

# EL DORADO COUNTY BROADBAND UPDATE

**AUGUST 2023** 

#### **AGENDA**

- Broadband Update
- Previous Priority Areas Update
- CPUC's Federal Funding Account (FFA)
- Updated Priority Areas, Aligned with FFA Rules
- Securing ISP Partners, Invitation to Negotiate Process
- Next Steps



### Previously Identified Priority Areas

Changes 2020 to Current



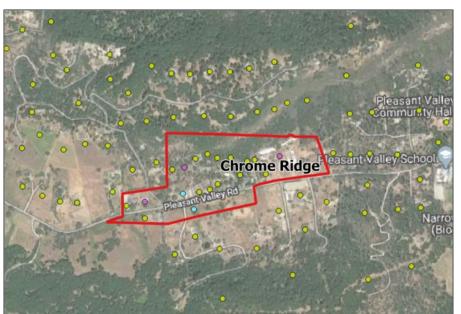
#### Previously Identified Priority Areas

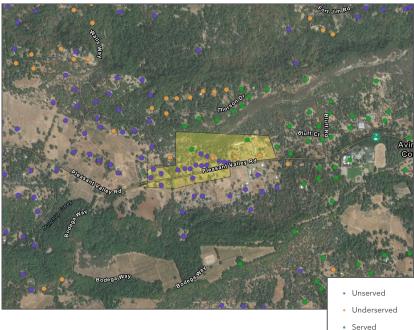
2020 Priority Areas	2023 Status		
Chrome Ridge	Still Unserved		
Coloma	Cal.net and T-Mobile Fixed Wireless over 100 Mbps		
Cool	Xfinity and AT&T Fiber, above 100 Mbps		
Fairplay	Cal.net fixed wireless, above 100 Mbps, still eligible for funding		
Garden Valley	Cal.net and T-Mobile Fixed Wireless over 100 Mbps		
Georgetown	Xfinity and Vast Networks, above 100 Mbps		
Grizzly Flats	AT&T Fiber, over 100 Mbps		
Somerset	Still Unserved		
Tahoma	Optimum Cable, over 100 Mbps; Meeks Bay and surrounding area still unserved		
Pleasant Valley	Cal.net fixed wireless, above 100 Mbps, still eligible for funding		



#### Previously Identified Priority Area - Chrome Ridge

2020 Current





The previously identified area and west of it remain largely underserved.

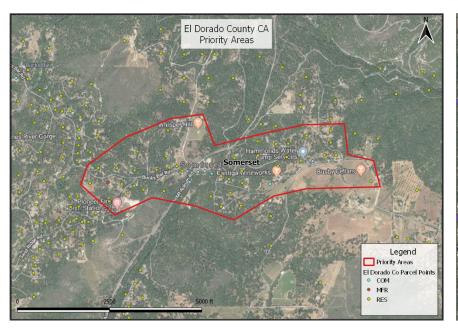
T-Mobile is claiming Licensed Fixed Wireless service to the East at 100 Mbps or better

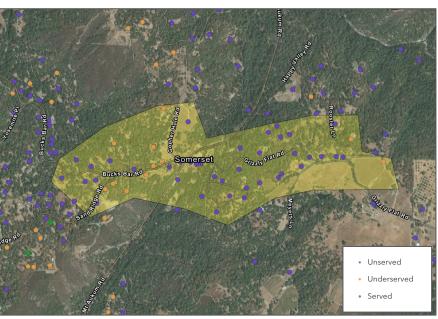
There are no Cable, Fiber or Copper providers shown in records



#### Previously Identified Priority Areas - Somerset

2020 Current





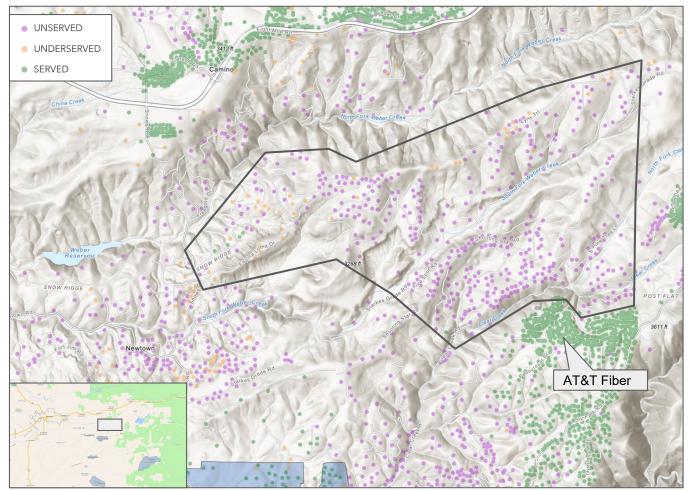
Somerset and surrounding remain almost entirely Unserved and Underserved.

There are no Fiber, Cable or Copper carriers in the area

Cal.net offers the fastest wireless speeds



# NEW: Rancho Del Sol Subdivision & Adjacent (sample feasibility level design)



Build Cost Estimate						
Service Level	Count	Build Cost	Pre-Grant Return			
Underserved	38	\$172,127	-\$134,641			
Unserved	417	\$1,522,837	-\$851,239			
Totals	466	\$1,732,951	-\$985,880			

Rancho Del Sol is located just South of Camino

Approximately 150 homes within the subdivision

There are no Copper, Cable or Fiber options available

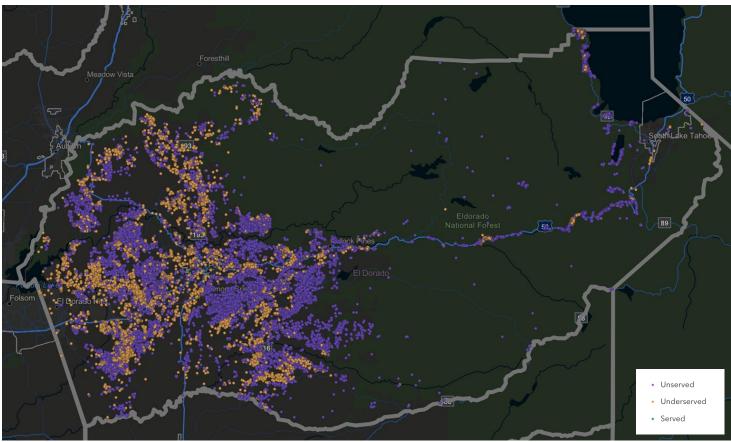
AT&T previously provided DSL service and offers fiber nearby

Note the nearly \$1m loss that would be incurred over 20 years to service this area without funding

## County-Wide Outlook

Latest FCC Fabric Release

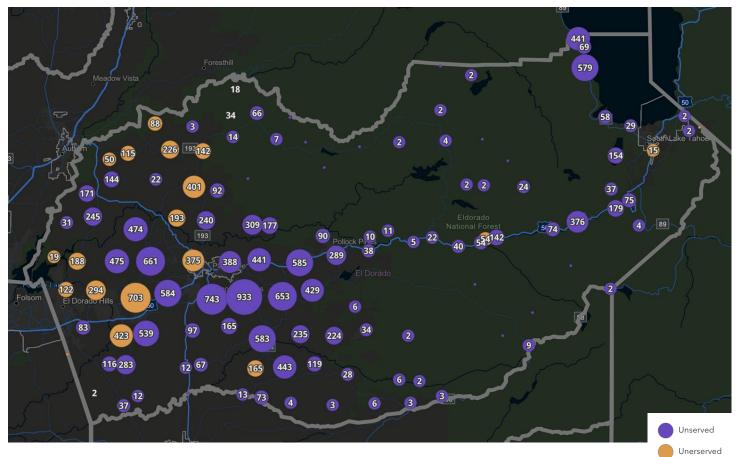
#### **Unserved & Underserved Addresses**



Eligible Broadband Locations				
Service Level	Count	Percentag		
Underserved	5,653	31%		
Unserved	12,566	69%		



#### Unserved & Underserved - Cluster Analysis



Eligible Broadband Locations				
Service Level	Count	Percentage		
Underserved	5,653	31%		
Unserved	12,566	69%		

Ample contiguous pockets of grant eligible addresses remain



#### CPUC'S FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNT

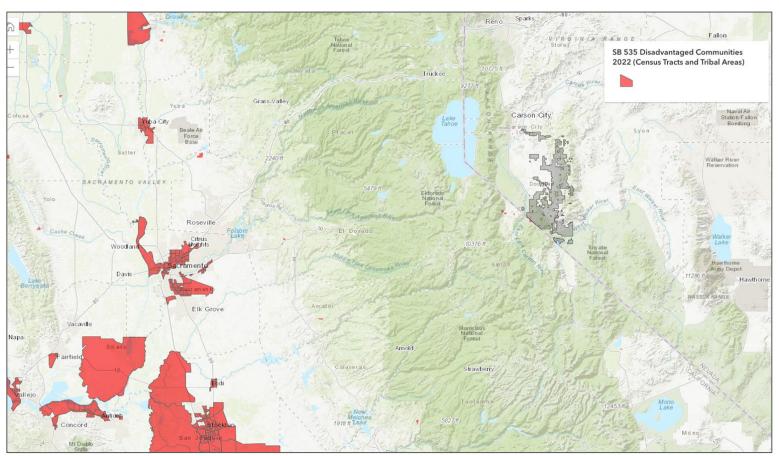
- Established by 2021's Senate Bill 156
- \* \$2 billion grant program for last-mile fiber broadband infrastructure projects.
- ❖ Grant deadline is September 29, 2023
- Points are based upon:
  - Match, 10 points total,1 point for every 10%
  - Fiber, 10 points total, 1 point for every 10%
  - Government-owned, 20 points total. 1 point for every 5% ownership
  - Lifeline, low-income service offering, 10 points, yes or no
  - Pricing Commitment, Same prices for 10 years, 10 points, yes or no
  - Disadvantage Community or Median Household Income is 80% of State-level Income, 20 points
  - Capacity and Performance, 10 points
  - Technology, Network and budget, 10 points
  - Connects to State-wide Middle Mile network, 10 points



### Allocation per unserved resident = (\$1B - [(\$5M/county)x(27 counties)])/(159,601 unserved residents) = \$5600 CPP

Rural Counties (27)				
Population Unserved		County	<b>Allocation</b> = \$5 million + \$5,419.76554 per unserved resident <sup>26</sup>	
1	367	Alpine	\$6,989,053.95	
2	9,632	Amador	\$57,203,181.68	
3	4,761	Calaveras	\$30,803,503.74	
4	4,419	Colusa	\$28,949,943.92	
5	976	Del Norte	\$10,289,691.17	
6	19,716	El Dorado	\$111,856,097.39	
7	3,704	Glenn	\$25,074,811.56	
8	10,063	Humboldt	\$59,539,100.63	
9	1,517	Inyo	\$13,221,784.32	
10	6,031	Kings	\$37,686,605.97	
11	4,324	Lake	\$28,435,066.19	
12	3,673	Lassen	\$24,906,798.83	
13	11,362	Madera	\$66,579,376.07	
14	6,613	Mariposa	\$40,840,909.52	
15	9,674	Mendocino	\$57,430,811.83	
16	3,493	Modoc	\$23,931,241.03	
17	1,033	Mono	\$10,598,617.80	

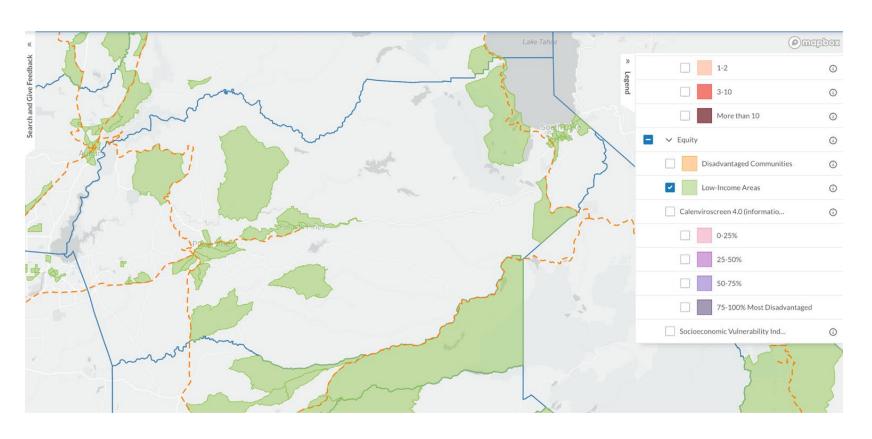
#### **Disadvantaged Communities**



The award of up to 20 points, per Appendix A, Section 3g ("Existing Broadband Service Need") will be awarded to projects in which 50 percent or more locations have one or more of the following characteristics: low-income areas where aggregated household incomes are less than 80 percent of the state or that county's median income, "Disadvantaged Communities" as defined by the California Environmental Protection Agency and/or tribal lands.

**OEHHA Link** 

#### Low Income Areas



**OEHHA Link** 

#### El Dorado County, Invitation to Negotiate Process

- Formal engagement with ISPs
- Objectives:
  - 1. Select ISP partner(s) for FFA grant opportunity (this year) and BEAD program (next year)
  - 2. To select partner(s) to build fiber infrastructure to homes and businesses that may not be eligible for funding, but would benefit from additional competition and better broadband services.
  - 3. To connect County facilities with fiber
  - 4. To better understand what plans, if any, ISPs have to build out Gigabit broadband within the County and/or to identify their plans to apply for grant funding.
- ❖ FFA grant deadline: September 29
- County ownership





QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU