

Certification of Compliance with Financial and Managerial Capacity and Financial Transparency Requirements

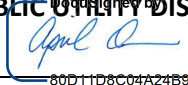
Public Utility District No. 1 of Pend Oreille County

Pursuant to the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment ("BEAD") Program requirements regarding Government-Owned Networks ("GONS"), Public Utility District No. 1 of Pend Oreille County (the "District") hereby certifies the following:

1. The District has established a broadband system, the Community Network System ("CNS" or "CN System") that is financially and operationally separate from the District's Electric, Water, and Production systems.
2. The District maintains separate accounting and financial records for the CN System.
3. The District maintains accounting controls and procedures intended to ensure transparency and reasonable allocation of any shared administrative or operational costs between the CN System and the District's other systems.
4. The District has established an interfund loan policy which establishes interest rate and repayment terms.
5. The District will maintain and publish on its website (www.popud.org) annual financial statements audited by an independent third-party as required under applicable BEAD requirements.
6. The District does not currently utilize bonds to finance BEAD-funded broadband infrastructure projects. Should bond financing later be utilized for BEAD-funded infrastructure, the District will comply with all applicable BEAD disclosure requirements.
7. The District will publish on its website the District's interfund loan policy that includes the terms and conditions for interfund loans to fund the District's BEAD-funded network.
8. The District will publish on its website all state- or municipally-sourced fees, taxes, or other financial contributions directed to support the BEAD-funded network.
9. The District does not receive ongoing in-kind contributions from municipal utilities, affiliates, or other governmental utility operations in support of BEAD-funded broadband activities. Should the District later receive any such in-kind contributions, the District will identify those on its website.
10. The District will comply with applicable Financial and Managerial Capacity Terms and Financial Transparency requirements throughout the BEAD period of performance and applicable federal interest period.
11. The District will prominently post this certification on its publicly available website in accordance with applicable BEAD requirements.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and authority.

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF PEND OREILLE COUNTY

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