

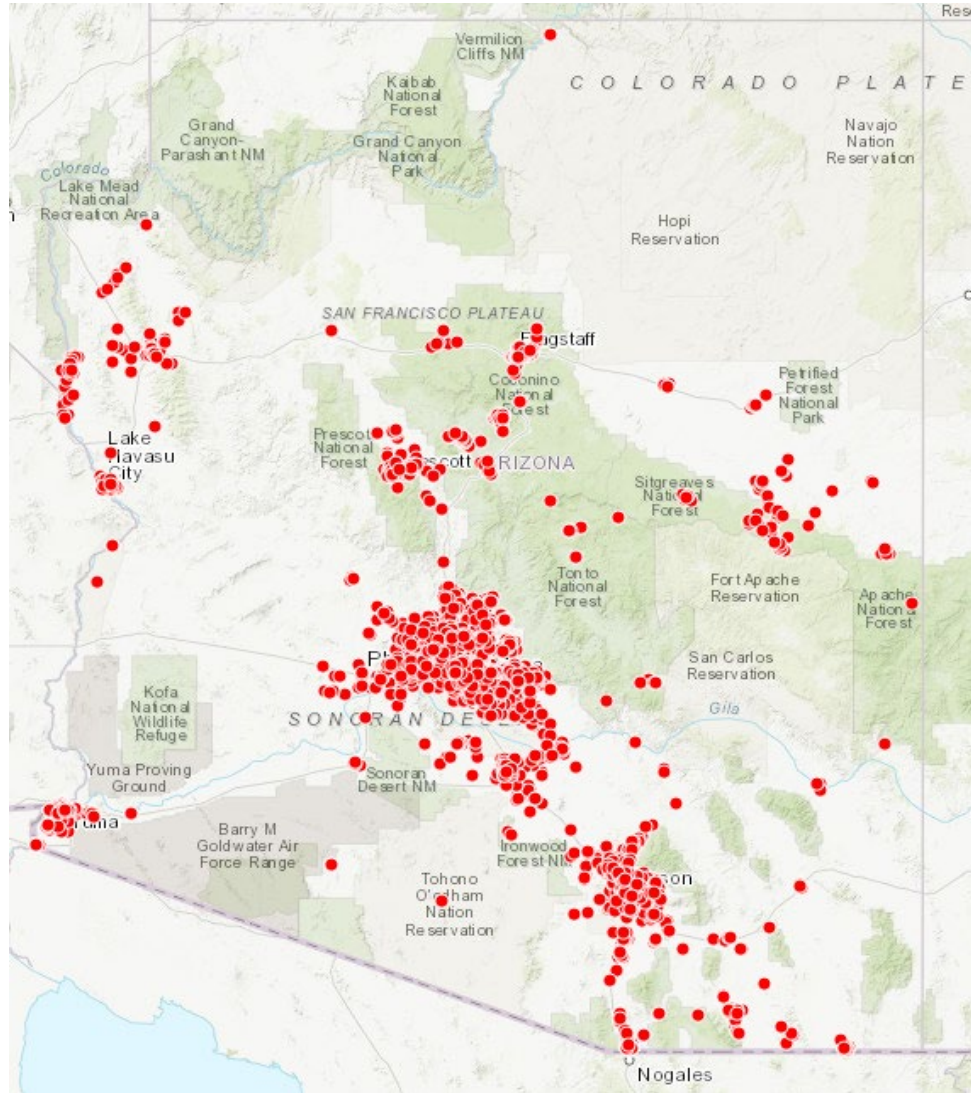
State of Arizona Broadband

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The Digital Divide:



Arizona Land Ownership Obstacle & Opportunity

- 42.1% Federal
- 12.7% State Land
- 27.1% Tribal Lands
- 18.1% Private Land





Broadband Rights of Way (ROW) for 3rd Party Use on State Trust Land



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Federal Grants

- \$550M USDA ReConnect Grant
- \$20B Federal Rural Digital Opportunity Fund

\$3M Arizona Rural Broadband Development Grant

- **Eligible Applicants:**

- Arizona cities & towns with a population of less than 150,000 not part of a larger contiguous metro area
- Arizona counties with a population of less than 750,000
- Federally based Indian Tribes located in Arizona
- Established non-profit enterprises focused on economic development in Arizona
- For profit companies with a minimum of 5 years operating history in the telecommunications industry

- **Eligible Projects:**

- Facilities based projects including cable modem, fiber, wireless technologies and satellite technologies
- Delivering minimum speeds of 25/3 Mbps
- Provide community redundancy
- Provide the construction of middle or last mile networks to under served or un-served communities

- Sept 20th Release of Request for Grant Application
- Sept 30th Applicant Questions Due
- October 9th Answers to Questions Provided
- October 28th Submittal Due Date
- December 19th Award Notification

*All dates subject to change



What Can You Do Today?





Thank You



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