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Carr Welcomes New, Four-Month Timeline for Broadband Maps

WASHINGTON, DC, March 18, 2021—Earlier this week, FCC Commissioner Brendan Carr called for the agency to complete its broadband maps this fall, not next year. He proposed that the FCC do this by releasing targeted maps that include the data needed for the Commission to move forward with RDOF Phase II and the 5G Fund. Yesterday, during a Senate Commerce Committee hearing, Senator Cantwell announced that Acting FCC Chairwoman Rosenworcel told her that maps are now just four months away.

Commissioner Carr released the following statement in response:

“This is welcome news. I am very pleased to learn that Senator Cantwell and Acting Chairwoman Rosenworcel had a phone call in which they reached an understanding that maps will get done in just four months. This is an important development because completing these maps is key to unlocking the funding needed to further close the digital divide. It’s great to learn about the new July 2021 timeline.”

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