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409811 - Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa - NOFA #006 - Final Application

418174 - Rural Clarinda, Bedford and Corning Fiber Investment  
Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa

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Applicant Information

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Program Area of Interest\*: OCIO Test Program

Organization Information

Organization Name\*: Farmers Mutual Telephone Company  
Organization Type\*: Private  
DUNS:  
Organization Website: www.myfmtc.com  
Address: 410 Broad Avenue  
City: Stanton Iowa 51573  
Phone: 712-829-2111  
Benefactor  
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**County(ies) Participating, Involved, or Affected by this Proposal\*** Page County, Taylor County  
**Congressional District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal\*** 3rd - Rep Cindy Axne  
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**Iowa Senate District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal\*** 12  
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**Iowa House District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal\*** 23  
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**Business Organization - NOFA #006**

*Please list the business legal name as it is used by federal and state taxing agencies, banks, and for other legal purposes.*

**Business Legal Name\*** Farmers Mutual Telephone Company  
**Doing Business As:** Farmers Mutual Telephone Company  
**Physical Address**  
**Street \*** 410 Broad Ave, PO Box 220  
**City\*** Stanton  
**State\*** IA  
**Zip\*** 51573  
**Mailing Address (used for warrants and/or payments)**  
**Street or PO Box \*** 410 Broad Ave, PO Box 220  
**City\*** Stanton  
**State\*** IA  
**Zip Code\*** 51573

## Applicant Business Structure

Is the Applicant a Communications Service Provider as defined by Iowa Code chapter 8B, including but not limited to private sector carriers, local governments, utilities, and other entities that provide or intend to provide Broadband service.

Communication Service Provider\* Yes

Identification of whether the Applicant is a subsidiary of one or more parent companies.

Are you a subsidiary of one or more parent companies?\* No

## Executive Project Summary NOFA #006

The section requires Applicant to affirm whether or not state funds are necessary for the Project to proceed.

Are state funds necessary for the project to proceed?\* No

This section requires an Applicant to describe how the Project will or will not proceed if State funds requested are not ultimately awarded.

Describe how the Project will or will not proceed if state funds requested are not ultimately awarded.\*

The rural Clarinda, rural Bedford and rural Lenox areas defined by this project aligns with FMTC's Re-Connect Award from Rural Utilities Service. So, this project will proceed in any case to meet the requirements of the Re-Connect award. However, this project's budget is significantly strained due to the increased cost of fiber installation labor and cost of materials since the Re-Connect application is submitted. The Re-Connect award budget is approximately \$985k or 21% over budget. This project and other rural project would be greatly affected without Iowa Grant funds.

Has construction on the project begun?\* No

## Project Status

Project Milestone	Estimated Completion date	Costs Incurred
Rural Clarinda, Bedford and Lenox FTTH Project	04/01/2025	\$5,763,861.00

## Demonstrated Experience NOFA #006

This section requires information about Applicant's demonstrated experience in provisioning Broadband across the State of Iowa. Applicant shall include relevant information about their experience that has prepared them to deploy their Project, such as, for example, community partnerships and services; history of organization; number of years in business; number of years of experience providing the types of services sought by this NOFA #006; if the Applicant is a relatively new provider/market entrant, an explanation of the benefits, if any, of being a newer provider/market entrant; the level of technical experience in providing the types of services sought by this NOFA #006.

Demonstrated Experience\* [Broadband Operation Experience.docx](#)

## References

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## Community Support Letter

Community Support Letter [Page and Taylor County Supervisor Letters.pdf](#)

**Minority Impact Statement**

Does the proposed grant program or policy have a disproportionate or unique **positive impact** on minority persons? \*

No

Could the proposed grant program or policy have a disproportionate or unique **negative impact** on minority persons? \*

No

I hereby certify the information above is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.\*

Yes

\* CFO  
Title

Timothy  
First Name

Eklund  
Last Name

**Broadband Grants Core Application - Exhibits B, C, D, and D.1**

Applicant requests that the contents of their application remain confidential in whole or in part, pursuant to Section 2.2.6.6. and 7.18 of the NOFA #006.

**DISCLAIMER: An applicant requesting confidential treatment of portions of an application must attach a redacted public copy of the application. If the applicant fails to attach a redacted public copy pursuant to Section 7.18.1 of the NOFA #006, the Office shall be relieved from any responsibility for maintaining the confidentiality of the application pursuant to 7.18.4 of the NOFA #006.**

NOTE: Applicants are ONLY required to submit a Public Redacted Copy IF they are requesting confidential treatment with respect to an aspect of their Application. Further, the mere fact that an Applicant submits a Public Redacted Copy (or otherwise requests confidential treatment) does not ensure the aspects of the Application that are redacted (or for which confidential treatment is otherwise sought) will be treated as confidential; the Office will only afford confidential treatment to the extent requests comply with the terms, conditions, and requirements of the NOFA #006, and solely to the extent permitted by Iowa Code Chapter 22 and the Office's corresponding fair information practices rules available at 129 IAC 2.

Full Unredacted Copy\* [Broadband\\_Grants\\_Core\\_Application\\_NOFA006\\_21.06.02 1.xlsm](#)

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Optional Upload: A letter from a professional engineer certifying that the proposed Project design will be capable of simultaneously Facilitating 100/100 Broadband or 100/20 Broadband, as applicable, to the Total Broadband Units Facilitated as represented in Applicant's proposed Project.

Professional Engineer Project Certification Letter [Professional Engineer Project Certification Letter.pdf](#)

**Broadband Grants Program Grant Agreement - Exhibit E**

Have you read and do you accept the terms and conditions set forth in the grant agreement (Exhibit E)?\*

Yes

**Certification, Authorization, and Release of Information - Exhibit F**

Certification Letter (Public)\* [ExhibitF-CertificationLetterNOFA006.pdf](#)

**Request for Confidentiality or Form 22 - Exhibit G**

Form 22 (Public)\* [ExhibitG-RequestforConfidentiality-Form22NOFA006.pdf](#)

**Project Budget**

Category	Description	Total Estimated Cost \$ (Exhibit D)	Total Estimated Cost \$ (Exhibit D1)	Total Estimated Project Budget (D+D1)	Requested Grant Support %(enter percentage here)	Grant Request (Est. Cost * Request %)
Conduit		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00

				Control Number 448174	
Fiber/Copper	Fiber Cable	\$664,368.00	\$0.00	\$664,368.00	\$362,346.31
OSP Engineering	Staking Sheets, Inventory, Pay Request, As-Builts	\$290,000.00	\$0.00	\$290,000.00	54.54 \$158,166.00
Design Engineering		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 \$0.00
Construction Mgmt.		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 \$0.00
Tower		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 \$0.00
Antenna		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 \$0.00
Boring		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 \$0.00
Trenching		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 \$0.00
Knifing	Plowing Fiber	\$3,549,045.00	\$0.00	\$3,549,045.00	54.54 \$1,935,649.14
Switching Equipment	Switching Feature Set for Locations	\$36,000.00	\$0.00	\$36,000.00	54.54 \$19,634.40
Routing Equipment		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 \$0.00
Optical Equipment	Optical Line Terminal (OLT)	\$195,804.00	\$0.00	\$195,804.00	54.54 \$106,791.50
Customer Premise Equipment	Optical Network Terminal (ONT), Service Line and Wiring	\$979,908.00	\$0.00	\$979,908.00	54.54 \$534,441.82
Other	Buildings	\$21,736.00	\$0.00	\$21,736.00	54.54 \$11,854.81
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$5,736,861.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$5,736,861.00</b>	<b>\$3,128,883.98</b>

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