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To the Offices of the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program (NBBP),

Butler County is submitting a letter of support for Nextlink Internet to expand into unserved rural areas within our county under the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program (NBBP) Grant Application.

We certify to our knowledge that the proposed service areas are:

- 1.) not able to receive broadband service, or
- 2.) the only available service is cellular or satellite, and/or
- 3.) the only broadband service available from current providers is reliably less than 25/3 Mbps.

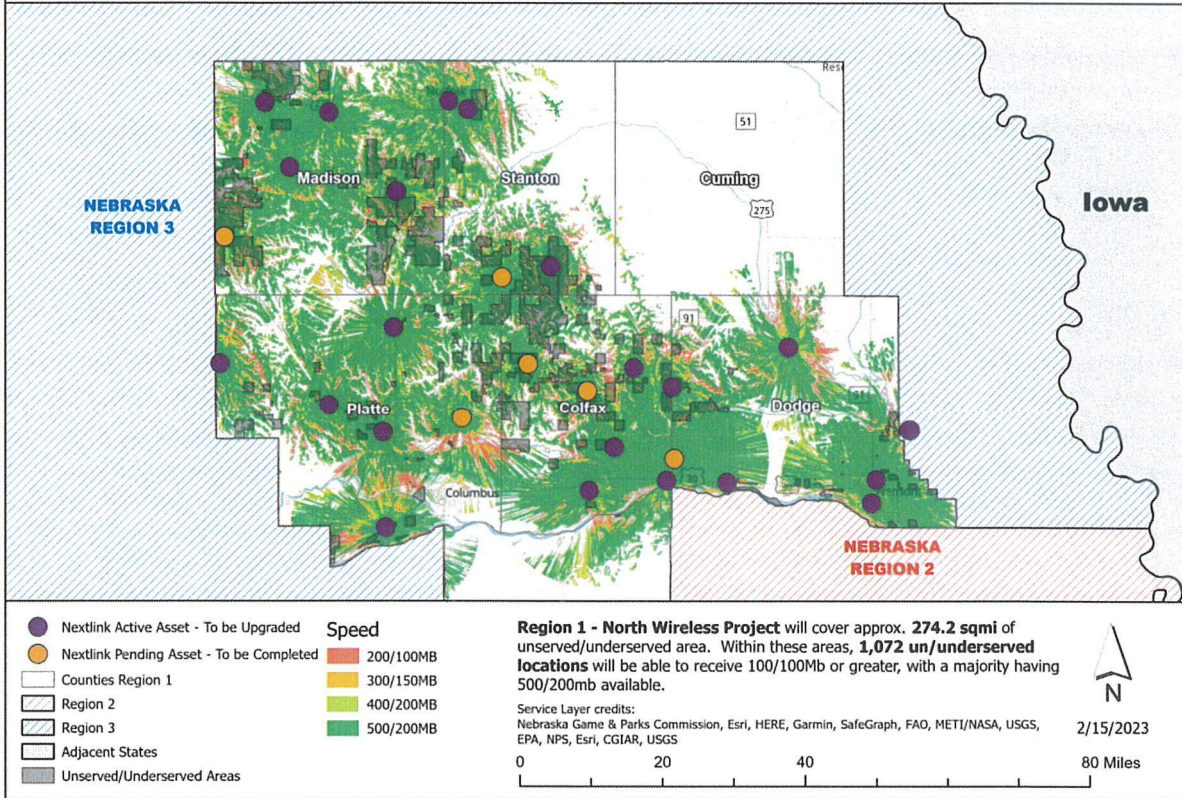
We would specifically like to support Nextlink Internet/AMG Technology's NBBP Region 1 Wireless North and South Projects that will bring much needed FTTH fiber to the home for residents just East of Dwight. This project will support the portion of the county covered by speeds up to 500/100 mb. The current blocks in the map are locations that are under the 100/20 broadband speed threshold and in need of upgraded internet. Additionally, even though the Northern Project is not covering any official blocks in Butler County, Nextlink coverage will extend into the northern part of Butler County.

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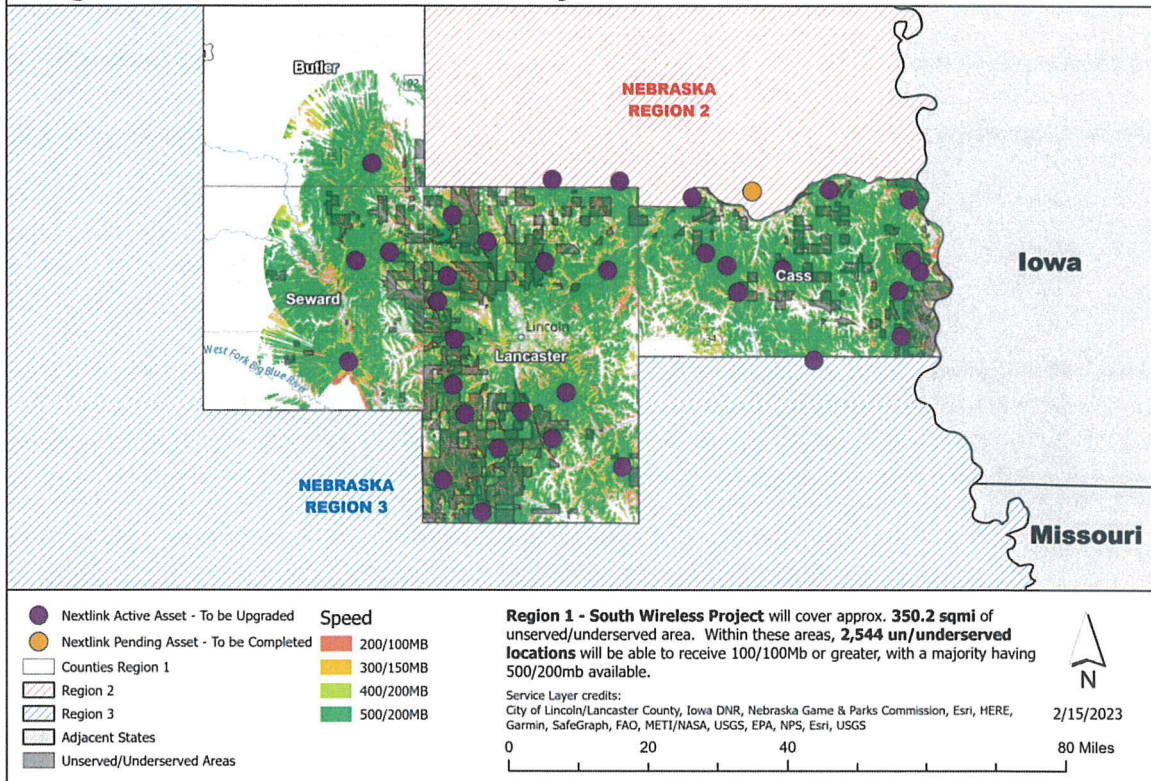
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Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program Region 1 - Wireless North Project



Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program Region 1 - Wireless South Project





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INTERNET & PHONE

PRODUCTS & SERVICES RATE CARD

FIBER SPEEDS AND PRICING:

RESIDENTIAL FIBER PACKAGES	SPEED	PRICE
FiberNEXT50 - 2 yr	50/50	\$49.99
FiberNEXT100 - 2 yr	100/100	\$79.99
FiberNEXT500 - 2 yr	500/500	\$89.99
FiberNEXT1000 - 2 yr	1000/1000	\$109.99
Installation *		\$250.00

BUSINESS FIBER PACKAGES	SPEED	PRICE
FiberLINK50 - 2 yr	50/50	\$59.00
FiberLINK100 - 2 yr	100/100	\$89.00
FiberLINK500 - 2 yr	500/500	\$99.00
FiberLINK1000 - 2 yr	1000/1000	\$119.00
Installation *		\$250.00

TARANA FIXED WIRELESS SPEEDS AND PRICING:

TARANA RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES	SPEED	PRICE
NEXT50	50/10	\$59.95 - \$69.95
NEXT100	100/20	\$69.95 - \$79.95
NEXT100/100	100/100	\$84.95 - \$94.95
NEXT200	200/20	\$84.95 - \$94.95
NEXT300	300/30	\$99.95 - \$109.95
NEXT400	400/40	\$114.95 - \$124.95
NEXT500	500/50	\$129.95 - \$139.95
Installation *		\$99 - \$250.00

TARANA BUSINESS PACKAGES	SPEED	PRICE
NEXT50	50/10	\$69 - \$79
NEXT100	100/20	\$79 - \$89
NEXT100/100	100/100	\$95 - \$105
NEXT200	200/20	\$95 - \$105
NEXT300	300/30	\$109 - \$119
NEXT400	400/40	\$125 - \$135
NEXT500	500/50	\$139 - \$149
Installation *		\$150 - \$250.00

*Note: Lower price and installation options are available with a two-year contract.

RENTAL FEES AND ANCILLARY CHARGES:

CHARGE TYPE	MTHLY AMOUNT	CHARGE TYPE	MTHLY AMOUNT
Router	\$8.99	Extended Range Dish	\$10.00
Mesh Unit	\$4.99	Static IP	\$10.00
Protection Plan	\$4.99	Standard VoIP	\$14.95
Paper Invoice Fee	\$2.99	Select VoIP	\$19.95
Tripod	\$5 - \$20	Fax Service	\$13.99

Effective 2/1/2022

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We have knowledge of Nextlink being active in multiple Nebraska counties, including but not limited to Antelope, Gage, Madison, Pierce, Platte, Seward, Thurston, and Wayne, and find the company to be a potentially excellent partner to serve rural households and businesses that are woefully underserved by the lack of broadband services. Our condition has caused harm to our economic development efforts. Therefore, we welcome Nextlink to bring broadband to their proposed areas if funded under the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program Grant Application.

Nextlink's participation in the Affordable Connectivity Program helps ensure access to affordable internet connections our community desperately needs for work, school, and health care.

Furthermore, Nextlink's digital inclusion plan directly enables work, education, and healthcare monitoring and addresses the critical needs for our community that resulted from or was made apparent by the COVID-19 public health emergency. We are also aware of their active partnership with the Microsoft Airband Initiative which supports customer access to technical expertise, preferential pricing on innovative technological solutions, and digital skills training.

Ultimately, their plan will impact access to and use of information and communication technologies for the county of Saline including individuals and communities like our Dawson that are the most disadvantaged.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony Whitmore', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Anthony Whitmore
Board Chairperson