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

Chariton Valley Planning & Development Council of Governments is applying on behalf of rural regions of Appanoose, Lucas, Monroe and Wayne counties, Iowa, and the City of Mystic, City of Albia, City of Chariton and the City of Seymour in response to the OCIO Invitation to Qualify for a Broadband Intervention Zone. Those counties in association with local organizations within our region represented geography, has identified a specific area of geographic concern with regards to existing broadband availability.

As such, we are proposing that a Broadband Intervention Zone be established for the 8-mile radius around the communities in rural Appanoose, Lucas, Monroe and Wayne Counties. Pursuant to the Iowa Broadband Map v.5, this area is currently being served by multiple broadband providers and with speeds that do not facilitate the required 100/20 minimum threshold for robust connectivity.

Robust broadband is critical to this community's continued economic growth, and to ensure local citizens have access to essential infrastructure required for health, safety, and education of current and future generations.

Please see prospective intervention zones for each county below.

Sincerely,

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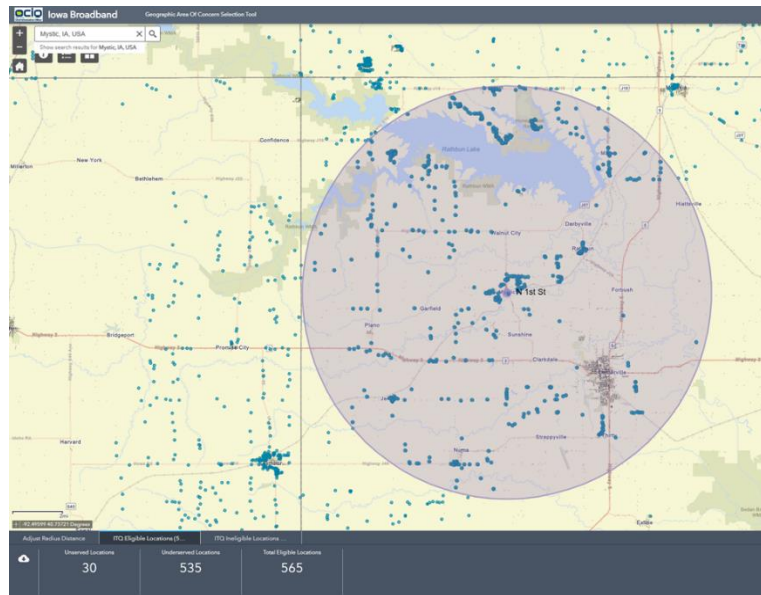
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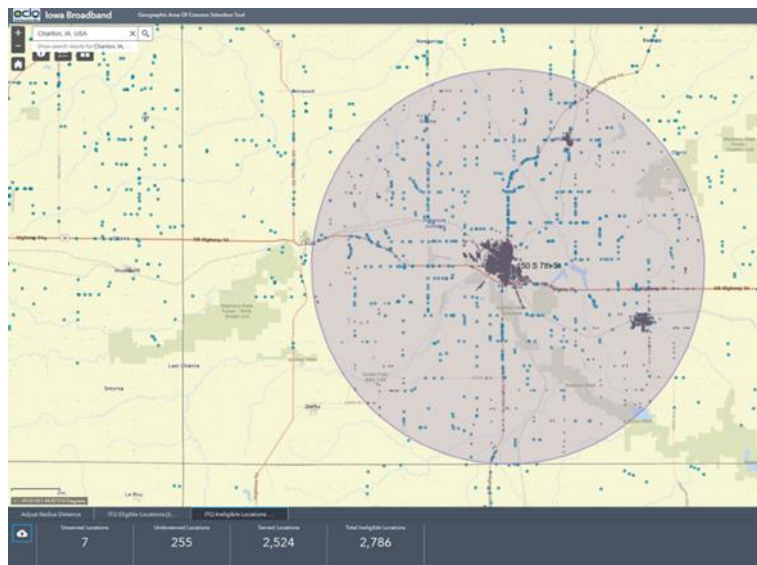
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The prospective Intervention Zone would bring needed broadband connectivity to 565 currently underserved homes and businesses in the area as further represented by the diagram below:



Appanoose County

The prospective Intervention Zone would bring needed broadband connectivity to 681 currently underserved homes and businesses in the area as further represented by the diagram below:



Lucas County



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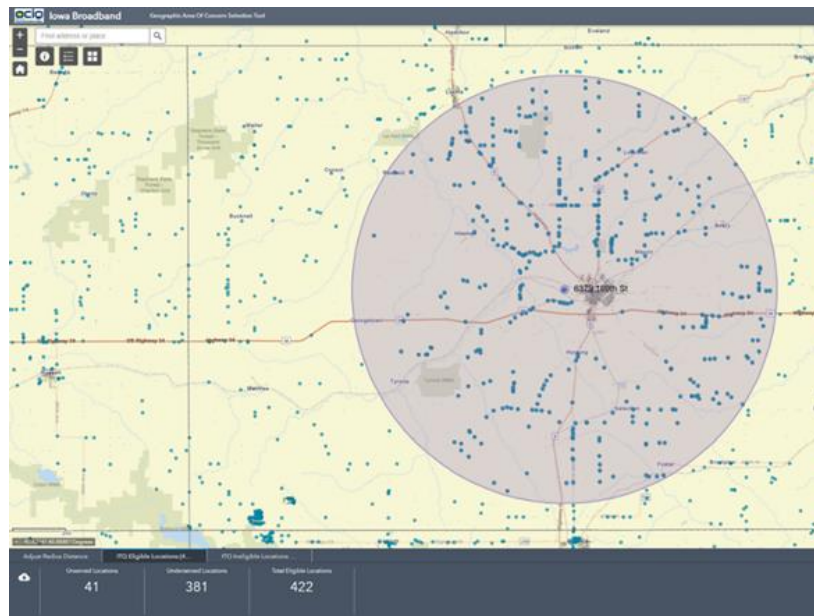
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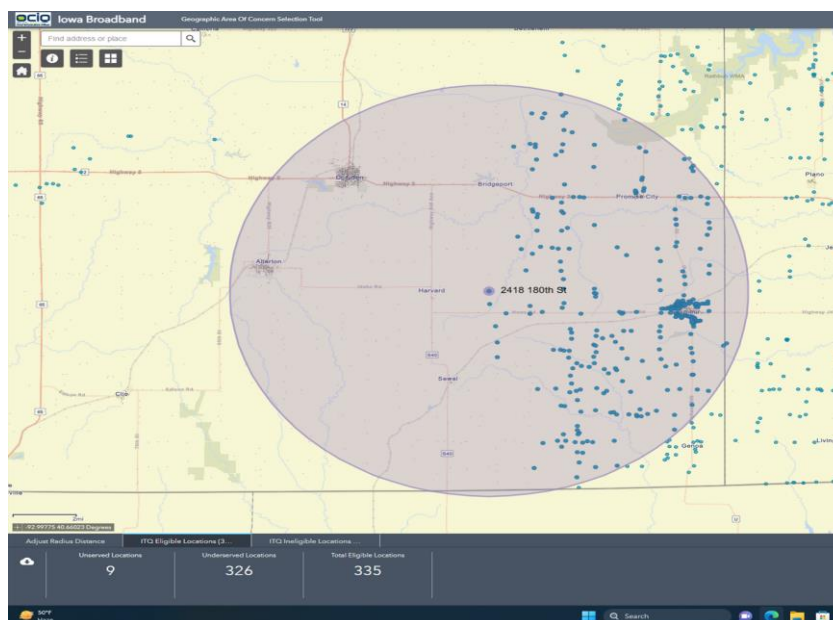
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The prospective Intervention Zone would bring needed broadband connectivity to 422 currently underserved homes and businesses in the area as further represented by the diagram below:



Monroe County

The prospective Intervention Zone would bring needed broadband connectivity to 335 currently underserved homes and businesses in the area as further represented by the diagram below:



Wayne County