UPDATED VERSION OF MAP OF AREAS PRESUMPTIVELY ELIGIBLE FOR MOBILITY FUND PHASE II NOW AVAILABLE

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The Rural Broadband Auctions Task Force (Task Force), in conjunction with the Wireline Competition Bureau and the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (the Bureaus), today releases an updated version of the map of areas presumptively eligible for Mobility Fund Phase II (MF-II) support. The updated map is available on the Commission’s website at www.fcc.gov/maps/mobility-fund-ii-initial-eligible-areas-map/. This version of the map also shows an update to the areas presumptively ineligible for MF-II support due to qualifying, unsubsidized coverage reported by a single mobile provider. The updated map reflects adjustments to underlying coverage and subsidy data, resulting in an increase in area presumptively eligible for support in the MF-II auction. The updates do not alter the eligibility status of 99.87 percent of the total area (both eligible and ineligible areas) shown on the first version of the map.

Specifically, the updated version of the map reflects three changes to coverage and subsidy data. First, in order to adjust for inconsistencies between U.S. Census data and wire center boundary data, the updated version of the map now incorporates subsidies for small portions of certain wire centers that cross into an adjacent state, thereby increasing presumptively eligible area in additional states. Second, staff...
reprocessed the map data for Kentucky and a portion of Tennessee to account for corrected subsidy assignments in those areas.\(^5\) Third, staff incorporated revised 4G LTE coverage data submitted by one mobile provider for South Carolina and Oklahoma.\(^6\)

For further information concerning the MF-II challenge process, please email mf2challengeprocess@fcc.gov or contact Jonathan McCormack, Auctions and Spectrum Access Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418-0660.

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\(^{5}\) Legacy competitive eligible telecommunications carrier (CETC) support for one Kentucky study area, which crosses into Tennessee, was incorrectly assigned when the first version of the presumptively eligible areas map was generated.

\(^{6}\) A challenger alerted staff to an inadvertent misattribution of a roaming partner’s coverage by one provider. The provider submitted corrected data.