

## **Stealth Broadband - Noncontiguous Reasoning Platte County North Underserved**

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The Platte County North Underserved project is designed to bring affordable, reliable, and fast speeds to several underserved customers in Platte County. Stealth Broadband staff have spent a great amount of time investigating the broadband needs of all subscribers throughout the project area. In determining the best path to serve the greatest number of customers, Stealth used the following criteria to develop the project area:

1. Stealth plotted all unserved (< 25/3 Mbps) locations.
2. Stealth plotted all underserved (< 100/20 Mbps) locations.
3. Stealth plotted all adequately served (> 100/20 Mbps) locations.
4. Vicinity of plotted locations to Stealth's existing fiber optic backbone.
5. Stealth visited with some rural residents of Platte County to verify speed data found online was accurate.

The locations that Stealth is proposing to serve under this application are not contiguous. All proposed routes to feed the locations in this application connect directly back to either existing Stealth fiber optic facilities or to routes proposed in other applications that Stealth has submitted. In an effort not to duplicate routes, Stealth omitted existing fiber routes and fiber routes that are proposed under unserved applications.