



Minburn Communications

World-Class Connections...Hometown Touch

March 29, 2023

Dear Chief Information Officer and Review Committee,

I am writing to extend my support for the City of Dallas Center ITQ Application to request a Broadband Intervention Zone.

The locations identified in this application are located outside of census blocks eligible for grant funding in previous NOFA applications. Locations within these gap areas are a result of split census blocks between area's served by one servicer provider providing highspeed broadband and area's underserved by another service provider. Due to the high cost associated with serving these locations it can be difficult to justify construction without additional funding support.

I encourage you to consider and not leave behind the rural families and businesses in these gap areas. As high-quality broadband service continues to expand across the state these locations should be entitled to the same level of access as all others.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration to creating a Broadband Intervention Zone as requested within this ITQ Application.

Sincerely,

Debra Lucht
CEO/GM
Minburn Communications

**DALLAS COUNTY OFFICE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Kim Chapman
Brad Golightly
Mark Hanson

Dallas County Board of Supervisors
902 Court St.
Adel, Iowa, 50003

March 28, 2023

Dear Chief Information Officer and Review Committee,

The Dallas County Board of Supervisors would like to express our full support of the application submitted by the Dallas Center, Iowa in response to the OCIO Invitation to Qualify for a Broadband Intervention Zone. The community of Dallas Center, representing local businesses and residents, has identified a specific area of geographic concern with regards to existing broadband availability. This proposed Broadband Intervention Zone is both in and around the community of Dallas Center in NW Dallas County. Pursuant to the Iowa Broadband Map v.5, this area is currently service with speeds that do not facilitate the required 100/20 minimum threshold for broadband connectivity.

We respectfully ask you to consider the Dallas Center ITQ application and designate the Dallas Center area as a geographic area of concern / Intervention Zone for consideration in the next broadband grant program.

Sincerely,

Kim E. Chapman, Chairman
Dallas County Board of Supervisors

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Old Highway 6

240th St
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Dallas Center

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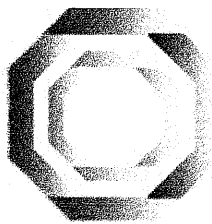
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Dallas County Home Care and Hospice



Dallas Center

Betterment Foundation

Building a stronger Dallas Center community.

March 27, 2023

To Whom it May Concern:

The Dallas Center Betterment Foundation was incorporated to raise money and invest in improving our community. Nearly all of the businesses in Dallas Center are contributing members to our organization. We recently worked with our community's Planning and Zoning Board's survey of the community to identify priorities. Improving Internet/Broadband access was clearly identified as a need in our community.

We recently heard a presentation from representatives of the Dallas Center and Minburn Communications staffs about the ITQ request to provide broadband services to unserved areas around Dallas Center. Please accept this letter as our strongest possible support for that effort. Improving the Internet access by all of the businesses and homes in our region is one of our association's highest priorities! We are especially pleased to see your efforts to extend the fiber optic connections to the homes and businesses along Highway 169, one of our most under-served areas.

Sincerely,

Scott Gustafson
Board President

March 28, 2023

Crossroads Ag
23185 240th St.
Dallas Center, IA 50063

To Whom it May Concern:

Crossroads Ag is the oldest retail business for several miles north and south on Highway 169. We are quite dissatisfied with our current speed of Internet connectivity. The Dallas Center Betterment Foundation recently contacted us to see if we could support Dallas Center and Minburn Communications application (an ITQ, I think it was called) to provide broadband services to underserved areas around Dallas Center. We certainly fit that description!

May we recognize that are giving our very strong support for that effort! I'm sure that improving the Internet access would appeal to all of the businesses and homes up and down this highway.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jacquie Johnson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jacquie Johnson
Manager