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BROADBAND DATA TASK FORCE ANNOUNCES TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WORKSHOP FOR FILERS OF BULK CHALLENGE DATA TO THE BROADBAND SERVICEABLE LOCATION FABRIC

WC Docket No. 19-195; WC Docket No. 11-10

The FCC's Broadband Data Task Force (Task Force) will hold an online Technical Assistance Workshop on Wednesday, September 28, 2022, starting at 4:00 p.m. EDT to assist state, local, and Tribal governments, service providers, and other entities who plan to file bulk challenges to data in the Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric (Fabric), which serves as the foundation for the Broadband Data Collection (BDC) fixed availability maps. The workshop will review how to open and work with the Fabric dataset and will also demonstrate possible approaches to identifying missing or mislabeled locations in the Fabric data set.

To participate in the workshop, interested parties should register to attend at: https://fcc-gov.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_QrvQiJVQR2adAp68uPaVMw. Questions about bulk challenges to the Fabric data may be submitted in advance of and during the workshop to BDCwebinar@fcc.gov.

The Fabric is a common dataset of all locations in the United States where fixed broadband Internet access service is or can be installed.[1] On June 23, 2022, the Task Force, Wireline Competition Bureau (WCB), and Office of Economics and Analytics (OEA) made the production version of the Fabric available to fixed broadband service providers and state, local and Tribal governmental entities.[2] Starting on September 12, 2022, those entities that have obtained access to the Fabric data may submit bulk challenges in the BDC system.[3] The Task Force, OEA, and WCB previously issued detailed data specifications for formatting bulk Fabric challenges.[4]

Additional technical assistance resources related to the bulk Fabric challenge process, including links to a comprehensive webinar, video tutorials, help articles, data specifications, and a BDC system user guide are also available at www.fcc.gov/BroadbandData/FabricHelp. Requests for technical support may also be submitted using the "Get Help" link available on that page.

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[1] 47 U.S.C. § 642(b)(1)(A)(i).

[2] *Broadband Data Task Force Announces the Availability of the Production Version of the Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric*, WC Docket Nos. 19-195, 11-10, Public Notice, DA 22-668, at 1 (BDTF, WCB, OEA June 23, 2022).

[3] *Broadband Data Task Force Announces the Start of the Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric Bulk Challenge Process*, WC Docket Nos. 19-195, 11-10, Public Notice, DA 22-913, at 2 (BDTF, WCB, OEA Sept. 2, 2022).

[4] *Broadband Data Task Force Publishes Data Specifications For Bulk Challenges of Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric Data and Provides Further Details on Fabric Locations Data*, WC Docket Nos. 19-195, 11-10, Public Notice, DA 22-705, at 1 (BDTF July 1, 2022); FCC, Broadband Data Collection—Data Specifications for Bulk Fabric Challenge Data (2022), https://us-fcc.box.com/v/bdc-bulk-fabric-challenge-spec.

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