

**TO AMEND CB-11-23, A COUNCIL BILL TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE 2022 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL ECONNECTIVITY (RECONNECT) PROGRAM**

**IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION**

**RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL**

**A COUNCIL BILL**

**TO AMEND** CB-11-23, A Council Bill to approve application for the 2022 United States Department of Agriculture Rural eConnectivity (ReConnect) Program.

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation (the "Nation") passed Council Bill CB-11-23 to authorize application for the 2022 United Department of Agriculture Rural eConnectivity (ReConnect) Program, which will allow the Nation to provide broadband access to Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma tribal members who live and work in highly underserved areas;

**WHEREAS**, CB-11-23 did not reference the project area as requested by the Program Director;

**WHEREAS**, this proposed amendment will update the Proposed Funded Service Area ("PFSA") locations to the Hodgen area, from the Oklahoma state line following Highway 28 to just north of Hodgen; west of Hodgen in between highways 59, 1, and 271. See Exhibit A; and

**WHEREAS**, the maximum federal budget will not exceed \$25,000,000.

**THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED** by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as approval to amend CB-11-23 which approved the application to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural eConnectivity (ReConnect) Program.

**BE IT FURTHER ENACTED** by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as approval to modify the proposed funded service area locations of service to the Hodgen area, from the Oklahoma state line following Highway 28 to just north of Hodgen; west of Hodgen in between highways 59, 1, and 271.

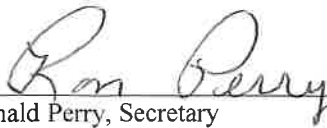
**BE IT FURTHER ENACTED** by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as an acknowledgement that the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, is authorized to prepare, execute, deliver and file any and all agreements, certificates, instruments and documents, in such form and with such terms and provisions as the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, may approve, and to take such other action as he, she or they may deem proper or appropriate, to carry out the intent and purposes of the foregoing enactments.

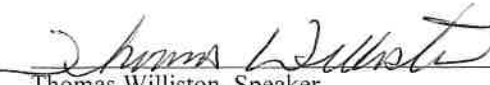
**CERTIFICATION**

*I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on December 10, 2022. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 27 -23 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve ( 12 ) members, zero ( 0 ) negative votes, and zero ( 0 ) abstaining.*

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Ronald Perry, Secretary  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

  
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Thomas Williston, Speaker  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

  
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Gary Patton, Chief  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 12-13-22

**TO AMEND CB-11-23, A COUNCIL BILL TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE 2022 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL ECONNECTIVITY (RECONNECT) PROGRAM**

**Purpose/Need of Council Bill:** To amend CB-11-23 to reflect a change in proposed funded service area locations of service to the Hodgen area, from the Oklahoma state line following Highway 28 to just north of Hodgen; west of Hodgen in between highways 59, 1, and 271; as requested by the Program Director.

**Title of Council Bill:** **TO AMEND CB-11-23, A COUNCIL BILL TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE 2022 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL ECONNECTIVITY (RECONNECT) PROGRAM**

**Federal Agency:** United States Department of Agriculture

**Choctaw Nation Department:** Information Technology

**Maximum Federal Award Available for Year 1:** \$25,000,000

**CNO Match:** \$0

**Maximum Federal Award for Total Project:** Up to \$25,000,000 as determined by the USDA upon review of the Nation's application.

**Proposed Funded Service Area:** The Hodgen area, from the Oklahoma state line following Highway 28 to just north of Hodgen; west of Hodgen in between highways 59, 1, and 271.

**Request by Project Director/SEO:** Robert Griffin, Project Director; Jimmy D. Williams, Executive Director; Kelly McKaughan, SEO Integrated Services

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RURAL ECONNECTIVITY (RECONNECT) PROGRAM**

**IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION**

**RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL**

**A COUNCIL BILL**

**TO APPROVE** application to the United States Department of Agriculture for the Rural eConnectivity (ReConnect) Program.

**WHEREAS**, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (the "Nation") realizes the need to provide broadband access for Native American citizens who live and work in highly underserved areas;

**WHEREAS**, funds from the United States Department of Agriculture will assist the Nation in the installation of broadband equipment and cable; and

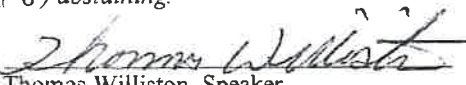
**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma finds it is in the best interest of the Nation to approve application to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural eConnectivity (ReConnect) Program.

**THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED** by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Council Bill be cited as approval for application to the United States Department of Agriculture for the Rural eConnectivity (ReConnect) Program.

**CERTIFICATION**

*I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on October 8, 2022. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 11 -23 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12 ) members, zero ( 0 ) negative votes, and zero ( 0 ) abstaining.*

  
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Ronald Perry, Secretary  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

  
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Thomas Williston, Speaker  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

  
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Gary Batton, Chief  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 10-12-22