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May 6, 2025

Krystal Stone  
Broadband Program Coordinator  
Oregon Broadband Office  
715 Summer Street NE, Suite 200  
Salem Oregon 97301

Re: Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program Letter of Support

Dear Ms. Stone:

Astound is a West Coast Internet Service Provider (ISP) already serving the Clackamas County community. The Oregon Broadband Equity Access Deployment (BEAD) grant program provides an opportunity for Astound to leverage public funds to expand its fiber optic communications infrastructure to unserved/underserved areas. This funding would allow Astound, in partnership with Clackamas County Broadband eXchange, the ability to expand high-speed, reliable internet access within the Oregon Trail school district boundary and surrounding areas to serve broadband services to those households who are current unserved or underserved.

For the opportunity to fund fiber optic cable expansion to unserved and undeserved constituents, Clackamas County supports Astound's fiber deployment application to Oregon Broadband Office for BEAD Program funding.

Sincerely,

Criag Roberts, Chair  
On Behalf of the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners



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Re: Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program Letter of Support

Dear Ms. Stone:

Clackamas Broadband eXchange is a dark fiber communications network serving the Clackamas County community. The Oregon Broadband Equity Access Deployment (BEAD) grant program provides an opportunity for Clackamas Broadband eXchange to leverage public funds to expand its fiber optic communications infrastructure to unserved/underserved areas. This funding would allow Clackamas Broadband eXchange, in partnership with Sandynet, the ability to bring gigabit Internet service to residential and business locations that are severely underserved with broadband.

The deployment of fiber optic communication infrastructure will provide futureproof connectivity to residents, businesses and community facilities in the Oregon Trail School District.

For the opportunity to fund fiber optic cable expansion to unserved and undeserved constituents, Clackamas County supports Clackamas Broadband eXchange's fiber deployment application to Oregon Broadband Office for BEAD Program funding.

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Dear Ms. Stone:

The Clackamas County Board of Commissioners support Ziplly Fiber's application for the Oregon Business Office's (OBO) Broadband Deployment Program grant. We value Ziplly's mission to connect communities and empower individuals through high-quality broadband services.

Ziplly Fiber is a telecommunications company serving our community. Today, service is delivered on legacy copper and in places fiber optic network infrastructure. Ziplly Fiber is an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC), in the State of Oregon. As an ETC they provide access to federal Lifeline and Oregon Telephone Assistance Program subsidies for low-income qualifying households.

The Oregon Broadband Equity Access Deployment (BEAD) grant program provides an opportunity for Ziplly Fiber to leverage public funds matched with private investment to upgrade its copper communications infrastructure to fiber optics.

The deployment of fiber optic communication infrastructure will provide futureproof connectivity to residents, businesses and community facilities in the Oregon Trail, North Clackamas, West Linn-Wilsonville, Gresham-Barlow and Centennial School Districts.

For these reasons, Clackamas County supports Ziplly Fiber's fiber deployment application to OBO for BEAD Program funding.

Sincerely,

Criag Roberts, Chair  
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