



Nez Perce

TRIBAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit written comments for the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (NTIA-BTOP) applications submitted with the Nez Perce Tribe documented as impacted by the proposed projects. We have completed our review of the applications sent to us on March 30, 2010. The complete review is enclosed; highly valued projects submitted include easy Grants ID #'s 5022 – Nez Perce Reservation Broadband Enhancement, 6743 Idaho Commission for Libraries High Quality Public Computing and 7025- One Economy Fostering Broadband Adoption.

The Nez Perce Tribe has worked diligently with state and local agencies to aid in development of broadband services. We have actively participated in regional strategic broadband implementation efforts and reached out to partners in leveraging available resources to enhance telecommunications capacity across the Nez Perce Reservation and north central Idaho region.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the applications submitted to the NTIA BTOP that have identified the Nez Perce Tribe as impacted.

Sincerely,

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Enclosed: NTIA –BTOP Project Review

Applicant	EGID	Application Type	Project Title	Comments
Nez Perce Tribe	5022	CCI	Nez Perce Reservation Broadband Enhancement	Highly Valued project developed to implement the strategies and connectivity priorities of the Tribe
ID Commission for Libraries	6743	PCC	High Quality Public Computing in Idaho Libraries	Highly Valued project partner with the Nez Perce Tribe
One Economy Corp	7025	SBA	Fostering Broadband Adoption for Senior Citizens, Rural Americans and Native Americans	Highly Valued project partner with the Nez Perce Tribe
Socket Mobile Inc	5335	SBA	Mobile Broadband Health Platform	A valued project for health care delivery to Nez Perce people
Brinksman Consulting & Trading Grp	6081	SBA	Planning Guideline for Broadband Access Implementation	Will offer some value; a self taught primer for planning expansion of fiber optics deployment could be utilized as the Tribe and its partners consider future fiber optic enhancements
University Corp for Advanced Internet Development	4589	CCI	US United Community Anchor Network	Will offer little value; the regional networks currently partnered with the Nez Perce Tribe includes access across the ID Regional Optic Network, which is linked to regional GigaPOP's
TEV Enterprises LLC	7701	CCI	Emergency Alert Broadcasts to PC's	Will offer little value; by only utilizing the top 10 ISP's across the nation it is unlikely the opportunity will be available to our network
Aztronix LLC	6977	SBA	Aztronix BTOP SBA UZAP Global Online Marketplace Project	Will offer little value

County Executives Telecommunications Initiative	7027	SBA	County Execs Telecom Network	Will offer no value; online training is of value however this group has not offered services in our region
County Executives Telecommunications Initiative	7108	CCI	County Execs Telecom Network	Will offer no value; regionally the Nez Perce tribe provides redundant communications networking for public safety entities (county, state, tribal police)
Broadband Alliance	6672	SBA	Software Wizard to recommend broadband service based on user needs and budget	Will offer no value
Duval & Jules LLC	6095	PCC	Netlife TV	Will offer no value
Native Broadband Satellite, LLC	4468	CCI	Native Broadband - Bringing Remote and Tribal Community Institutions up to speed	Will offer no value; the focus is Alaska, the Nez Perce Tribe was not contacted regarding a partnership
Genoa Services	6911	SBA	Broadband Enabled Remote Guidance Systems for the Visually Impaired	Will offer no value; the coverage for remote activation of the device is not widely available, more applicable in urban areas