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The Kansas Office of Broadband Development (KOBD) is in the process of developing its BEAD Initial Proposal as required by the NTIA. This initial plan is divided into Volume 1 and Volume 2. Volume 1 includes initial identification of unserved and underserved locations, definition of community anchor institutions, proposed pre-challenge process location modifications, and the model challenge process. Please use this link to review the entire Initial Proposal Volume 1 document, and feedback on Volume 1 will be captured in the text boxes below. The comment portal will be open from August 1, 2023 through August 30, 2023. KOBD will then review all feedback and submit the Initial Proposal to the NTIA. To access a full copy of Volume 1 of the BEAD Initial Proposal along with accompanying documents, please use the links below:

https://www.kansascommerce.gov/officeofbroadbanddevelopment/broadband equity-access-and-deployment/

I am responding to comments related to the following Volume 1 requirements

Requirement 5: Identification of existing unserved and underserved broadband locations

Comments relating to Requirement 5: Identification of existing unserved and underserved broadband locations My current location is unable to receive reliable internet let alone cellphone signal. I live in a 3-mile-wide path that is serviced by AT&T and they still only have 1940 technology. Everywhere else in Clay County KS is pretty much serviced by Twin Valley with fiber optic cable to their homes. The only way any of use that live close enough to town can get internet is by use of wireless internet. (cell phone based) and the more the people on it the slower it is. the fastest i have had it at my house was 5 mb download speed. But every other year i have to raise the receiver higher and higher, this winter i have to place a pole into the ground to raise the receiver dish at least 40 foot of the ground or i won't have signal next spring that means no internet. While most can receive internet there are a few of us that cannot get high speed still and get forgotten about, and a few of these are young families, a few are resorting to star link because internet is unavailable, i even went on to challenge the cellular coverage map and my provider responded they couldn't provide the service they said they could in my area.

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