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COMMISSION PUBLISHES ADDITIONAL RESOURCES REGARDING AREAS POTENTIALLY ELIGIBLE FOR CONNECT AMERICA FUNDING

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The Wireline Competition Bureau and Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis have released an update to the Connect America Phase II – Initial Eligible Areas Map, in order to assist parties interested in determining the eligibility of areas for Connect America funding. The update incorporates a feature to download geospatial files for a selected Census Tract, or County. The downloaded file is specifically for use with desktop mapping software to display eligible census blocks, which should help users investigate potential areas for rural broadband experiments and assist parties participating in the Phase II challenge process.

In order to utilize this new feature, users should visit the map at <http://www.fcc.gov/maps/fcc-connect-america-fund-phase-ii-initial-eligible-areas-map>. Once the map is zoomed in to an area of interest using the zoom controls on the map, the download options will appear by clicking on the map. The information on the right side of the map will indicate the selected census tract and county, as well as cost model details. File format options for download can be selected from the County or Census Tract menu; Shapefile, geoJSON, KML, and CSV options are available.

In addition, answers to frequently asked questions (FAQs) regarding the Rural Broadband Experiments have been posted on the rural broadband experiments homepage at <http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/rural-broadband-experiments>. For more general information about the Connect America Fund, please see <http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/connecting-america>.

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For further information regarding the geospatial files, please contact Eric Spry, Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis, at 202-418-2030. For further information regarding the FAQs, please contact Ian Forbes, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau at 202-418-7400; or at TTY (202) 418-0484

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