

Broadband Assessment Project

March 3, 2022

Overview

- Seminole County has allocated \$4.7 Million of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
- Funding is for Infrastructure projects (including Broadband) that improve the quality of life for Seminole County residents and businesses.

Goal

- To ensure the availability of service for all Seminole County residents, emphasizing unserved and underserved communities as defined in the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).
- Additionally, to identify any external funding sources or opportunities that can improve broadband across the entire county.

Approach

- Request for Proposal (RFP) to select a consultant to provide a Broadband Assessment for Seminole County released on 9/23/2021
- Board of County Commissioners awarded the contract to Magellan Advisors on 12/14/2021
- Project Kick-off on 1/28/2022

High-level Scope

- Evaluate the current state of access availability against baseline needs, usage, and supply.
- Determine economic and community impact of broadband issues within the county
- Evaluate current and future demand
- Evaluate current infrastructure coverage
- Identify funding sources and establish an action plan for improving broadband availability

Start
Thu 12/9/21

Project Kickoff

January 21

March 11

May 1

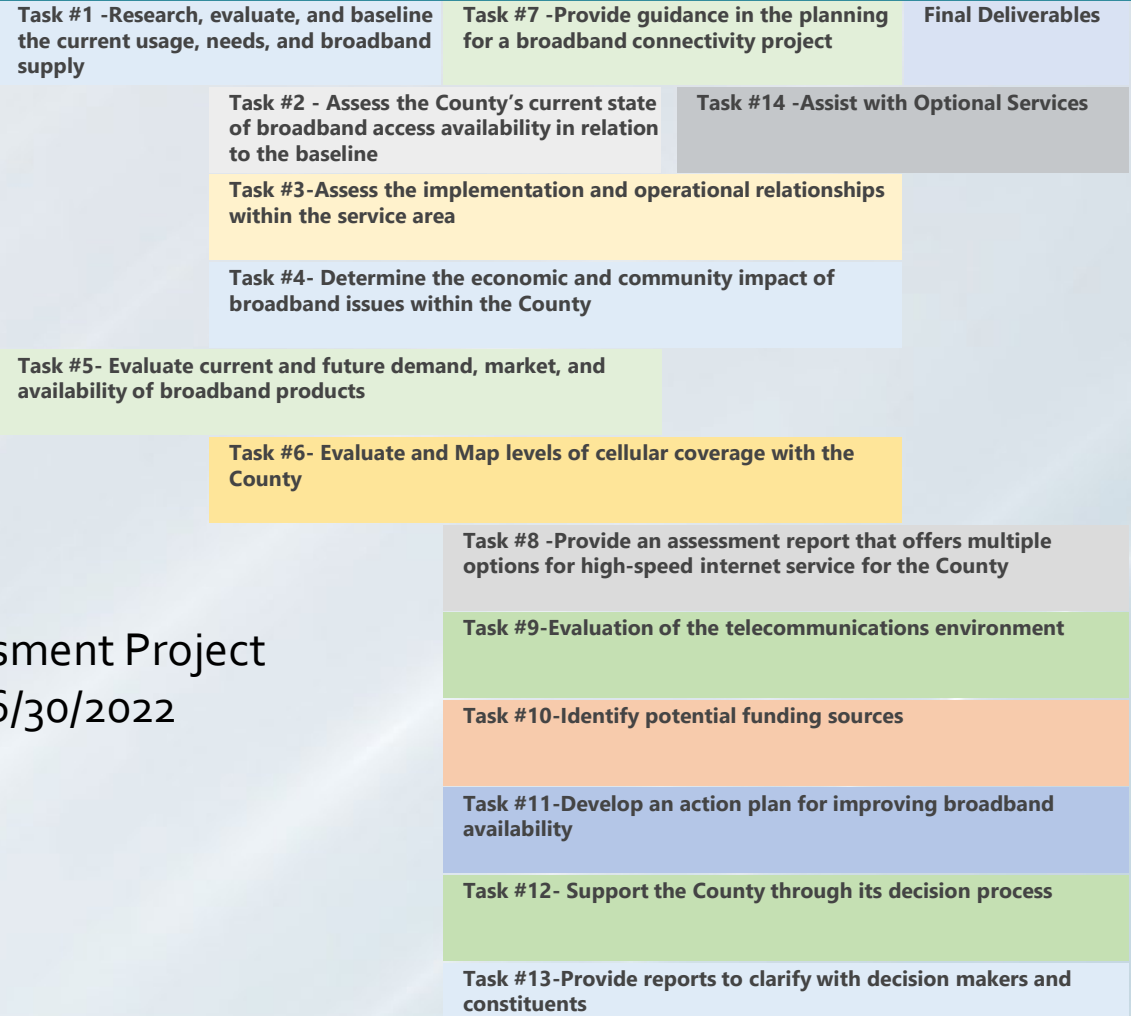
Project Complete

June 21

Finish
Fri 7/1/22

Timeline

Broadband Assessment Project 1/28/2022 - 6/30/2022

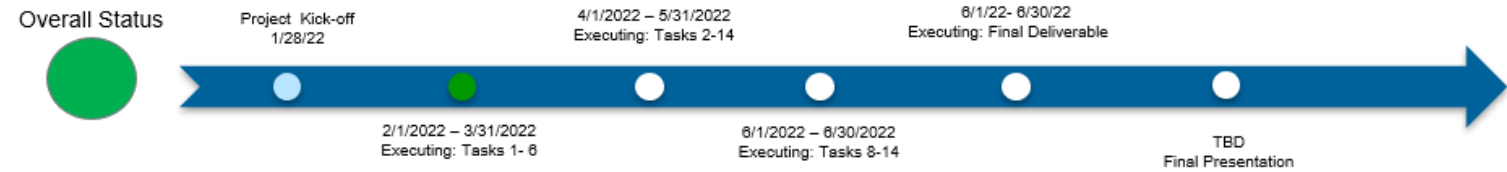


Project Status

- Tasks #1-6 are in progress:
 - Data Mapping Portal established
 - Stakeholder Engagement Sessions are being scheduled
 - County Webpage, Consumer Survey, and Internet Speed test is expected to be live no later than 3/7/2022

Project Status

Broadband Assessment: Project Status



Reporting Date	Project Phase	Percent Complete	Project Manager
February 25, 2022	Executing	10%	Frank Camarata

Project Sponsor(s)	Business Project Lead	Vendor Contacts
Meloney Koontz , Assistant County Manager	N/A	Courtney Violette, Magellan-Advisors

Project Description

The purpose of this project is to conduct a broadband assessment study to determine the best solutions to improve broadband connectivity for unserved and underserved Seminole County communities as defined by the American Rescue Act (ARPA) and any associated federal infrastructure funding legislation.

Accomplishments (In order by most recent):	Next Steps:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 02/23/2022 - Project Status Meeting: - Broadband Consumer Survey/Data Portal 02/09/2022 - Project Status Meeting: - Stakeholder Engagement Discussion 01/28/2022 - Project Kick-off meeting held 01/14/2022 – Pre Kick-off Planning meeting held 01/04/2022 – Broadband Assessment Services Agreement executed 12/14/2021 – Contract awarded to Magellan-Advisors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broadband Consumer Survey Launch Stakeholder Outreach Execute Tasks 1-6 Next Status Meeting: 3/9/2022

Open Risks, Issues, Actions and Key Dependencies: (As of the reporting date)					
Type	Date	Description	Owner	Impact	Comments/ Mitigation Plan
Risks	1/14/2022	Stakeholder Engagement/Feedback	Magellan-Advisors	Med	Lack of stakeholder feedback/responses could prevent ability to ascertain a full view of broadband needs/ Continue to socialize project goals and long-term benefits.

Status Key : ● Milestone Completed ● In Progress ● Milestone at Risk ● Progress Halted/ On Hold