

Background Material for the Third Meeting of the

# Economic & Rural Development & Policy Committee

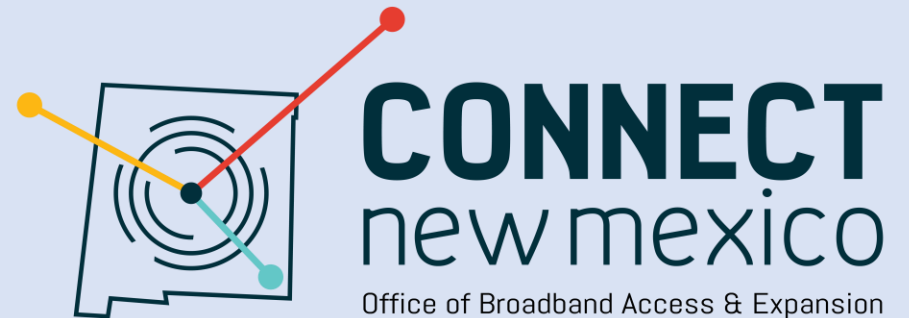
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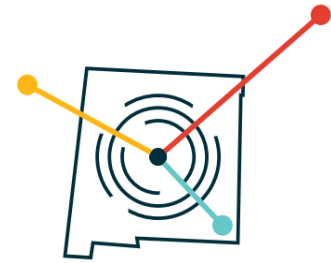
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# Additional Resources

# Broadband 101: Why Broadband

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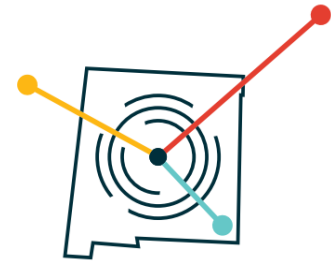
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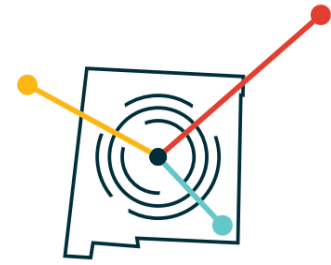
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## Broadband 101: Technology Types



### **Wireless:**

- Data transmitted through airwaves.
- Slower speeds (typically in Mbps).
- Shared bandwidth, can be affected by network traffic.
- Prone to interference (e.g., weather, physical obstacles).
- Higher latency (delay in data transfer).

### **Fiber:**

- Data transmitted via optical cables.
- Only truly symmetrical tech type (e.g., 100/100 Mbps)
- Faster speeds (often in Gbps).
- Dedicated bandwidth, consistent performance.
- Highly reliable, immune to most interference.
- Low latency, ideal for real-time applications.

### **Satellite:**

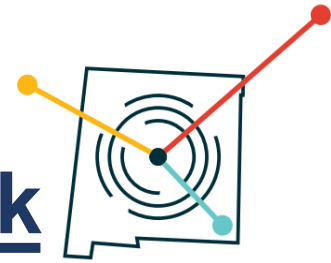
- Data transmitted via orbiting satellites.
- Slower speeds (typically in Mbps).
- Shared bandwidth, affected by network congestion
- Prone to interference (e.g., weather conditions).
- High latency due to the distance to orbiting satellites.

### **DSL:**

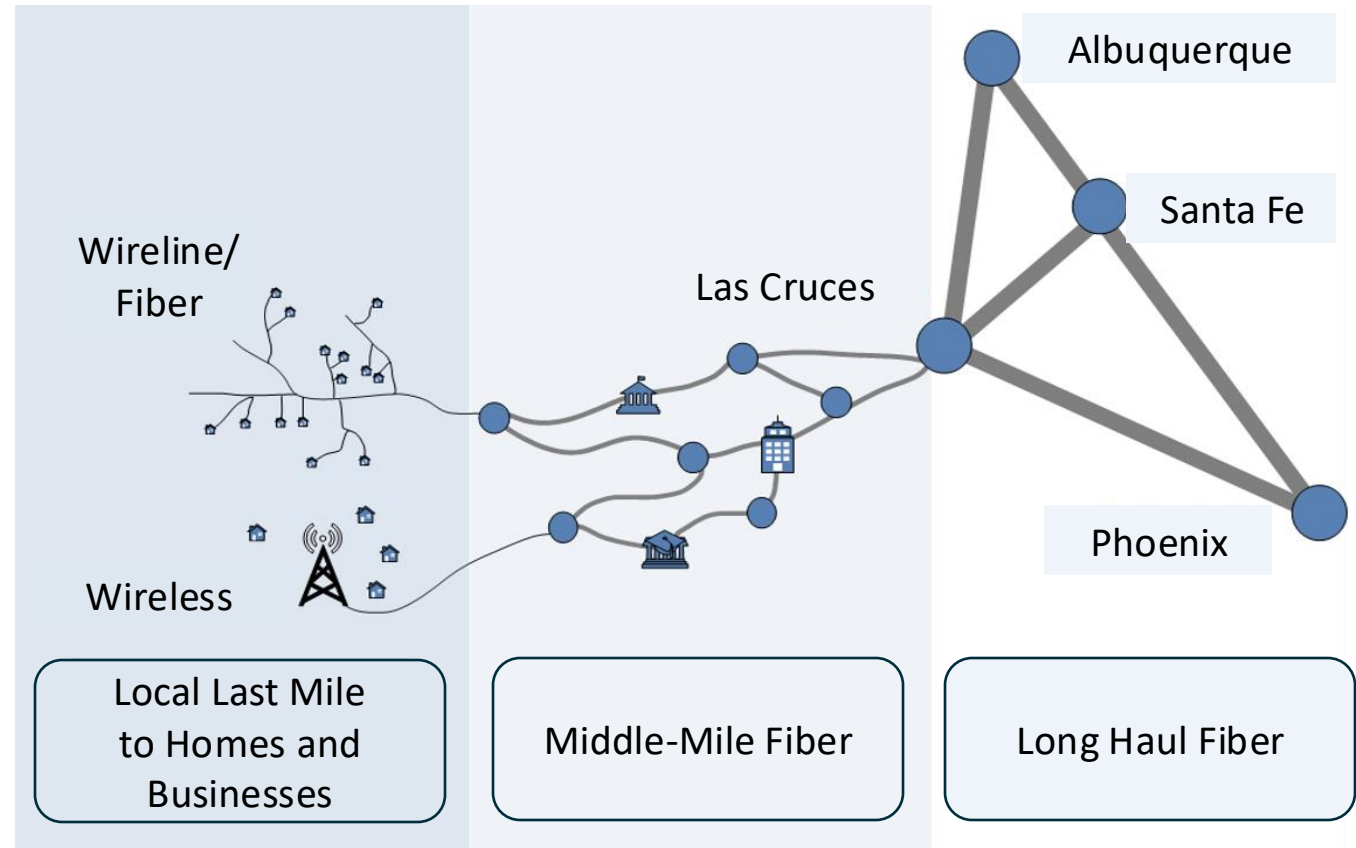
- Data transmitted via signals carried over traditional copper phone lines.
- Shares bandwidth with other users in the same neighborhood.
- Slower speeds (typically in Mbps).
- Prone to slowdowns during peak usage times.
- Susceptible to interference, especially over long distances.
- High latency, usually due to network congestion

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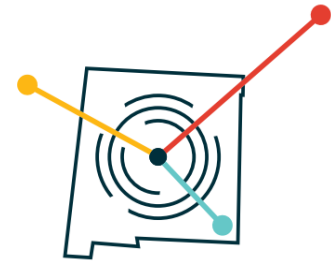
## Broadband 101: Elements of a Broadband Network



- Long haul fiber
- Middle mile fiber
- Last mile (wireline or wireless)



# Additional Resources Mapping: Changes



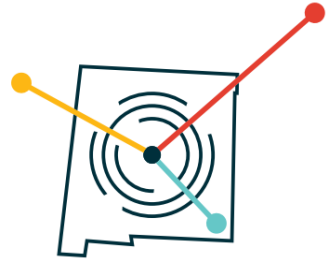
2023

- Approximately 140k locations unserved and underserved

2024

- Approximately 72k BEAD eligible locations\* (expected to change - final BEAD numbers pending NTIA approvals)
- Currently anticipate approximately 45K to 55k to be approved by NTIA

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Locations removed and added:

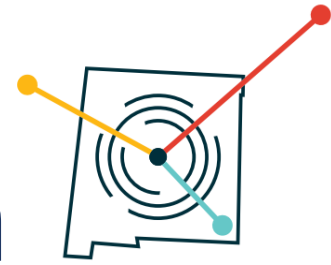
- Grants
- Internet Service Provider Corrections
- Service challenges
- Enforceable Commitments

What this can mean:

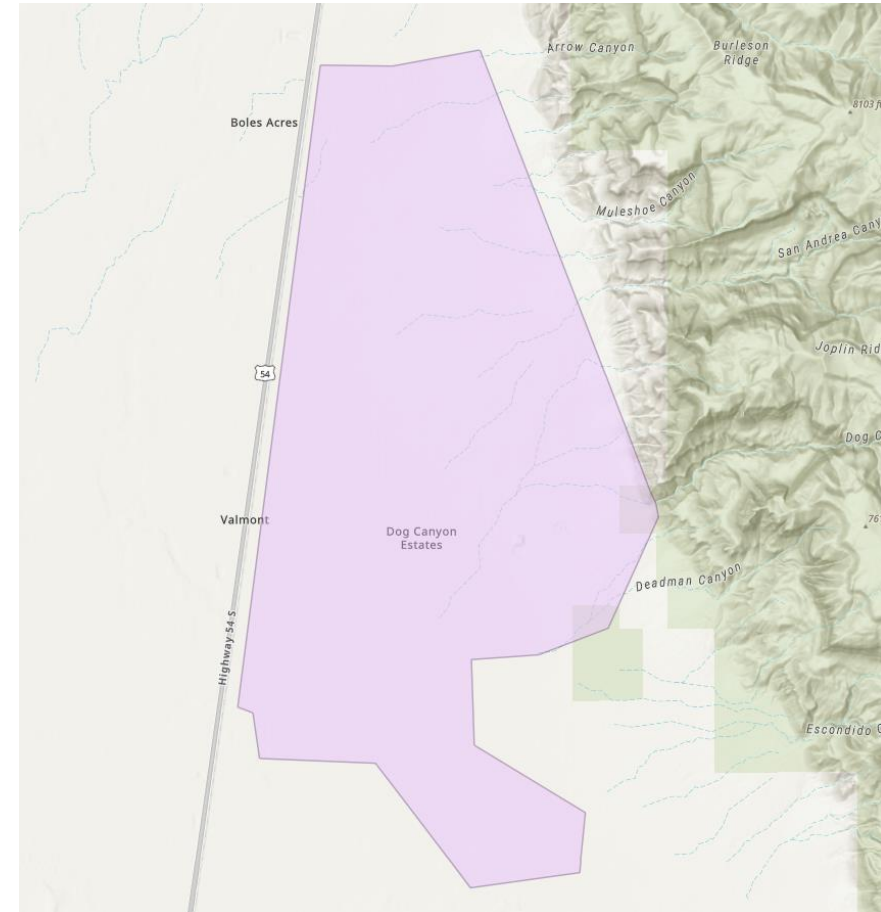
- A home does not have internet today
- Will get service from now until 2035 funded by State and Federal funding

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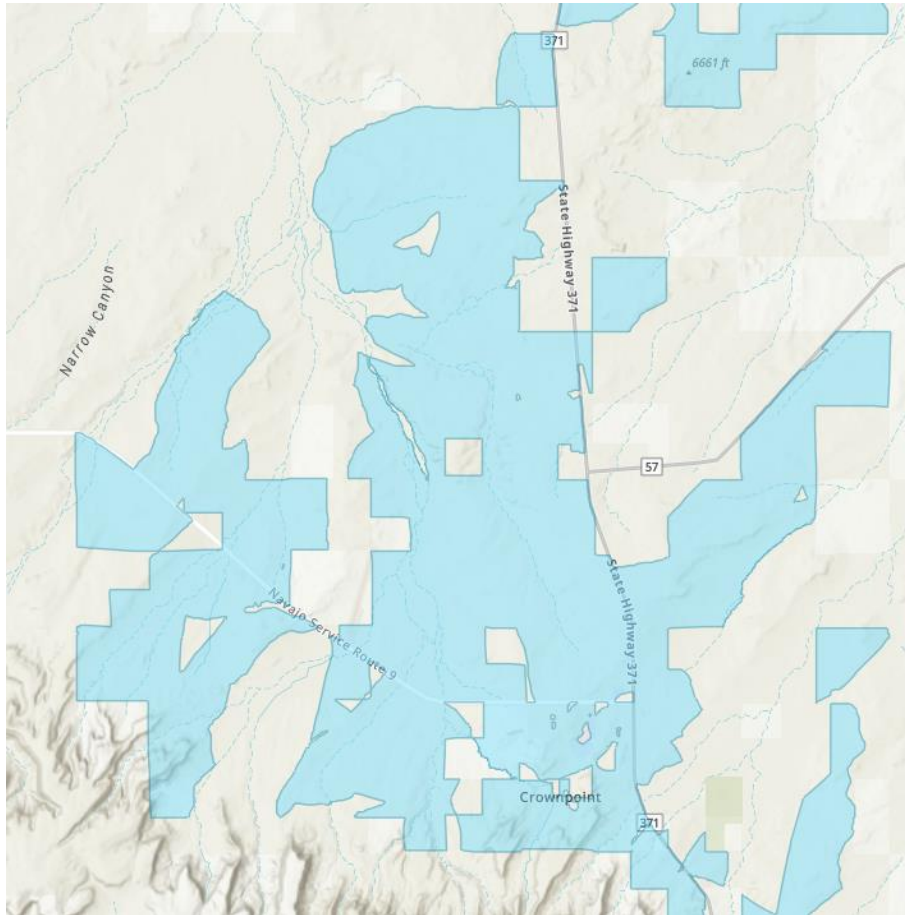
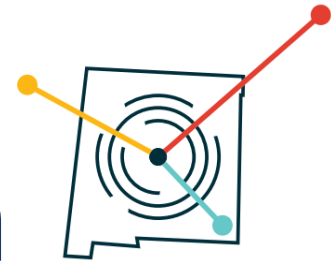
- 630 locations
- APRA CPF (CNM Pilot)
- Currently not connected
- Build expected to be complete Q1 2025





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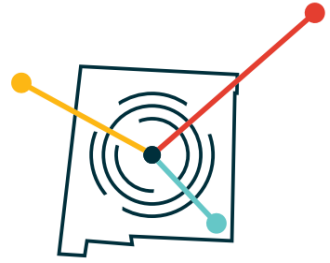
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- Federal Program awarded
- No ROW or Permitting allowed by Tribal Entity
- Locations are off the map, but will not be built to
- Pending FCC and NTIA decisions +/- 10k locations

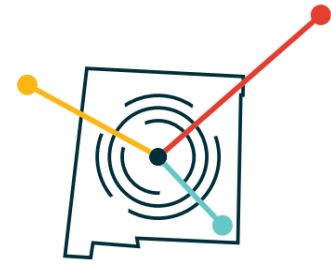
# Additional Resources

## Acronyms:



- ARPA – American Rescue Plan Act
- CPF - Capital Projects Fund
- BEAD – Broadband Equity Access Deployment
- DE – Digital Equity
- DoIT – Department of Information Technology
- FCC – Federal Communication Commission
- MOU – Memorandum of Understanding
- NTIA – National Telecommunications and Information Administration
- OBAE – Office of Broadband Access and Expansion
- PSFA – Public School Facilities Authority
- ROW – Rights of Way
- SEN – State Education Network
- USDA – United State Department of Agriculture

# Additional Resources Websites



## OBAE Homepage

<https://connect.nm.gov/>

## Mapping

<https://connect.nm.gov/nm-broadband-mapping.html>

## Broadband Project Video

[https://youtu.be/Altg8BOP-Ww?si=v5v\\_nMbZDfGwAJwm](https://youtu.be/Altg8BOP-Ww?si=v5v_nMbZDfGwAJwm)

