NOTICE

Request For Proposals Fiber-Optic Broadband - Internet Service Provider

The Towns of Silver Cliff, Westcliffe and Custer County, Colorado, acting in publicpartnership under an Inter-Governmental Agreement, request proposals from Internet Service Providers interested in entering into a Public-Private- Partnership Agreement for the purpose of serving as joint applicants with the Towns and County for Federal ReConnect Grant Funding. Interested parties are requested to provide a proposal in the final form of a Public-Private-Partnership Agreement containing the following terms of Agreement to be considered for approval by the Towns and County; To provide up to 25% cash match as stipulated in grant requirements; To assist in grant application preparation including final design engineering for last mile service; To ensure high speed broadband will be accessible for all internet end users in both towns and the county; To assume operational control of the construction, ownership and management of the fiberbroadband network within both towns and the county; To enable co-ownership benefits of the fiber-optic line itself such that recurring revenue will be accrued to both towns and the county; And to ensure compliance with grant policies, procedures and evaluation requirements published in the Federal Register -Funding Opportunity Announcement - Vol. 86, No. 203, October 25, 2021; Assistance Listing: 10.752; grants.gov: RUS-REC-2022; www.usda.gov/reconnect. All proposals must be submitted electronically no later than 11:59 a.m., local time, December 8, 2021, to Custer County Commission Chairman, Mr. Bill Canda, Official Project Point-of-Contact, at the following email address: bill@custercountygov.com:

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