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	by Matt Ahlstedt in Capital Projects Fund (CPF) Broadband Infrastructure Program: Phase Two Applicant Response Form	id. 32481713
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I am providing response comments related to the following application (choose one):	KansasRuralCommunications_Inman
I am responding to the concern that this project:	Proposes service to an area in which construction is already underway
Please describe:	Responding to LR Communications' challenge (Challenge #0174).

Please provide your response to the public comments received in the text box below:

The locations challenged by Mutual Telephone Company and subsidiary LR Communications, Inc. are contradictory with LR Communications' own CPF grant application. These locations, along Ave T in Rice County from 29th Rd to 31st Rd, as well as along 29th Rd in Rice County between Ave T and Ave V, can only be applied to one of two cases. Case #1 – these locations are included in LR Communications' CPF grant application, which means that they are eligible locations for our grant application, as these locations have no guarantee that they will be served without grant funding. Or Case #2 – these locations are part of the construction in progress - as stated by MTC/LR Communications – and therefore should not have been included in their CPF grant application. The latter of these two cases is stated in the Frequently Asked Questions - Program Questions section on the Capital Project Funds Infrastructure Program webpage (<https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/capital-project-funds-broadband-infrastructure-program/>) as such: "Q. If a project has just begun and is already under construction is it ineligible for this grant process? A. Any project already started prior to this grant program would be ineligible for this grant."

Please provide supporting documents relative to your comments. Please submit multiple files as a ZIP file.

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By submitting this form for public comment and evidence to support your comment, you are accepting responsibility for the accuracy of the information submitted and that it is true and correct to the best of your knowledge. You agree to be contacted by the Kansas Office of Broadband Development, Kansas Department of Commerce should the need arise. Furthermore, by making this submission, you understand that Kansas Department of Commerce and the Office of Broadband Development reserve the right to publicly publish your comment and evidence provided. Falsification of information will result in rejection of future public comment submissions and could result legal action. Please type your name and today's date in the text box below.

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