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STATE BROADBAND DATA AND DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM
AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION
-REVISED-

-SECOND EDITION-

August 13, 2010

**Minnesota State Broadband Data and Development Grant Program
Revision and Clarification**

Summary Funding Request

Total Original Funding Request: \$6,936,085

~~Total Revised Funding Request: \$3,189,520~~

Total Revision Request (Second Edition): \$2,761,171

Sum Total Reduction: -\$4,174,914

The state of Minnesota proposes a **Second Edition** revised funding breakdown for four SBDD projects.

State Broadband Capacity Building

Original Funding Request: \$2,273,947

~~Revised Funding Request: \$698,544~~

Revised Funding Request (Second Edition): \$536,955

Total Reduction: -\$1,736,992

Changes from initial proposal:

- Reduced travel costs
- Eliminated funding for office space/moved program office to a space provided in-kind by an agency of the state
- Reduced three full-time staff to one Program Manager, who will be responsible for program administration, project coordination, outreach and awareness, and overseeing Connected Corps
- Revised number of Task Force members from 25 to 15

Second Edition Changes:

- Changed Program Manager position to a Program Coordinator position

Technical Assistance Program

Original Funding Request: \$1,743,323

~~Revised Funding Request: \$777,889~~

Revised Funding Request (Second Edition): \$613,045

Total Reduction: -\$1,130,278

Changes from initial proposal:

- Reduced some services including equipment installation, travel, and analytics.
- Reduced funds allocated for the GIS cataloguing of local broadband successes and best practices through the Connect Minnesota web portal.
- Introduced Research Peer Review. Connect Minnesota, with the guidance of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, will partner with a university or research center to gather a peer review of the research. One partnership consideration is the Southwest Marketing Advisory Center (SMAC) at the Southwest Minnesota State University.

- Revised the number of Task Force members expected to take part in the planning of the annual summit from 19 to 11 (75% of the 15-member Task Force).

Second Edition Changes:

- Eliminated engineering consultants completely
- Eliminated legal expenses
- Eliminated travel expenses
- Removed GIS Cataloging
- Reduced research costs

Local/Regional Technology Planning Teams

Total Original Funding Request: \$1,242,656

~~Total Revised Funding Request: \$101,916~~

Revised Funding Request (Second Edition): \$0

Sum Total Reduction: -\$1,242,656

Changes from initial proposal:

- Eliminated the Local/Regional Technology Planning Teams, keeping only the Connected Corps initiative to target community programs that would supplement and/or complement other funded BTOP programs
- Eliminated two positions of Community Program Director and Technology Extension Agent
- Eliminated the Local Regional Planning Coordinators (Management Consultants)
- Eliminated the Connected Community Local Champion Training for all 87 counties

Second Edition Changes:

- Eliminated funding request under this category all together by removing Connected Corps initiative funding

Data Collection and Related Activities

Original Funding Request: \$ 1,676,159

Revised Funding Request: \$1,611,171 (No Additional Changes)

Total Reduction: -\$64,988

Changes from initial proposal:

- Removed Leading Practices as a separate budget line item and incorporated them instead into personnel accountabilities
- Realigned personnel allocations based upon guidance from NTIA

There were no additional changes made to the Data Collection and Related Activities category in the Second Edition.

BUDGET INFORMATION - Non-Construction Programs

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SECTION A - BUDGET SUMMARY						
Grant Program Function or Activity (a)	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number (b)	Estimated Unobligated Funds		New or Revised Budget		
		Federal (c)	Non-Federal (d)	Federal (e)	Non-Federal (f)	Total (g)
1. SBDD	11.558	\$	\$	\$ 2,761,171.00	\$ 691,332.00	\$ 3,452,503.00
2.						0.00
3.						0.00
4.						0.00
5. Totals		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,761,171.00	\$ 691,332.00	\$ 3,452,503.00
SECTION B - BUDGET CATEGORIES						
6. Object Class Categories	GRANT PROGRAM, FUNCTION OR ACTIVITY					Total (5)
	(1)	Federal	(2) Non-Federal	(3)		
a. Personnel	\$	991,510.00	\$ 95,447.00	\$	\$	\$ 1,086,957.00
b. Fringe Benefits		212,675.00	26,725.00			239,400.00
c. Travel		78,850.00				78,850.00
d. Equipment		54,281.00				54,281.00
e. Supplies		14,967.00				14,967.00
f. Contractual		384,496.00	56,520.00			441,016.00
g. Construction						0.00
h. Other		61,045.00	512,640.00			573,685.00
i. Total Direct Charges (sum of 6a-6h)		1,797,824.00	691,332.00	0.00	0.00	2,489,156.00
j. Indirect Charges		963,347.00	0.00			963,347.00
k. TOTALS (sum of 6i and 6j)	\$	2,761,171.00	\$ 691,332.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,452,503.00
7. Program Income	\$	0.00	\$ 0.00	\$	\$	\$ 0.00

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SECTION C - NON-FEDERAL RESOURCES					
(a) Grant Program	(b) Applicant	(c) State	(d) Other Sources	(e) TOTALS	
8.	\$	\$ 211,081.00	\$ 480,251.00	\$ 691,332.00	
9.				0.00	
10.				0.00	
11.				0.00	
12. TOTAL (sum of lines 8-11)	\$ 0.00	\$ 211,081.00	\$ 480,251.00	\$ 691,332.00	
SECTION D - FORECASTED CASH NEEDS					
	Total for 1st Year	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
13. Federal	\$ 0.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
14. Non-Federal	0.00				
15. TOTAL (sum of lines 13 and 14)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
SECTION E - BUDGET ESTIMATES OF FEDERAL FUNDS NEEDED FOR BALANCE OF THE PROJECT					
(a) Grant Program	FUTURE FUNDING PERIODS (Years)				
	(b) First	(c) Second	(d) Third	(e) Fourth	
16.	\$	\$	\$	\$	
17.					
18.					
19.					
20. TOTAL (sum of lines 16-19)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
SECTION F - OTHER BUDGET INFORMATION					
21. Direct Charges: \$2,489,156		22. Indirect Charges: \$963,347			
23. Remarks:					