

VPS Consulting Memo

Broadband Map Released for Data as of December 31, 2022

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released the FCC Broadband Map (Map) reflecting BDC filing data as of December 31, 2022, and processed availability challenges. Additional information is available in the Press Release.

Overview

All Internet Service Providers (ISPs) are required to submit their availability for broadband serviceable locations (BSLs) bi-annually. The FCC compiles this information and produces the FCC National Broadband Map. The Map includes the data through December 31, 2022.

Challenge Inclusion

The FCC mapping team reviewed over 4 million challenged locations; 75% of the location challenges have been resolved, which has led to updates to the Map showing where broadband data is available.

Other Takeaways

The FCC provided additional takeaways from the iterative data gathering approach being utilized for the Map, including:

- Over one million net increase in serviceable locations, as compared to the November 2022 pre-production draft map.
- Over 300,000 additional unserved locations identified in the updated Map.
- Location quality validation and enforcement tools are being utilized to ensure accurate availability filings.
- The FCC will release major updates to the Map twice a year with minor availability data being updated regularly.

Immediate Action Recommended

Vantage Point recommends reviewing your service territory to determine if there are challenges to file.

Additional Information

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