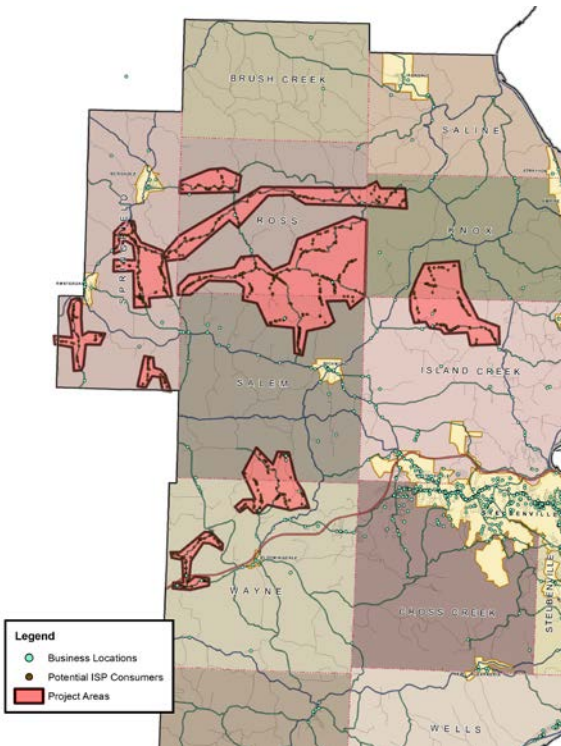


Notification to Seek Federal Funds to Deploy Broadband

Jefferson County is working to establish public-private partnerships with broadband providers serving the County to expand access to broadband services for business, education, and residential use in northern areas of the **County Broadband Ohio** and the **Federal Communication Commission (FCC)** has identified as unserved or underserved with **speeds less than 100/20 megabits per second (mbps)**. These areas include the Townships of Springfield, Ross, Knox, Island Creek, Salem, and Wayne. Jefferson County intends to apply to the **Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) 2024 POWER Initiative Program for funding (\$2.5M maximum) to deploy Broadband as a Service (BaaS) with Fiber to the Premise (FTTP)**. Notification to existing providers is a requirement of said funding source. The Intent of this project is not to compete with incumbent providers in the area that provide reliable, high-speed service but to focus on unserved and underserved areas.

The mapping below illustrates the investment areas. If you have general questions or if any of the information is inaccurate or creates a concern, please respond, by emailing mikepap@bhjmpc.org by no later than noon on April 1, 2024. Demonstrate all disputes or concerns, with detailed information, data, and maps.

TARGETED INVESTMENT AREAS
(Map Display on Left)



UNSERVED & UNDERSERVED AREAS
(Map Display on Right)

