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

**418642 - EBTC Winthrop Town Project**  
**Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa**

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### Applicant Information

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City\*

Winthrop  
City

Iowa  
State/Province

50682  
Postal Code/Zip

Phone:\*

319-935-3011  
Phone

Ext.

Program Area of Interest\*

Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa

Fax:

Agency

#### Organization Information

Organization Name:\*

East Buchanan Telephone Cooperative

Organization Type:\*

Non-Profit Organization

DUNS:

Organization Website:

[www.eastbuchanan.com](http://www.eastbuchanan.com)

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Benefactor

**Cover Sheet-General Information****Authorized Official**

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**Title\*** General Manager  
**Organization\*** East Buchanan Telephone Cooperative  
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**Address\*** 214 Third Street North  
 PO Box 100  
**City/State/Zip\*** Winthrop Iowa 50682  
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**Telephone Number\*** 319-935-3011  
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**Fiscal Officer/Agent**

*Please enter the "Fiscal Officer" for your Organization.*

*If you are an individual, please provide your First and Last Name.*

**Name\*** Mike Becker  
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**Organization** East Buchanan Telephone Cooperative  
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**County(ies) Participating, Involved, or Affected by this Proposal\*** Buchanan County  
**Congressional District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal\*** 1st - Rep. Ashley Hinson  
Congressional Map  
**Iowa Senate District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal\*** 32  
District Map  
**Iowa House District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal\*** 64  
District Map

**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\*** East Buchanan Telephone Cooperative

**Doing Business As:****Physical Address**

**Street \*** 214 Third Street North  
**City\*** Winthrop  
**State\*** IA  
**Zip\*** 50682

**Mailing Address (used for warrants and/or payments)**

**Street or PO Box \*** PO Box 100  
**City\*** Winthrop  
**State\*** IA

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50682

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## 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?\* Yes

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.\*

This fiber deployment project will not proceed as designed without state funding. We cannot build out the entire town without assistance. The HSBs in this location are served by DSL with limited speed capacity under 80 Mbps and lower speeds.

The construction performed in the non-TSA areas will provide service at the 1 Gbps download speeds to all homes, business, and schools located in the TSAs. These TSAs currently do not receive the rates that are indicated on the current broadband map due to a Connected Nation error. We have mapped the town of Winthrop on a DSL route basis to determine which HSBs have speeds available within each designated Tier in the grant application. These TSAs are all distant from our CO and not able to obtain the faster non-TSA speeds due to length of the copper cable route.

EBTC in conjunction with our financial consultants, BKD, have studied the summation of our NOFA 6 grant applications and have concluded that all these projects can be financially feasible with grant funding assistance. Please contact us with any questions.

Has construction on the project begun? \* No

## Project Status

Project Milestone	Estimated Completion date	Costs Incurred
Construction Start	03/01/2022	\$0.00
Construction Completion of TSAs	09/30/2022	\$1,428,993.68

## 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\* [NOFA Appl 418642 EBTC - Demonstrated Experience.docx](#)

## References

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**Community Support Letter**

Community Support Letter

[NOFA 6 Appl 418642 EBTC - Community Support 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

*	General Manager	Mike	Becker
	Title	First Name	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 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.

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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

**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)\*

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

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Form 22 (Public)\*

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**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	Conduit for mainline plowing	\$67,414.86	\$39,661.34	\$107,076.20	45.04	\$48,227.12
Fiber/Copper	Fiber for mainline and drops	\$57,104.35	\$33,595.49	\$90,699.84	45.04	\$40,851.21
OSP Engineering	Staking to CAD	\$11,896.74	\$6,999.06	\$18,895.80	45.04	\$8,510.67
Design Engineering	Design and layout	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$12,000.00	45.04	\$5,404.80
Construction Mgmt.	Contracts, inspections, and as-built	\$261,200.21	\$87,066.74	\$348,266.95	45.04	\$156,859.43
Tower		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Antenna		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Boring	Boring culverts, driveways, rock, drops to homes, etc.	\$185,550.75	\$151,814.25	\$337,365.00	45.04	\$151,949.20
Trenching		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Knifing	Plowing mainline and drops	\$270,473.76	\$145,638.44	\$416,112.20	45.04	\$187,416.93
Switching Equipment	Switch line cards	\$0.00	\$13,946.95	\$13,946.95	45.04	\$6,281.71
Routing Equipment		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Optical Equipment	CSFP/SFP/SFP+	\$0.00	\$2,964.00	\$2,964.00	45.04	\$1,334.99
Customer Premise Equipment	ONTs including install labor	\$73,704.00	\$0.00	\$73,704.00	45.04	\$33,196.28
Other	Peds, Handholes, Splice cases, Ped Prep, NIDs, etc.	\$677,725.50	\$13,831.13	\$691,556.63	45.04	\$311,477.11
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$1,611,070.17</b>	<b>\$501,517.40</b>	<b>\$2,112,587.57</b>		<b>\$951,509.45</b>

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