The Adair County Board of Supervisors, together with local organizations within our county, has identified a specific area of geographic concern with regards to existing broadband availability. The southeast area of our county, as identified in the image below is at a disadvantage when it comes to broadband opportunities. As such, we are proposing that a Broadband Intervention Zone be established for that area which includes an area around the town of Orient in Adair County.

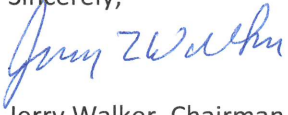
Pursuant to the Iowa Broadband Map this area is currently way underserved and with speeds that do not facilitate the required 100/20 minimum threshold for robust connectivity. While we know that our circle goes beyond our county lines, with the limited tool, it was necessary in order to capture the most underserved residents of Adair County.



The prospective Intervention Zone would bring needed broadband connectivity to approximately 187 currently underserved homes and businesses in the area as further represented by the diagram below: Quality broadband with consistent connectivity is critical to this community's continued economic growth, and to ensure local citizens have access to essential infrastructure required for health, safety, increased workforce opportunities and education of current and future generations.

Thank you for consideration in this ITQ process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jerry Walker", written in a cursive style.

Jerry Walker, Chairman