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I am providing response comments related to the following application (choose one): **KwiKom Communications - Wellsville KS**

I am responding to concerns this project: **Proposes service to an area in which construction is already underway**

Please provide your response to the public comments received in the text box below.

RG Fiber is building fiber, as shown in their map, well outside the area proposed by KwiKom for fiber to the home and business and should not affect this grant in any way. KwiKom is investing money into this project via private capital as well, and only seeking assistance through this grant to make the project more feasible. With in-house engineering and construction KwiKom is able to construct this network at a lower cost than most other providers making the use of grant money and private capital more efficient.

As of today Wellsville is in need of quality, reliable, Internet and KwiKom is proposing to provide just that in the proposed area and plans to continue to expand to more outside of the proposed area in the future. The fiber built by KFN also shown in the map is for middle-mile and enterprise use, as referenced in their attached letter and KwiKom intends to use this KFN middle-mile fiber to service the proposed network as we have done so in other communities in Kansas through our ongoing partnership. Additionally agreements are already in place with Wellsville for use of their right-of-ways by KwiKom.

See attached the letter from Kansas Fiber Network about their middle-mile fiber as well as intended use and partnership with KwiKom, and Letter of Support from both the City of Wellsville and Franklin County Development Council for KwiKom.

Please provide supporting documents relative to your comments. Please submit multiple files as a ZIP file.

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