



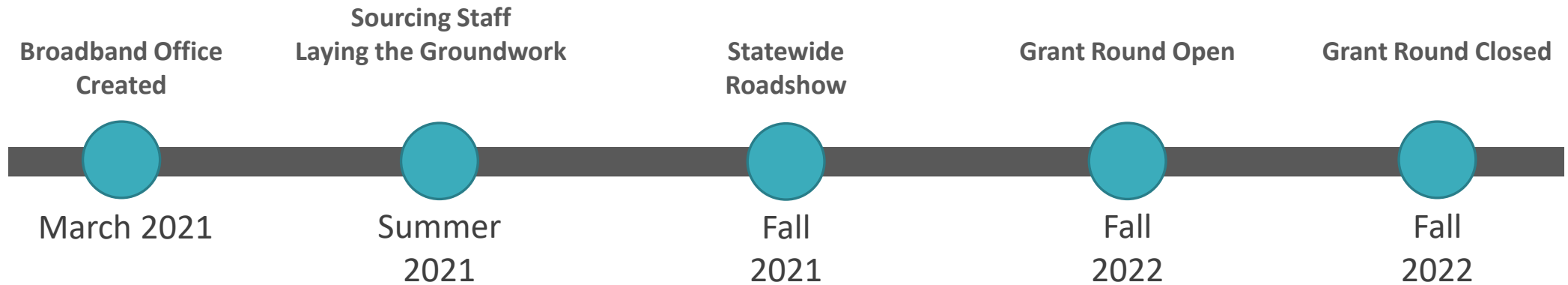
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ConnectLA Timeline

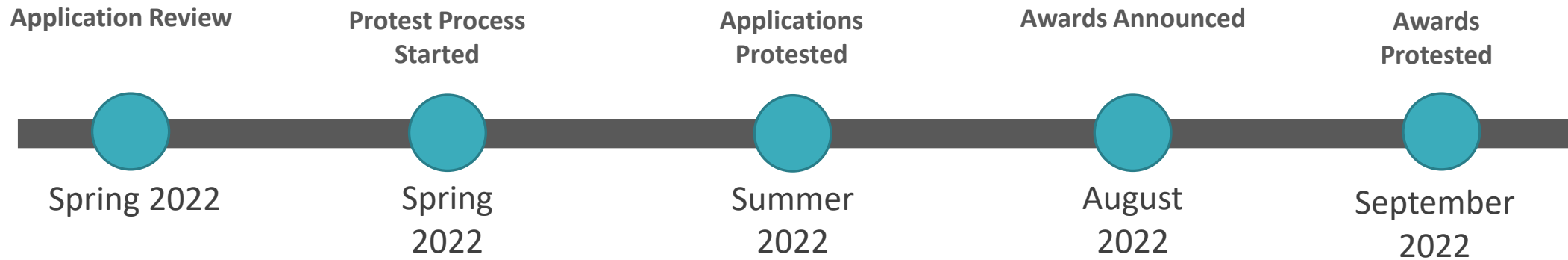




GUMBO Grant Program (CPF)

- 📶 \$177 million program from Capital Projects Fund
 - 📶 177 applications totaling \$711 million in total project costs
 - 📶 \$440 million in state funding requests
 - 📶 40% average match (25% match required)
 - 📶 56/64 parishes/counties
 - 📶 14 national companies, 8 local companies, 1 cooperative
 - 📶 Partnership with Louisiana Community and Technical College System
 - 📶 \$10 million allocated by the state for broadband workforce development

ConnectLA Timeline



GUMBO Grant Program (CPF)

📶 Application Protests – 157 protests targeting 88 applications

📶 31 appealed, all resolved

📶 Award Announcements – July, August, September 2022

📶 80+ awards across 54 parishes/counties

📶 18 different companies

📶 \$285m in projects, \$164m subsidized

📶 80k locations

📶 Average completion within 18 months

📶 Award Protests:

📶 29 projects, 14 in process

ConnectLA Currently

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Looking Ahead

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

Digital Equity

Stakeholder Engagement

 September 2022 through November 2022

 Focus Groups – November 2022 through December 2022

 Draft Plan Complete – March 2022

BEAD

Initial Planning & 5 Year Plan

 September 2022 through December 2022

 Draft Plan Complete – March 2022

Looking Ahead

- Creation of first state-wide broadband map

 - Legislative requirement

- Revisions to GUMBO requirements

- DEA/BEAD Plan Developments

- Development of Key 5 Year Plan Projects

 - What is important to Louisiana?

 - How can we maximize the funds we receive to better our state and residents?



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