## Statewide Education Technology Infrastructure Network

Public School Capital Outlay Oversight Task Force

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Partnering with New Mexico's communities to provide quality, sustainable school facilities for our students and educators.

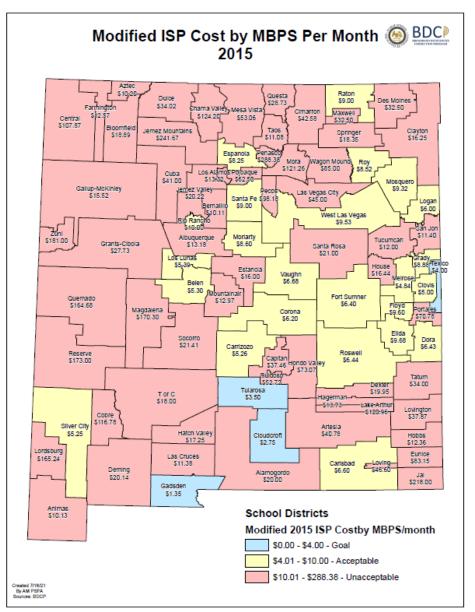
#### **Agenda**

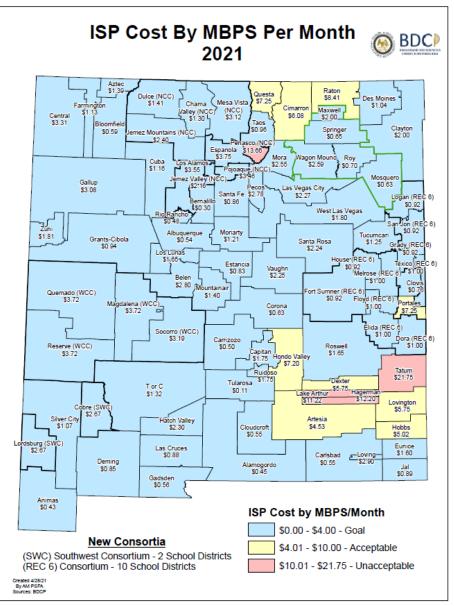
- PSFA Broadband Program Background.
- SB144 What is it?
  - 1. Student Connectivity.
  - 2. Statewide Education Network.
- Preliminary Framework.
- Next Steps / Timeline Review.
- Questions.

### **PSFA Broadband Program Background**

- Number of projects: 270 (2016 2020).
- Value of upgrades: ~\$100M / 88% E-rate.
- NM K12 Rank Nationwide (E-rate): Top 3/5.
- NM K12 Broadband unit price reduction: 80%.
- Increase in average K12 broadband speed: 6X.

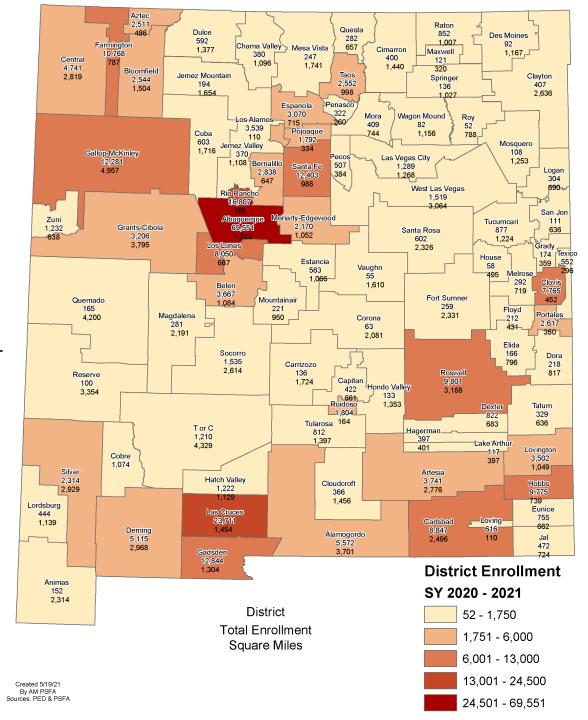
#### **PSFA Broadband Program: Progress**





## NM School Districts Enrollment Heat Map

- Most of NM is remote, rural, and sparsely populated.
- IT expertise (qualified manpower) is not uniformly available.
- Large geographic areas with few locations purchasing highspeed internet is a challenge for market providers of network connectivity, services, and equipment.
- Statewide technology infrastructure network will provide better connectivity and expert network management services to all areas of NM.



#### SB144 - Broadband / Ed Technology

1. Connect students and teachers wherever they are (home).

- Create a Statewide Education Network (SEN).
  - "The council shall develop guidelines for a statewide education technology infrastructure network that integrates regional hub locations for network services and the installation and maintenance of equipment."

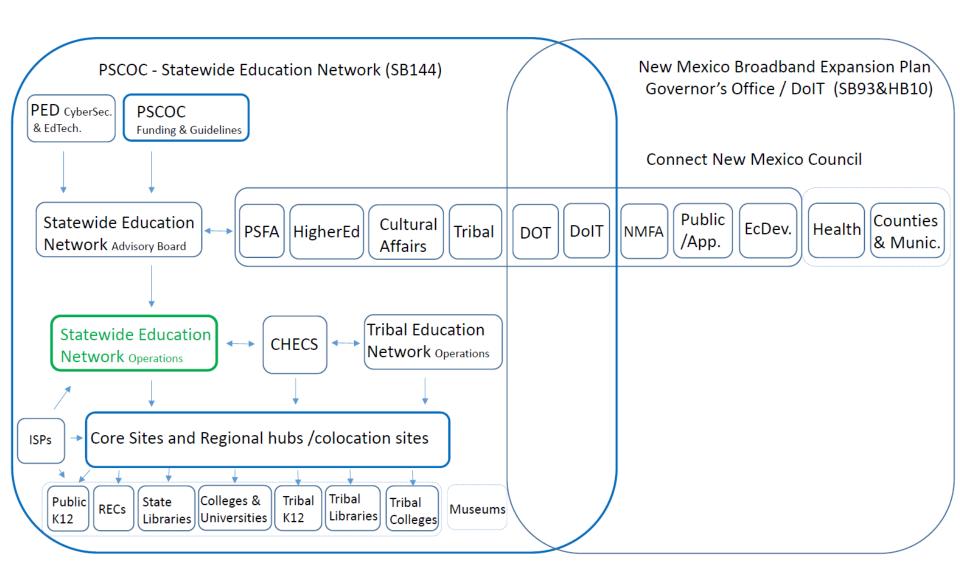
## Student and Teacher Connectivity: Immediate Solution

- 1. Connect students and teachers wherever they are (home).
  - PED is leading this effort responding to Yazzie/Martinez.
  - CTC Technology and Energy Under contract.
    - EBB: \$3.2B (Started May until money runs out) Monthly service.
      - ISP Families.
      - NM has ~800,000 households.
      - $\circ$  41,500 (~5%) x \$60 = ~\$2.5M / Mo.
      - 70% of NM students are eligible for EBB.
    - ECF: \$7.2B (June 30 August 13) Modems & one year of service.
      - ISP Schools.
      - No forms 470: negotiated or RFP (over \$60,000).
      - E-rate pays schools or ISPs.

# Student and Teacher Connectivity: Long-term Solution

- 2. Create a Statewide Education Network (SEN).
  - PSCOC approves guidelines and state (PSCOF) funding.
  - Create advisory committee/governance framework.
  - Connect school sites together within districts and regionally.
  - Expansion of regional consortia model for internet services and network infrastructure projects.
  - Provide network management and cybersecurity expertise.
  - Phased approach to begin with ready/interested school districts.
  - Maximize access to federal E-rate funding for NM.

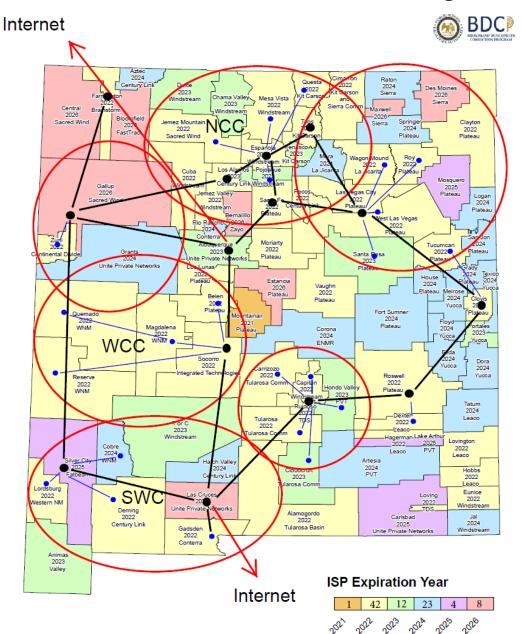
### **SEN: Preliminary Org Chart**



## **SEN: Preliminary Roles and Responsibilities**

Organization	Roles and responsibilities						
PSCOC	Approves guidelines, implementation framework and expenditures.						
PED	Provides Education Technology and Cybersecurity funding (currently \$1.5M) & leadership (Chief Information Security Officer).						
Statewide Education Network (SEN – Name TBD) Advisory Board	Provides strategic input and operational recommendations to the PSCOC and PSFA, on behalf of all the SEN members.  Membership: thirteen seats representing members as follows:  • Five members from school districts (one large: over						
	15,000 students; one medium: 8,000 – 15,000 students, three small: less than 2,000 students  One charter school  Two Higher Ed (one University, one College)						
	One library  One tribal  PED CIO  Office of Broadband and Expansion Director						
Network Operations	<ul> <li>PSFA Director</li> <li>Provides technical resources (contract, collaboration with other organizations or own staff) to professionally run the Statewide Education Network.</li> </ul>						
Internet Service Providers (ISPs)	Provide cost-effective, E-rate eligible commodity Internet and Data Transport circuits. Could also provide contract E- rate eligible Network Management services.						
Core Sites	Locations where the SEN connects to the Internet.						
Regional Hubs (collocation)	Aggregation sites established regionally where network equipment is installed and maintained and network servic are performed for all members. Could be shared with other state network efforts.						
CHECS	The New Mexico Council for Higher Education Computing/Communication Services is a non-profit consortium whose members are professionals from the computing services divisions. CHECS currently provides Internet Access to multiple Higher Education organizations.						
Tribal/Pueblo Education Network	Network collaboration between pueblos / tribes and Santa Fe Indian School. Partner effort to the New Mexico Statewide Education Network.						
Public K12, RECs, State Libraries, Colleges and Universities, Tribal K12, Tribal Colleges, possibly museums	Potential members of the collaborative between the Statewide Education Network (SB144), CHECS and the Pueblo/Tribal Education Network						

#### SEN: Preliminary, Conceptual Map



#### Legend:

**Blue dot:** District Point of Presence (POP)/ Equipment Location.

Blue line: 1 Gbps Fiber Circuit.

**Black dot:** Regional Network Equipment Aggregation/ Colocation Site.

**Black line:** 10+ Gbps Fiber Backbone.

#### **SEN: Preliminary Financial Plan**

SB144 (Statewide Education Network) - Implementation
Preliminary financial plan
(All projected amounts in \$Millions)

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		Year																
		FY22		FY23		FY24		FY25		FY26		Total State five years		Potential E-rate		Total		
	Number of member districts	25		30		20		7		7							89	
1	Statewide Education Network Initial setup and operations (100% State)*	\$	0.5	\$	0.5	\$	0.5	\$	0.5	\$	0.5	\$	2.5	\$	-	\$	2.5	1
2	Backbone fiber construction (State share of E-rate match)**	\$	2.0	\$	2.0	\$	0.5	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4.5	\$	30.0	\$	34.5	2
3	IA and Data Transport Cost including pre-K (State share of E-rate match)***	\$	1.0	\$	1.5	\$	2.0	\$	2.0	\$	2.0	\$	8.5	\$	56.7	\$	65.2	3
4	Aggregation hub development**** (100% State)	\$	0.5	\$	1.0	\$	1.0	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2.5	\$	-	\$	2.5	4
5	Equipment replacement (State share for potential E-rate match)	\$	0.5	\$	0.5	\$	1.0	\$	2.0	\$	2.0	\$	6.0	\$	40.0	\$	46.0	5
6	Network Management (State share for potential E-rate match - shown @ 50%)	\$	1.5	\$	2.0	\$	2.5	\$	3.0	\$	3.0	\$	12.0	\$	24.0	\$	36.0	6
7	Cybersecurity* (\$1.5M PED match and potential future appropriations)	\$	1.0	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1.0	\$	-	\$	1.0	7
8	BDCP regular projects (Cat1 & Cat2 upgrades - State share for E-rate match)	\$	2.0	\$	2.0	\$	2.0	\$	2.0	\$	2.0	\$	10.0	\$	66.7	\$	76.7	8
9	Contingency	\$	1.0	\$	0.5	\$	0.5	\$	0.5	\$	0.5	\$	3.0	\$	-	\$	3.0	9
10		\$	10.0	\$	10.0	\$	10.0	\$	10.0	\$	10.0	\$	50.0	\$	217.3	\$	267.3	10

<sup>\*</sup> Includes: Non-profit setup and contract engineering, procurement support etc...

<sup>\*\*</sup> Fiber construction to connect Aggregation sites without other options

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Provide the E-rate match for IA and Data transport as incentive for participants

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup> Aggregation hubs remodel to ensure power, cooling, security

#### **SEN: Next Steps**

#### Timeline – First Phase:

- August October 2021: High-level, statewide engineering / conceptual planning, and procurement development.
- November 2021 January 2022: Procurement for E-rate eligible services and projects.
- January February 2022: Contracting for E-rate eligible services and projects.
- March 2022: E-rate funding application deadline.
- July 2022: Begin implementation of Phase 1 contracts for services and projects.

#### **Questions**

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#### Thank You!