Timeline of BEAD execution in Guam since Fall 2023

Initial Planning & Proposal Submission

Summer 2023

- **June 2023** – National Broadband Map (BDC) Released
- **June 27, 2023** – NTIA allocates $155M to Guam for BEAD program
- **July 2023** – BEAD Initial Proposal Drafting Begins
  - Broadband assessments conducted
  - Unserved/underserved areas identified
- **August 2023** – Proposal Drafting Continues
- **August 22, 2023** – Guam Secures $383K for Connectivity Outreach

Public Posting & Stakeholder Engagement

Fall 2023

- Community outreach and public engagement began.
- Meetings with key stakeholders (ISPs, govt agencies, municipalities, nonprofits) on broadband gaps.
- Established criteria for Community Anchor Institutions (CAIs).
- **November 2023** –BEAD Initial Proposal Vol. 1 Public Comment Period

Initial Proposal Submission & NTIA Review

December 2023

- Guam submitted the BEAD Initial Proposal to NTIA for approval.
- NTIA began reviewing the proposal.
- Initial classifications of broadband serviceable locations (BSLs) established.

Milestones & Stakeholder Engagement

January 2024

- **January – March 2024** – Stakeholder Engagement & Planning
- **January 19 – 25 –** Attended Pacific Telecommunications Conference (PTC) in Honolulu to discuss BEAD implementation.
- **January 30 –** Inalåhan Town Hall
- **January 31** – Talo'fo'fo' Town Hall

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Conferences & Community Outreach

February 2024

- **February 8** –Humåtak Town Hall
- **February 13 – 16 –** Participated in SBLN/Net Inclusion Conferences in Philadelphia, focusing on digital inclusion.
- **February 26** – Yona Town Hall
- **February 29** – Asan Maina Town Hall

Public Engagement, Digital Equity Planning & BEAD Approvals

Spring 2024

- **March 1** – Public Engagement, Digital Equity Planning & BEAD Approvals & Virtual Town Hall
- **March 12 – April 1** – Piti, Tamuning, Malesso', and Sånta Rita-Sumai Town Hall
- **April 17** – Final BEAD Initial Proposal Volume 1 Approved
- **April 22** – Distributed Final BEAD Initial Proposal Volume 1 to Carriers
- **April 23** – Public Release of Final BEAD Initial Proposal Volume 1
- **May 15** – BEAD Mapping Meetings with GTA and Docomo to finalize service areas
- **May 26** – BEAD Map Review with PDS

Finalizing BEAD Proposals & Advancing Digital Equity

Summer 2024

- **June 24** – Press Release: Approval of the Guam Digital Equity Plan
- **August 19** – Final BEAD Initial Proposal Volume 2 Approved
- **August 20 – 30** –Meetings with Mayor's Offices (Talo'fo'fo', Barrigada, Hagåtña) to discuss digital equity needs
- **August 23** – BEAD Initial Proposal Volume II Final Released
- **August 29** – Initial Proposal Funding Request Approved

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BEAD Challenge Process

Fall 2024

- **November 5 –** Open Office Hours with the Guam Broadband Office (GBO) for stakeholders
- **November 6 – 22, 2024 –** Initial Challenge Submission Window
  - Eligible challengers (local governments, ISPs, nonprofits) submit disputes about broadband coverage
  - Social Media Ads (Facebook & Instagram) promoting the challenge process
- **November 14 –** Radio Appearance discussing broadband challenges
- **November 23 – 29 –** Broadband office processes and validates initial challenge submissions

Rebuttals, Grant Awards & Infrastructure Planning

December 2024

- **November 30 – December 13 –** Rebuttal Submission Window
  - ISPs and other stakeholders submit evidence to dispute challenges
- **December 14, 2024 – January 11, 2025 –** Final Determination Period
  - Broadband office reviews and adjudicates challenges.
  - Updated broadband coverage maps prepared.
- **December 18 –** Guam awarded $2.1M by the Digital Equity Capacity Grant
  - GMHA's Network Connectivity Assessment to enhance telehealth infrastructure and digital inclusion.
  - Online privacy and cybersecurity outreach campaign
  - Digital devices and connectivity program with mayors offices
- **December 19, 2024 – January 2, 2025 – New Rebuttal Submission Window**
  - Second round of rebuttals for unresolved disputes.

BEAD Challenge Process, Public Engagement, & Workforce Development MOU

Early 2025

- **January 3 – January 16, 2025 –** New Final Determination Period
  - Final adjudication of all challenges.
- **January 19 –** Guam awarded $2.5M by the Digital Equity Competitive Grant to expand digital inclusion and accessibility.
  - Website Accessibility Upgrades – Improved access, multilingual support, and streamlined services for DRT & DMV.
- **January 21 –** Press Release: Conclusion of BEAD Challenge Process.
- **January 22 –** Social Media Announcement of Challenge Process Conclusion.
- **January 23 –** Meeting with New Mayors on BEAD & Digital Equity Initiatives.
- **February 14 –** Workforce Development MOU signed

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Final Proposal & NTIA Review

Spring 2025

- **March 18 – May 16** – Public Notice for Final Classifications (maps/project areas)
- **March 24 –** Live webinar on prequalification, eligibility, and Q&A
- **March 28 –** Follow-up recorded Q&A video
- **April 25** – Guam's BEAD Challenge Process was officially concluded with NTIA approval. That milestone closed the formal challenge record and moved us into the next phase of program implementation.

Summer 2025

- **June 6** – NTIA releases BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice
- **June 14** – OIPD Posts ULFW Participation Notice
- **June 17-28** – Final RFP Review and Internal Finalization
- **June 19** – NTIA provides updated Eligible Locations "C Default" list
- **June 19 - August 14–** Drafting Final Proposal for Public Comment
- **June 21** – ULFW Intent to Submit Due
- **June 28** – ULFW Evidence Due to OIPD
- **June 28 - July 5** – Procurement Review of RFP
- **July 3** – Target Completion of ULFW Evidence Review
- **July 6 - August 6** – RFP Published; Subgrantee Selection Window Begins
- **July 7** – Deadline to Submit Initial Proposal Correction Letter to NTIA (Appendix D Format)
- **August 6** – Final Day to Complete Subgrantee Selection (SGS)
- **August 6 - August 12** – Review Subgrantee Submissions and Draft Preliminary Awards
- **August 13** – Selection Advisory Committee (SAC) Meeting
- **August 14 - August 28** – Public Comment Period on Final Proposal
- **August 20** – Last Day to Complete SAC Meeting
- **August 21** – Last Day to Post for Required 14-Day Public Comment

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BEAD Implementation

Fall 2025

- **August 29 - September 3** – Finalize Final Proposal (Post-Public Comment Revisions)
- **September 4** – Final BEAD Proposal Submitted to NTIA
- **November 19** – Final BEAD Proposal Approved

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- **July 2026** – BEAD Subgrant Agreements Executed
- **July 2026–Present** – Environmental Review & Permitting

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