



## California Public Utilities Commission

### 07/10/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

#### BEAD 2.0 Prequalification Application

In accordance with NTIA's [BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#), the CPUC has revised the Prequalification Application for BEAD 2.0, and is reopening the BEAD Application Portal to accept revisions to previously submitted applications in any other status other than Qualified. New applications will also be accepted at this time.

The revised BEAD 2.0 Prequalification Guide and BEAD 2.0 templates can be found on the CPUC's [BEAD Subgrantee Selection](#) webpage. They will also be posted in the BEAD Application Portal.

The CPUC will be accepting BEAD Prequalification Applications beginning on **Friday, July 11, 2025**, and ending on **Thursday, July 17 at 6:00 p.m. PST**.

**Important:** Applicants whose applications are currently in Qualified status **do not** need to submit or revise their applications. These applications remain approved.

Applicants must register for a BEAD Application Portal account and be approved by the CPUC before beginning the Prequalification Application.

Register for Portal access [here](#).

Existing Portal users login [here](#).

If the applicant encounters any technical issues with registration, login, or account administration, please contact the Ready.net support team by email at [cahelpdesk@ready.net](mailto:cahelpdesk@ready.net).

**Important:** At this time, the CPUC does not anticipate time for post-submittal application revisions and urges applicants to ensure their applications are complete, accurate, and compliant at the time of submission. Emailed responses will not be accepted.

#### BEAD 2.0 Events and Resources

##### Webinars

Register to attend [here](#)

- Friday, July 11, 10-11:00 a.m. PST

**BEAD Program Changes – Complying with NTIA's BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice:** Overview of high-level program changes for the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program in California. These changes are necessary due to the NTIA's recent guidance on restructuring the BEAD Program. The webinar will review the NTIA's new rules and guidelines, how they apply to the CPUC BEAD Prequalification and Project Applications, and a general timeline for the updated CPUC BEAD program.

- Thursday, July 17, 1-2:30 p.m. PST

**Overview of the Restructured BEAD Project Application:** This will introduce the changes to the BEAD 2.0 Project Application that have been implemented as a result of the NTIA's BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice. It will include a summary of the updated elements of the Project Application, how to submit a Project Application, timelines for submission, and how the selection process will proceed under the new program rules.

## Resources

BEAD Prequalification materials and program timelines can be found on the [BEAD Subgrantee Selection](#) webpage. All relevant Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection) information will be posted here, so bookmark and check back often for program updates.

## Upcoming

Additional program information will be forthcoming the week of July 14, 2025. This will include an updated FAQ document, Application Process Checklist, Project Application Guide, Project Application templates, and eligible locations lists. These will be posted on the [BEAD Subgrantee Selection](#) webpage.

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## General BEAD Program Information

We will continue to update our [BEAD Program](#), [BEAD Challenge Process](#), [BEAD Events](#), and [BEAD Resources](#) pages in the coming weeks, so check back often for news.

For general questions about the BEAD Program (except Subgrantee Selection), please continue to use the [BEAD@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:BEAD@cpuc.ca.gov) email address.

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### 07/16/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

#### BEAD 2.0 Events and Resources

- Friday, July 18, 10-11:30 a.m. PST

**Overview of the Restructured BEAD 2.0 Project Application:** This will introduce the changes to California's BEAD 2.0 Program and Project Application that have been implemented as a result of the NTIA's BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice. It will include a summary of the updated elements of the Project Application, how to submit a Project Application, timelines for submission, and how the selection process will proceed under the new program rules.

Register to attend [here](#)

#### Resources

BEAD Prequalification materials and program timelines can be found on the [BEAD Subgrantee Selection](#) webpage. All relevant Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection) information will be posted here, so bookmark and check back often for program updates.

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#### BEAD Subgrantee Selection Email

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#### BEAD Application Portal Technical Assistance

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### 07/17/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

#### CPUC BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process Frequently Asked Questions

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The CPUC is committed to ensuring a fair, open, and competitive Subgrantee Selection Process for the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) program. To promote transparency and provide equal access to information, the CPUC has developed this BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) version 1 to address inquiries from potential applicants and stakeholders.

This FAQ consolidates questions received through BEAD outreach channels and provides the CPUC's official responses to ensure all interested parties have access to the same information. It is intended to complement and clarify the BEAD Grant Application materials, California's approved [Initial Proposal Volume II \(IPv2\)](#), National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) [Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#), [NTIA BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#), [Decision Approving Volume Two of the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program Rules](#), [Proposed Decision Modifying Decisions 24-05-029 and 24-09-050](#). This document does not alter or override the provisions of these materials. In the event of any discrepancies between this FAQ and responses given through BEAD outreach channels, the answers in this document should be considered the official reference.

On June 6, 2025, the NTIA issued the [NTIA BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#) requiring states to revise their BEAD subgrantee selection process. In [BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process FAQ version 1](#), questions were updated or removed to reflect program changes resulting from the [NTIA BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#). This version, along with all subsequent versions of the CPUC BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process FAQ, will supersede all previous versions.

The CPUC will continue updating this FAQ regularly throughout the Benefit of the Bargain Round as time permits.

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### 07/18/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

#### BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection)

To comply with NTIA's BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice, the CPUC has updated the BEAD Project Application to remove, edit, or add questions as required.

Existing applications will be carried forward in the BEAD Application Portal and existing inputs pre-populated in the new format, however the BEAD 2.0 Project Applications will remain open for updating all previous responses and newly added questions.

All applicants will need to provide newly required information and submit an updated Project Application in the Portal.

The CPUC will be accepting BEAD 2.0 Project Applications beginning on **Saturday, July 19, 2025**, and ending on **Saturday, August 2, at 6:00 p.m. PST**.

Additional instructions and changes are captured in the BEAD 2.0 - CPUC Project Application Guide.

**Important:** Due to the timeline established in the BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice, it is unlikely there will be sufficient time to correct deficiencies, supplement missing information, or modify pricing after application submission. The CPUC urges applicants to make sure applications are complete, accurate, and compliant at the time of submission. All materials must be submitted through the [BEAD Application Portal](#). Emailed responses will not be accepted.

The revised BEAD 2.0 Project Application Guide, templates, instructions, and data files can be found on the CPUC's [BEAD Subgrantee Selection](#) webpage. They will also be posted in the BEAD Application Portal.

**Important:** To participate in the Benefit of the Bargain Round Project Application, entities were required to submit a Prequalification Application during the Prequalification window from July 11 - July 17, 2025.

#### Project Application – High-volume PAU Application Limitation and Selection

Applications have a limit of 850 PAUs per Project Application. If applicants wish to apply for more than 850 PAUs, they will need to submit more than one application.

An applicant cannot submit more than one competing application for a given PAU or location; for example, if an applicant is submitting multiple Priority applications, the proposals must be for completely different PAUs and locations.

When uploading 350 or more PAUs to a Project Application, users may experience a delay of up to five (5) minutes. This is also dependent on users' internet connection and may take longer for some connections.

Login to the BEAD Application Portal [here](#).

BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Office Hours

**Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 22-31, 2025**

**1:00-2:00 p.m. Pacific**

Office Hours are an open forum for stakeholders to engage with the CPUC to ask specific questions, seek clarification, and guidance about the BEAD 2.0 Project Application process.

Register to attend [here](#)

### Resources

All BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection) information will be posted on the [BEAD Subgrantee Selection](#) webpage, so bookmark and check back often for program updates.

### BEAD Subgrantee Selection Email

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### 07/21/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

#### BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection) is Open

The BEAD 2.0 Project Application opened on **Saturday, July 19, 2025**. The application window will close on **Saturday, August 2, at 6:00 p.m. Pacific**.

The revised BEAD 2.0 Project Application Guide, templates, instructions, and data files can be found on the CPUC's [BEAD Subgrantee Selection](#) webpage. They will also be available in the BEAD Application Portal.

To participate in the Benefit of the Bargain Round Project Application, entities were required to submit a Prequalification Application during the Prequalification window from July 11 - July 17, 2025.

**Important:** Due to the timeline established in the BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice, it is unlikely there will be sufficient time to correct deficiencies, supplement missing information, or modify pricing after application submission. The CPUC urges applicants to make sure applications are **complete, accurate, and compliant at the time of submission**. All materials must be submitted through the BEAD Application Portal. Emailed responses will not be accepted.

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#### Resources

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### 07/22/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

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This FAQ consolidates questions received through BEAD outreach channels and provides the CPUC's official responses to ensure all interested parties have access to the same information. It is intended to complement and clarify the BEAD Grant Application materials, California's approved [Initial Proposal Volume II \(IPv2\)](#), National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) [Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#), [NTIA BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#), [Decision Approving Volume Two of the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program Rules](#), [Proposed Decision Modifying Decisions 24-05-029 and 24-09-050](#). This document does not alter or override the provisions of these materials. In the event of any discrepancies between this FAQ and responses given through BEAD outreach channels, the answers in this document should be considered the official reference.

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### 07/25/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

#### CPUC BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process Frequently Asked Questions

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This FAQ consolidates questions received through BEAD outreach channels and provides the CPUC's official responses to ensure all interested parties have access to the same information. It is intended to complement and clarify the BEAD Grant Application materials, California's approved [Initial Proposal Volume II \(IPv2\)](#), National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) [Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#), [NTIA BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#), [Decision Approving Volume Two of the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program Rules](#), [Proposed Decision Modifying Decisions 24-05-029 and 24-09-050](#). This document does not alter or override the provisions of these materials. In the event of any discrepancies between this FAQ and responses given through BEAD outreach channels, the answers in this document should be considered the official reference.

On June 6, 2025, the NTIA issued the [NTIA BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#) requiring states to revise their BEAD subgrantee selection process. In BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process FAQ, questions were updated or removed to reflect program changes resulting from the [NTIA BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#). This version, along with all subsequent versions of the CPUC BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process FAQ, will supersede all previous versions.

The CPUC will continue updating this FAQ regularly throughout the Benefit of the Bargain Round as time permits.

#### BEAD Subgrantee Selection Email

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## California Public Utilities Commission

### 07/29/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

#### CPUC BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process Frequently Asked Questions

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is pleased to announce the release of the [CPUC BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\) Version 4](#).

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This FAQ consolidates questions received through BEAD outreach channels and provides the CPUC's official responses to ensure all interested parties have access to the same information. It is intended to complement and clarify the BEAD Grant Application materials, California's approved [Initial Proposal Volume II \(IPv2\)](#), National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) [Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#), [NTIA BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#), [Decision Approving Volume Two of the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program Rules](#), [Proposed Decision Modifying Decisions 24-05-029 and 24-09-050](#). This document does not alter or override the provisions of these materials. In the event of any discrepancies between this FAQ and responses given through BEAD outreach channels, the answers in this document should be considered the official reference.

On June 6, 2025, the NTIA issued the [NTIA BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#) requiring states to revise their BEAD subgrantee selection process. In BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process FAQ, questions were updated or removed to reflect program changes resulting from the [NTIA BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#). This version, along with all subsequent versions of the CPUC BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process FAQ, will supersede all previous versions.

The CPUC will continue updating this FAQ regularly throughout the Benefit of the Bargain Round as time permits.

#### BEAD Subgrantee Selection Email

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07/31/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

## BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection) Closing Soon

**REMINDER:** The BEAD 2.0 Project Application window will close this **Saturday, August 2, at 6:00 p.m. Pacific.** \*

The revised BEAD 2.0 Project Application Guide, templates, instructions, and data files can be found on the CPUC's [BEAD Subgrantee Selection](#) webpage as well as in the BEAD Application Portal.

**Important:** Due to the timeline established in the BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice, it is unlikely there will be sufficient time to correct deficiencies, supplement missing information, or modify pricing after application submission. The CPUC urges applicants to make sure applications are **complete, accurate, and compliant at the time of submission**. All materials must be submitted through the BEAD Application Portal. Emailed responses will not be accepted.

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### BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

[CPUC BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\) Version 5](#) has been released. To promote transparency and provide equal access to information, the CPUC has developed this BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process FAQs to address inquiries from potential applicants and stakeholders.

### Resources

All BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection) information will be posted on the [BEAD Subgrantee Selection](#) webpage. Recordings and slide decks from presentations can be found on the [Events](#) page.

### BEAD Subgrantee Selection Email

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## California Public Utilities Commission

### 08/02/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

#### BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection) Closing Today

The BEAD 2.0 Project Application window will close today, **Saturday, August 2, at 6:00 p.m. Pacific.\***

**Important:** If applicants have questions or require technical support regarding application submission, please send inquiries to [BEADgrant@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:BEADgrant@cpuc.ca.gov) and include [cahelpdesk@ready.net](mailto:cahelpdesk@ready.net) when a question is about the BEAD Application Portal.

In order to be as responsive as possible, please include:

- Organization name
- Application number(s)
- User email
- A thorough description of the issue
- Screenshots with time/date that capture the issue
- Sections/subsection (or indicate if not section-specific)
- Time period issue occurred

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#### Resources

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## California Public Utilities Commission

### 08/04/2025 BEAD 2.0 Program Updates

#### BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection) Next Steps

The BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection) has concluded, and the CPUC thanks all the Internet Service Providers who participated in California's BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Round and submitted Project Applications by the August 2, 2025, deadline. This is an important step toward ensuring all Californians have access to affordable, reliable, and scalable high-speed internet.

In the coming weeks, applications will undergo review and scoring consistent with the process outlined in the CPUC's [Initial Proposal Volume 2](#) and NTIA's [BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#).

All program updates and information for BEAD 2.0 Benefit of the Bargain Round (Subgrantee Selection) will be available on the [BEAD Subgrantee Selection](#) webpage.

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### 08/22/2025 BEAD 2.0 Updates

#### BEAD 2.0 Timeline Updates

##### BEAD 2.0 Timeline

Event	Date
<b>Prequalification</b>	
Application reopens	July 11, 2025
Application closes	July 17, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Pacific
<b>Benefit of the Bargain Round</b>	
Application reopens	July 19, 2025
Application closes	August 2, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Pacific
<b>Comments on draft Resolution and Final Proposal</b>	Shortened Comment Period*
<b>Final Proposal Submission</b>	Thursday, October 2, 2025

On July 18, 2025, the CPUC filed a waiver of the requirement to file Final Proposals within 90 days of issuance of the Revised Policy Restructuring Notice. If granted, the CPUC would have until October 2, 2025, to submit its Final Proposal. On August 8, 2025, NTIA notified the CPUC that the [waiver](#) request was approved. The new due date to submit the Final Proposal to NTIA is October 2, 2025.



On August 8, 2025, NTIA notified the CPUC that the waiver request was approved. The new due date to submit the Final Proposal to NTIA is October 2, 2025.

## CPUC BEAD 2.0 Subgrantee Selection Process Frequently Asked Questions

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### 08/28/2025 BEAD 2.0 Updates

#### BEAD 2.0 Timeline Updates

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