Broadband Mapping Initiative Overview

for the

State of Connecticut Broadband Internet Coordinating Council

Applied Geographics, Inc.

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Background

NTIA awarded CT \$1.8M

- \$1.3M to collect information on availability and broadband service in CT.
- \$500k for mapping and Statewide planning activities.

 Through Executive Order 32, CT Department of Public Utility Control assigned the lead agency on the broadband mapping project.

 Contracted with Applied Geographics INC (AppGeo) to assist with data collection, GIS processing, and to develop the related web applications.

Data Collection

This program involves collecting data from:

- Broadband Providers
 - Private
 - Public, and
 - Public/private partnerships
- Community Anchor Institutions
 - Schools
 - Libraries
 - Medical and Health Care Providers
 - Public Safety
 - Universities/Colleges/Higher Education
 - Governmental Community Support
 - Non-governmental Community Support
- Consumers of broadband service

Data Needed from Service Providers

Data broadband providers are requested to provide:

- Service Availability: Information where they provide service today or could offer service in 7 to 10 business days
 - For census blocks less than 2 sq miles at census block level
 - For census blocks greater than 2 sq miles at street segment level
 - For wireless providers, a boundary of their service area
- Middle Mile/Backbone Interconnection Points
- Technology of Transmission (e.g. DSL, copper wire, cable modem, fiber, satellite, wireless, other)
- Upstream and Downstream Speed both advertised and typical



Participating Providers

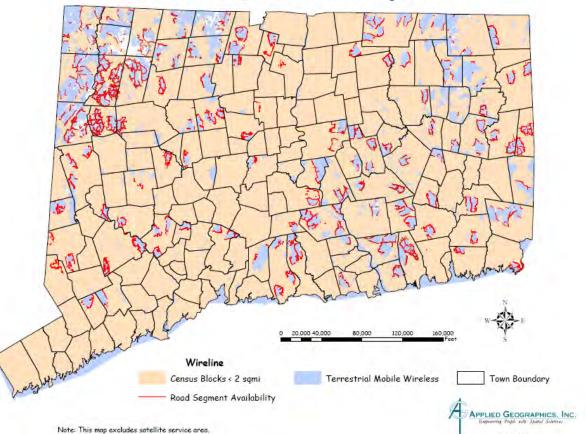


Data Processing

- Much of this data is considered proprietary and confidential by the actual service providers.
- Start process by signing Non-Disclosure-Agreements with the provider
- Processed into a standardized format
 - Aggregated to non-confidential format
- Ultimately delivered to NTIA
- Process repeated twice a year

Data Processing

Connecticut State Broadband Coverage Wireless and Wireline Service Areas - Excluding Satellite



The first round was processed and submitted to the state and NTIA in May 2010

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May 2010

Preliminary Findings

- Due to its size and various regulations, CT only has:
 - Two actual ILEC providers
 - Three mobile wireless providers
 - Six cable TV based providers
- Provider service boundaries are much more defined than in other parts of the country
- Due to the states small geographic size, over 95% of the state is covered by wire line or terrestrial wireless service (meeting NTIA definition)



Current Activities

- Round 2 (status as of June 30, 2010) has been collected, and processed
- Providers have an opportunity to review their data in a secure web-based application
 - More rigorous validation is being done

Round 2 data will be delivered to the state and NTIA by October 1st



Web Site Overview

 Purpose: Provide bidirectional flow of information between State of Connecticut and consumers/providers of broadband technology

- Web Portal will consist of six integrated components:
 - 1. Informational Portal
 - 2. Community Anchor Institution Application
 - **3.** Speed Test Application
 - 4. On-line Surveys
 - 5. Interactive Mapping Portal
 - 6. Provider Portal

Information Portal

http://ct.gov/broadband

- Entrance point to mapping portal
- Project/Program Overview
- Program Status Updates
- PDF's of Map Products
- **Contact Information**

Launch point to other apps



initiated this program to develop a statewide broadband availability map

In addition to creating a statewide map, this program supports the development and maintenance of a national broadband map, as well as other statewide initiatives directed at broadband planning.

The interactive map on this site is an easy way to identify what broadband services are available at any point in Connecticut. In addition to the provider names, you can see what technology types and connection speeds are available



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Community Anchor Institution Application

- Secure Site
- Find your facility
- Provide technical information
 - (provider(s), speed, technology, etc)
- Improve accuracy of location
- Add new or missing facility
- Perform a speed test from that location



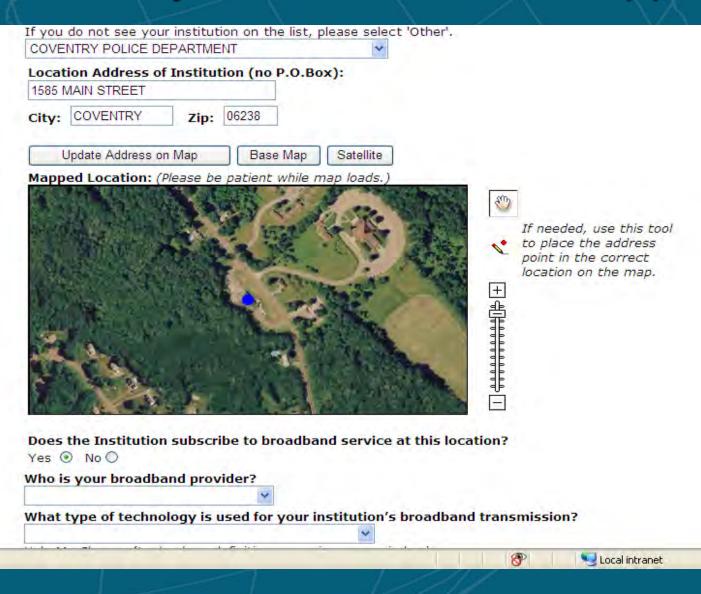
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Community Anchor Institution Application

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Community Anchor Institution Application





Speed Test

- Collect data on actual speeds at end-user location
 - Collect data in multiple places:
 - Community Anchor Institutions
 - As part of survey
 - As stand alone data
 - Collect speed, provider, technology, time of day
- Provide validation of service being provided
- Provide useful feedback statistics about speed of connection



Speed Test

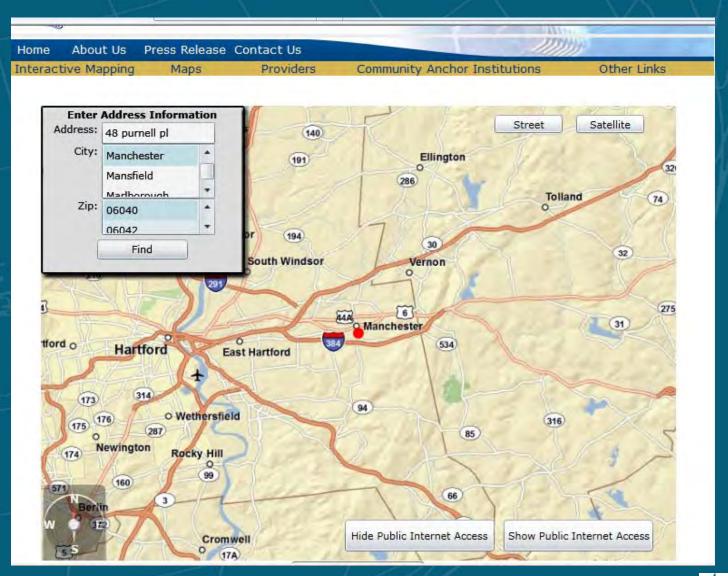
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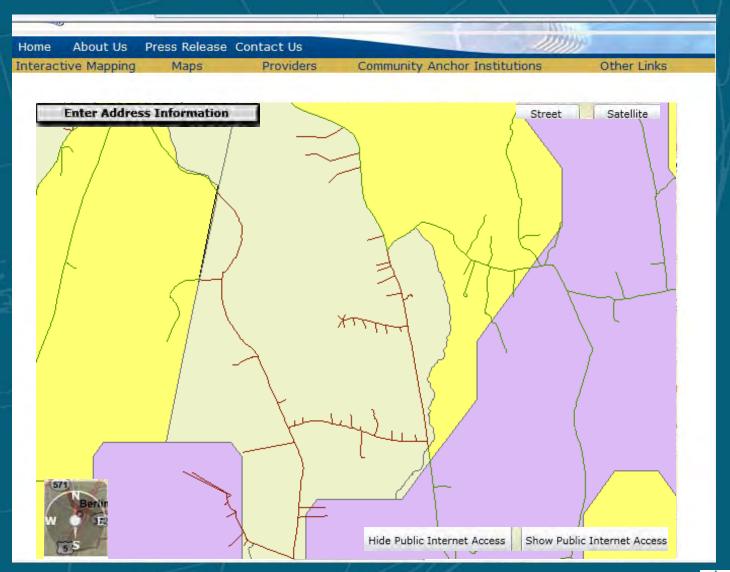
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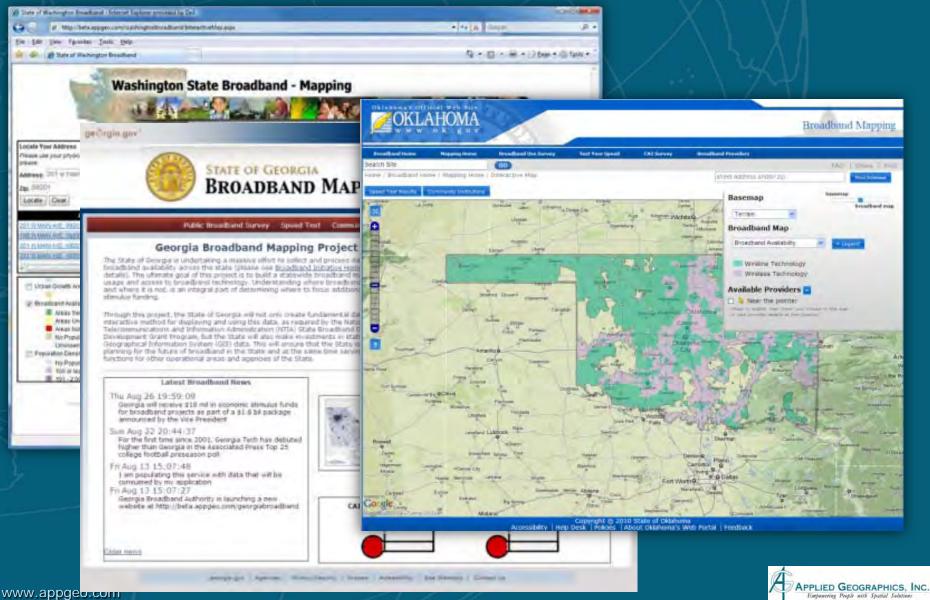










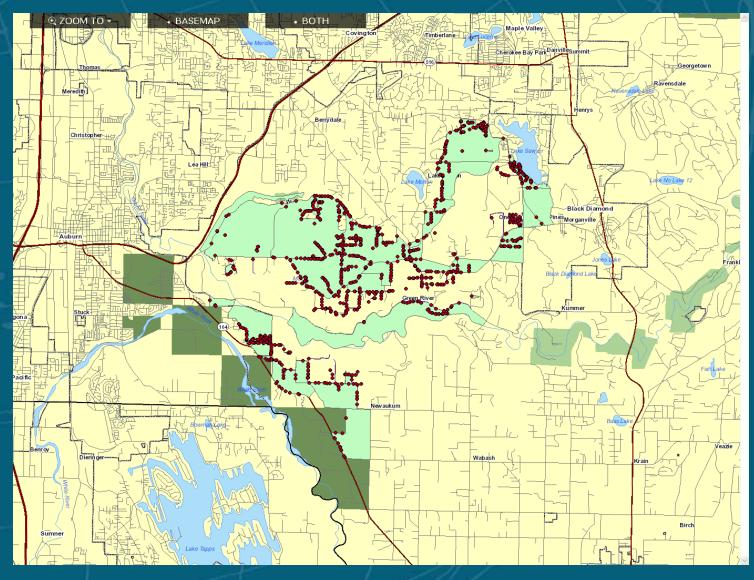


Provider Internal Verification

- Secure site for submission/verification of data
 - Provider Review and Verification
 - View raw submission data (points)
 - Compare to processed data (blocks & segments)
 - Review service area versus adoption area
 - Review technology of transmission
 - Review upstream and downstream speed
 - Toggle blocks/street segments, served or not served
 - Redline and markup, complete missing details



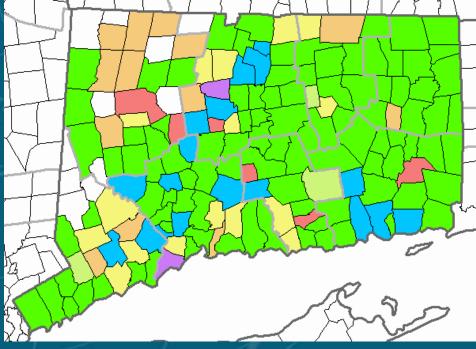
Provider Portal





Parcel Consolidation and Standardization

- Collect Existing Parcels
- Standardize Parcels to Draft State Standard
- No edgematching, updating, spatial adjustment or creation



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Questions

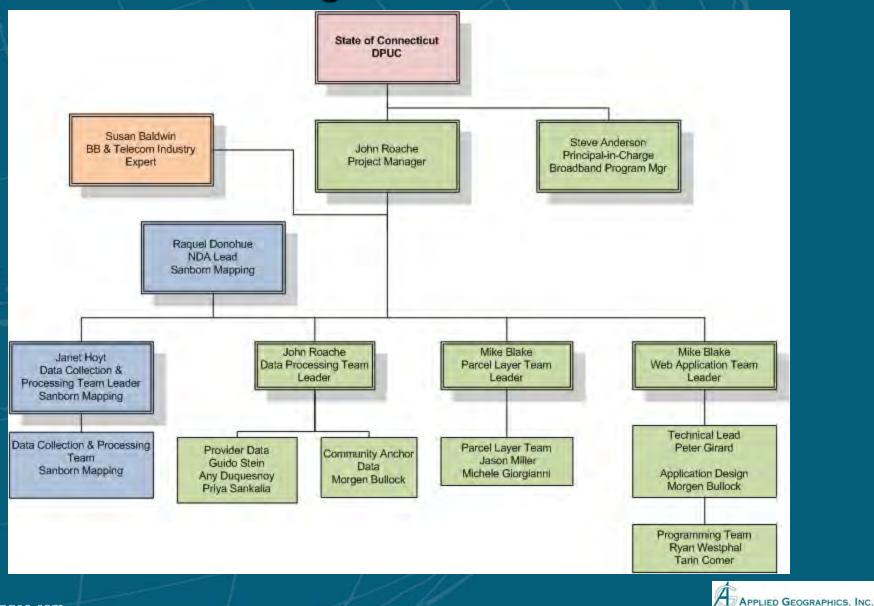
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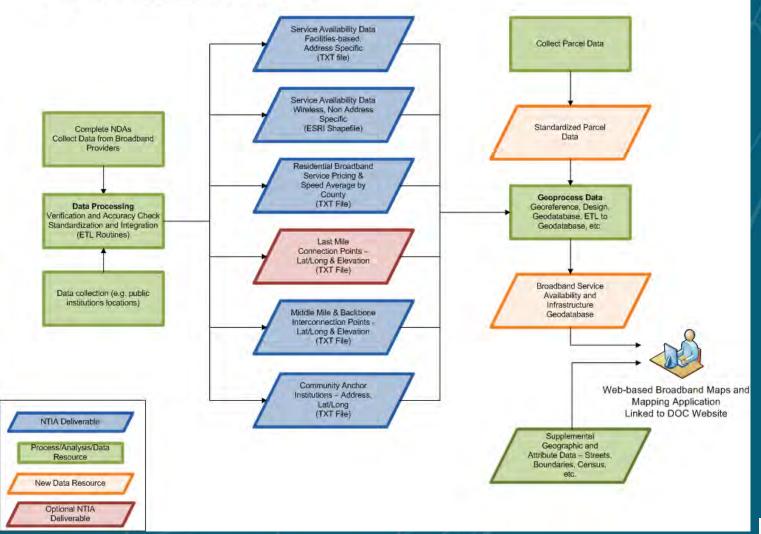
Introductions & Organizational Chart



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Project Approach

NTIA State Broadband Data and Development Grant Program Requirements and Deliverables



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