

ACA PERMITTING OVERVIEW

Initiative Overview

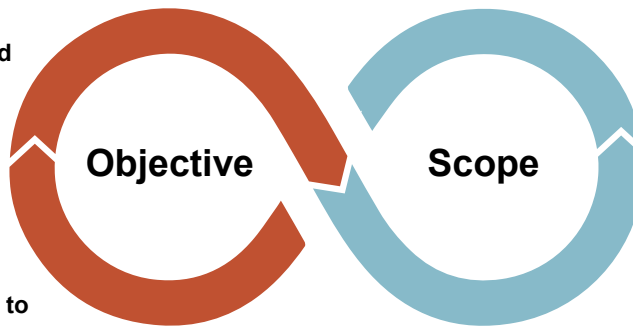
Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA) is implementing the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) program to **expand high-speed internet access across Arizona**. The program promotes access while creating good-paying jobs. ACA is using part of its BEAD funding to **support and coordinate permitting efforts** to help ensure projects can be built within the required timeframe. Resources for subgrantees include a Permitting Resource Hub, mapping tools, and additional support to reduce delays.

Broadband Expansion

- The BEAD program focuses on deploying reliable broadband infrastructure to **unserved and underserved Broadband Serviceable Locations** and eligible **Community Anchor Institutions**

Improving Access

- The program **provide access to broadband services** with the goal of universal connectivity



Mitigate BEAD Risks

- The ACA Permitting Initiative is designed to **reduce risks to the BEAD program** due to the volume of anticipated permit applications and strict build out timeline of the BEAD program.

Key Goals for BEAD Success

- Three key goals to support BEAD implementation: **gathering** pertinent permitting information, **communicating** effectively to subgrantees, and **monitoring** progress to ensure alignment with BEAD objectives

One-Pagers Summary

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[Permitting Leading Practices](#)

Permitting challenges and leading practices / recommendations based on ACA's interviews with agencies and internet service providers to support implementation.

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[Permitting Agencies Snapshot](#)

Snapshot of federal and state permitting agencies and permits expected for BEAD-funded broadband projects in Arizona.

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[Permitting Resource Hub](#)

Overview of ACA's Permitting Resource Hub, offering permitting guidance, tools, and leading practices to support BEAD-funded broadband deployment.

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[Permitting Agency Snapshot: ADOT](#)

Summary of Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) permit types and application process for broadband deployment activities within ADOT jurisdiction.