



## Mid-Iowa Planning Alliance for Community Development

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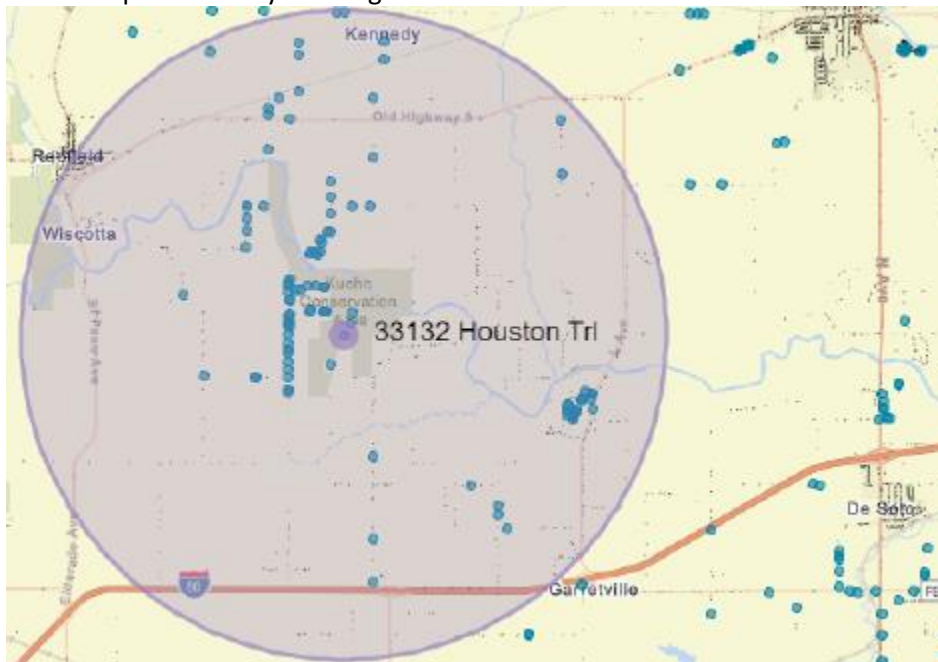
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To the Office of the Chief Information Officer of the State of Iowa:

The Mid-Iowa Planning Alliance (MIPA) is submitting this application for Rural Dallas County in response to the OCIO Invitation to Qualify for a Broadband Intervention Zone. MIPA, in association with Panorama Fiber, The Greater Dallas County Development Alliance, and the Iowa Communications Alliance have identified the Adams, and Union Townships as area of geographic concern with regards to existing broadband availability using the mapping tool provided by the OCIO.

As such, we are proposing that a Broadband Intervention Zone be established for the area in and around the Townships of Adams, and Union in southwest Dallas County. Pursuant to the Iowa Broadband Map, this area is currently served by a single broadband provider and with speeds that do not facilitate the required 100/20 minimum threshold for robust connectivity. The prospective Intervention Zone would bring needed broadband connectivity to 277 currently underserved homes and businesses in the area as further represented by the diagram below:



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Strong broadband infrastructure is critical to our rural counties' continued economic growth, and to ensure residents have access to essential required for health, safety, and education of current and future generations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Caleb Knutson", is written over a large, stylized, black ink flourish that extends to the right.

Caleb Knutson  
Senior Planner



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