

Henderson County Broadband Discussion

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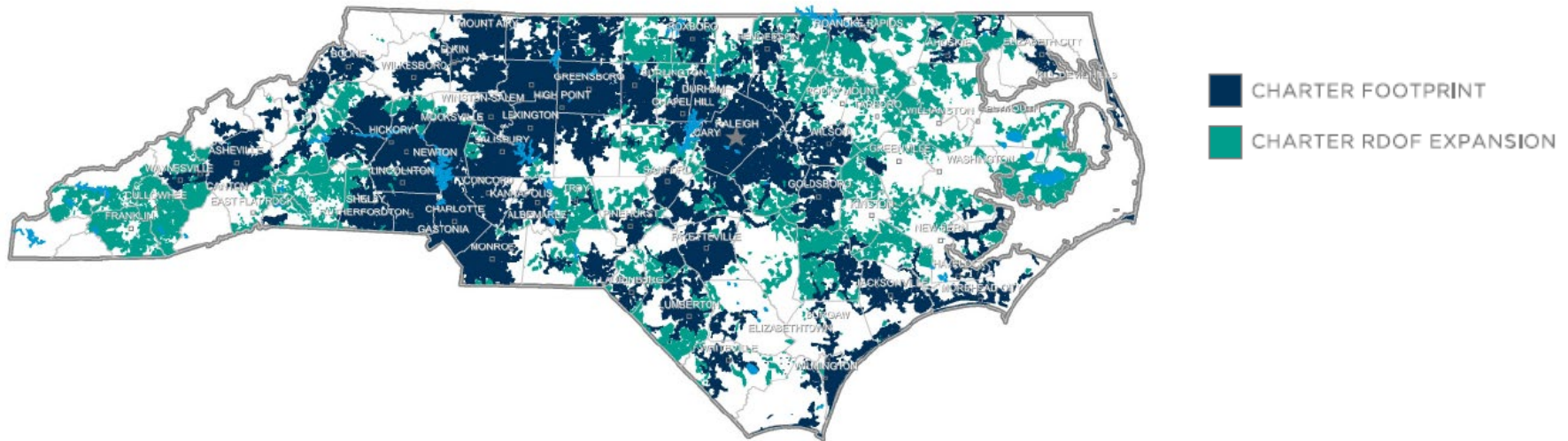
Agenda

- FCC RDOF Program
- Charter's RDOF Awards
- Opportunities for Partnership

Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF)

- FCC Program
- Designed to address need to expand broadband into rural areas across the country
- Eligible areas: census blocks with no broadband service (25/3 Mbps)
- Reverse Auction to determine awards
- Charter bids were based upon enhanced desk top analysis -- FCC 477 reports & census bureau data
- Six year build out window, with intermediate benchmarks
- www.SpectrumRuralExpansion.com

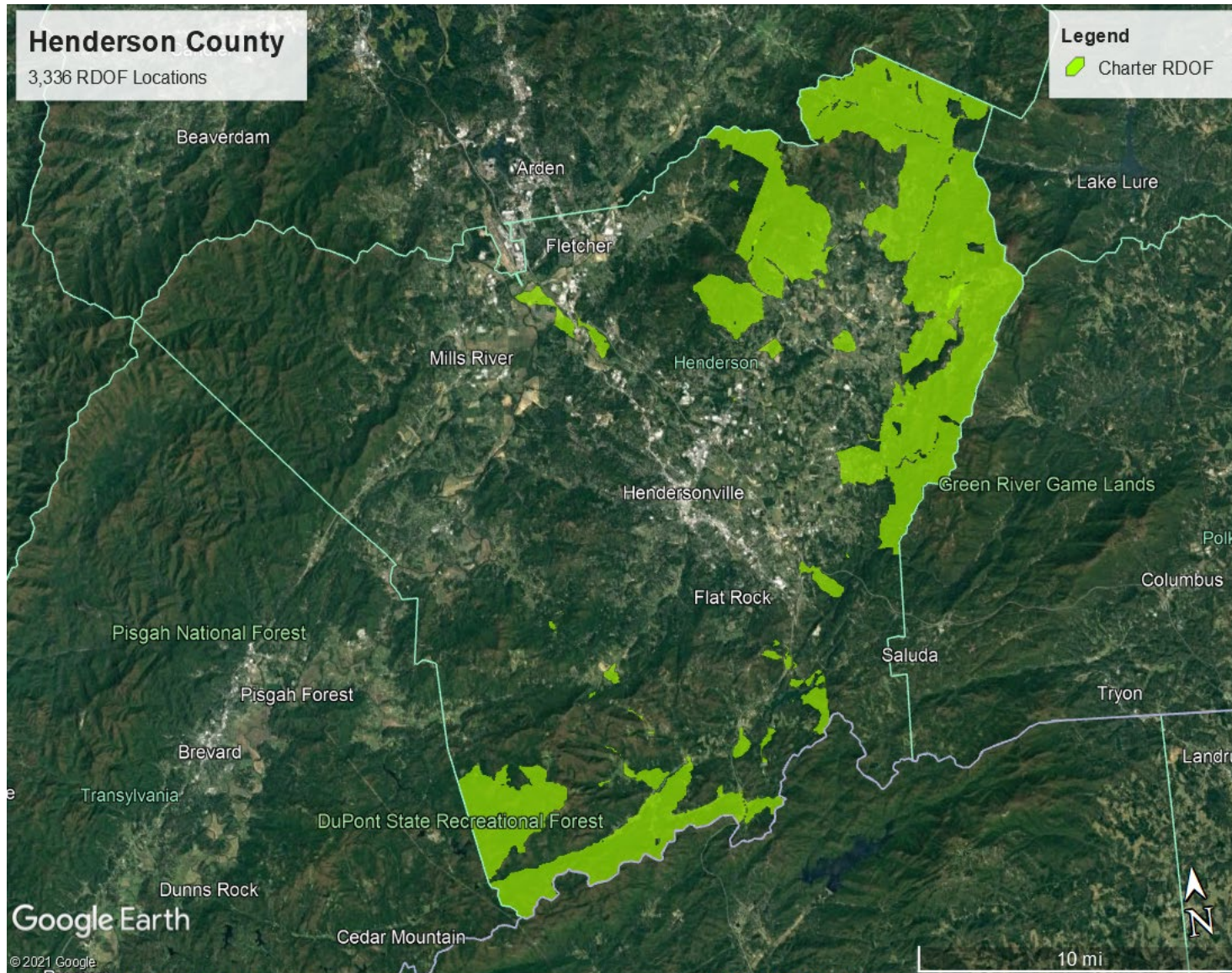
RDOF Awards in North Carolina



Charter's RDOF awards in North Carolina is extensive – particularly to our most rural counties

- **Nationally** Charter was awarded over **1 million locations**
- In **North Carolina** Charter was awarded over **125,000 locations**
- Charter will build in 67 of the 80 rural counties
- Charter established new RDOF department – 2,000 new employees
- New build areas will be FTTH*
- 200 Mbps standard service - Gig service available
- Demonstrates Charter's strong commitment to expand broadband into the rural areas of North Carolina

Henderson County RDOF Award Areas



Opportunities for Partnership

NC State GREAT Grant Program

(Growing Rural Economies with Access to Technology)

- \$350M – State ARPA Funds
- Application by Provider
- Funding: State match & County partnership
- Competitive based upon application score

NC State Completing Access to Broadband (CAB)

- \$400M – State ARPA Funds
- County manages process under State rules (TBD)
- Funding: 30% Provider – 35% State – 35% County ARPA funds

Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

- Authorization Act signed 11/15/21
- Funds not yet Appropriated by Congress
- National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) administrating \$42.5 B nationally
- Program(s) details pending

Discussion