

December 6, 2024

TO: RAILS Board Universal Service Committee

FROM: Monica Harris, Executive Director

SUBJECT: 9.1 Review the Revised 2024 Universal Service Plan

At our last meeting on September 6, the RAILS Board Universal Service Committee reviewed the updates to the 2024 RAILS Universal Service Plan and provided some additional revisions. In your packet you will find the updates to those revisions as discussed, as well as updated stats about the unserved that reflect the most recent available data.

Please review the new draft and consider whether you feel it fully reflects the comments raised at the September 6 meeting. There will be time to discuss any additional changes you would like to see as well.

If we can get this draft to a place that is acceptable to the group, we can vote to adopt the plan at this meeting. If additional significant revisions are needed, we can revisit next quarter. Once we have an adopted plan we can begin more discussion on work assignments for committee members, as well as future agenda topics based on plan priorities.

I look forward to further discussion at our December 13 meeting.