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Are you responding on behalf of an organization?	Yes
Please provide the name of the organization and address for which you are submitting comments:	Wheat State Telephone, Inc., P.O. Box 320, Udall KS 67146
Which of the following best describes you? (Check all that apply)	Internet provider in proposed service area

I am providing comments related to the following application (comments must be filed individually for each project):

Brightspeed_Sumner

I am submitting comments to express:

Concerns regarding a project

I am sharing concerns about the project:

Proposes to serve an area that already has service

Please provide your comments in the text box below:

Brightspeed Sumner grant application to build a network for the City of Oxford. This application completely overlaps a FTTP network built and operated by Wheat State Telephone since 2018.

In 2018 Wheat State Telephone (WST) and the City of Oxford began discussions about the need for broadband service in the City of Oxford. The city realized how important it was to the community to have robust broadband service and decided to address the issue by forming a working agreement with WST. The WST FTTP network was already built in the Udall area (directly north of Oxford) and in close proximity to Oxford, which lessened the initial cost to build to the City of Oxford. The working agreement (attached) required WST to build and maintain a FTTP broadband network in exchange for initial partial funding assistance by the City of Oxford. This arrangement allowed WST to get FTTP broadband service up and running quickly to the Oxford citizens and businesses. The FTTP broadband network covers the complete Oxford city limits area as well as a part of the area east of Oxford. Other attached documents to verify this service include: a pdf map of Wheat State Telephone's City of Oxford broadband service area, a letter of support from the Mayor of the City of Oxford, a letter of Confirmation of Service from our engineering firm RVW (who engineered the fiber build) and an August 2022 customer count from our billing system. For information on pricing and available services you can also use the online information at <https://wheatstate.com/internet/internet-edge/>

Upload supporting documentation - multiple files should be submitted as a .ZIP file.

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