

Attachment F

Broadband – current status

FY2021 Strategic Priority:

Improving access to high quality broadband. Enabling reliable high-speed broadband service throughout the county by determining appropriate investments (e.g., conduct a community needs analysis, evaluate technical options).

During the FY2022 budget hearings, Council approved a new Broadband Manager position. Council also approved a budget option in the amount of \$500,000 for the following:

Using the prior 2013 broadband analysis as a baseline, develop updated community broadband conceptual designs. This design work should provide 2 concepts, one where the infrastructure and service delivery is all from the County, and a second that provides for public/private partnerships on the infrastructure and service delivery.

In December 2021, the Broadband Manager position was filled. Staff expects to bring forward the draft scope of work for this design effort for Council review and approval in the near future.

Over the past year, staff has also been discussing middle-mile opportunities with both LANL and San Ildefonso Pueblo representatives.