

Addendum #3 —Broadband Grant NOFA #006 Scoring Rubric¹

July 27, 2021

A total of one hundred **(100) points** distributed over the nine (9) factors identified in Notice of Funding Availability (“NOFA”) #006 are available for Applications submitted to the Office in response to NOFA #006. This Addendum #3 identifies the specific point values assigned to each evaluation factor set forth in Section 3.1 Quantitative Factors.

Scoring Categories	Weight (Percentage (%) of 100 points available)	Points (Total Points Available (100) * Weight = Points)
3.1.1 Rurality (Iowa Code § 8B.11(4)(a)(1))*	13.89	13.89%
3.1.2 Efficiency (Iowa Code § 8B.11(4)(a)(7))	2.78	2.78%
3.1.3 Total Broadband Units Facilitated (Iowa Code § 8B.11(4)(a)(7))	2.78	2.78%
3.1.4 Completeness (Iowa Code § 8B.11(4)(a)(5))	8.33	8.33%
3.1.5 Relative Speed (Iowa Code § 8B.11(4)(a)(3))*	16.67	16.67%
3.1.6 Prospective Product Attributes (Iowa Code § 8B.11(4)(a)(4))	2.78	2.78%
3.1.7 Budget Composition (Iowa Code § 8B.11(4)(a)(2))*	11.11	11.11%
3.1.8 Relative Need for New Broadband and Existing Broadband Service Speeds (Iowa Code § 8B.11(4)(a)(1))*	19.44	19.44%
3.1.9 Tier 1 Composition (Iowa Code § 8B.11(4)(a)(6))*	22.22	22.22%

¹While the Office will utilize the points system, weights, and values identified herein as a tool to assist in initial determinations as to the relative merits of each Application, such scores are in no way binding on the Office. The Office will ultimately make award decisions in its sole discretion regarding whether, to which Projects, and in what amounts to award grant funds. Such decisions will be based on which Projects are most likely to have the greatest effect in leveraging state funds and public and private partnerships where possible, by awarding grants to Communications Service Providers that most effectively reduce or eliminate Targeted Service Areas by installing Broadband Infrastructure facilitating Broadband service at or above 100/20 or 100/100, whichever is applicable. All such determinations will take into consideration the factors outlined in Iowa Code section 8B.11 and Iowa Administrative Code rule 129—22 and other relevant factors identified in this NOFA, including the Greatest Weight Factors as defined herein and denoted in the above table with an asterisk (*).