BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

CASF APPLICATION

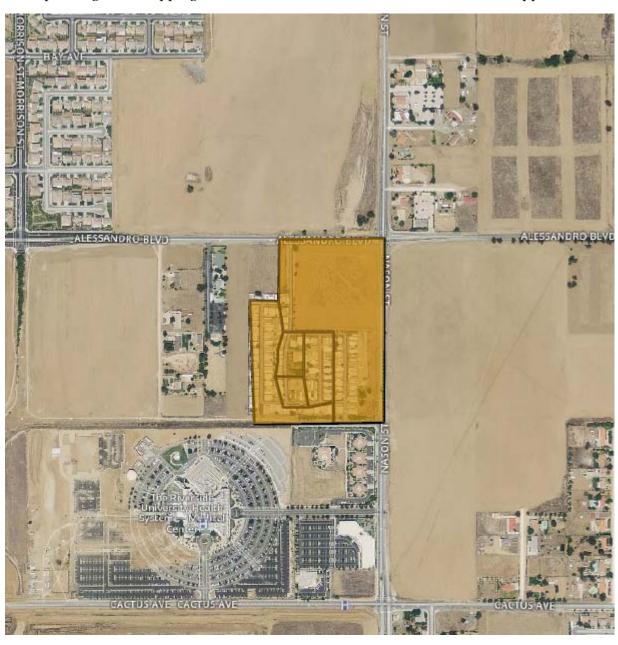
Country Squire Mobile Estates 26871 Alessandro Boulevard Moreno Valley, CA 92555 (Riverside County)

1. PROJECT SUMMARY (Distributed Publicly)

| Applicant's Name: | Charter Communications Operating, LLC (on behalf of its affiliated entities Spectrum Pacific West, LLC; Charter Fiberlink CA-CCO, LLC ("Charter Fiberlink") (U-6878-C); and Time Warner Cable Information Services (California), LLC ("TWCIS") (U-6874-C)). (hereafter referred to as "Charter") |
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| Contact Person: | Deborah Picciolo Senior Vice President, Field Operations Charter Communications 550 North Continental Boulevard, Field Operations El Segundo, CA 90245 (310) 647-5778 In addition to the above-identified key contact, questions concerning this application may be addressed to Charter's outside counsel: James W. McTarnaghan Perkins Coie LLP 505 Howard Street, Suite 1000 San Francisco, CA 94105 jmctarnaghan@perkinscoie.com (415) 344-7007 |
| Location: | Country Squire Mobile Home Park, 26871 Alessandro Boulevard, Moreno Valley, Riverside County, California |
| Project Type: | Last Mile |
| Funding Requested & Project Cost: | \$ 267,943.21 |

Project Area Map

Below is a depiction of the five census blocks to be served by the proposed project, encompassing the Country Squire Mobile Estates located at 26871 Alessandro Boulevard, Moreno Valley, Riverside County CA. See also the map at <u>Attachment H</u> and <u>Attachment I</u>, the corresponding .kmz mapping file included in the electronic submission of this application.



Description of the Project

Charter Communications Operating, LLC (on behalf of its affiliated entities Spectrum Pacific West, LLC; Charter Fiberlink CA-CCO, LLC (U-6878-C); Time Warner Cable Information Services (CA) LLC (U-6874-C) (hereinafter "Charter" or "Applicant") is applying for a grant of \$267,943.21 from the California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) Broadband Infrastructure Grant Account. With this funding, Charter will deploy 0.93 total miles of fiber and coax plant that will enable High Speed Internet services as well as Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) to 99 CASF-eligible households (representing a population of 291 as of 2018) that make up the Country Squire Mobile Estates located in Moreno Valley, Riverside County, California. The \$267,943.21 represents 100% of the projected cost of delivering service to these CASF-eligible households.

Currently, residents of the Country Squire Mobile Estates (Country Squire) have no service or may only obtain very slow DSL service. The maximum Mbps downstream and upstream speeds currently offered to households in one census is 0.128 Mbps and 1 Mbps, respectively. The remaining census blocks have no service. The Median Household Income for the Census Block Group in which the project area is located was \$ 74,899 in 2018.

With Charter's proposed project, the 99 CASF-eligible households will be able to choose between Spectrum products with speeds up to 940 Mbps download and 35 Mbps upload. Consumers will also be able to elect services at 400/20 or 100/10 speeds, and qualifying customers will be eligible for Spectrum Internet Assist with speeds of 30/4. The proposed project will serve only residential units. There are no anchor institutions or other public facilities that will be served as part of the project.

Charter's proposed project would involve installing a new underground .17 mile fiberoptic tie from the identified tie point to a new fiber node. The location of the new node is yet to be determined, but will likely be along the existing public right of way just outside the entrance to Country Squire. The node is a small above-ground structure roughly 36" high. A secondary aboveground structure will include a metered facility which will power the facilities.

From the new fiber node, Charter will deploy coaxial services to the households of Country Squire. This will involve both above-ground and underground mainline facilities that will run along each street within the property. The above-ground facilities consist of several small enclosures for amplifiers and pass devices such as subscriber taps. All coaxial cable will be undergrounded in new conduit. Charter will also run lateral underground conduit from the mainline to each of the 99 units. The new coaxial plant will total approximately .76 miles.

Charter understands that there may be current direct-buried power and phone-line infrastructure within the mobile home park, but, to the best of Charter's knowledge, such infrastructure is not available to Charter to share for fiber purposes.

The most conservative estimate of the project timeline is 256 total days. This does not account for overlapping of the design and private property approval stages, or several construction phases. Accounting for these overlapping phases, the project timeline could be 205 days or fewer.

The public interest factors that justify the 100% funding request include:

- The proposed build resides within an area that is currently not served by any form of wireline or wireless facilities-based broadband with speeds above 6/1. The only service available is slow DSL service.
- The project will provide a cost-effective expansion of broadband access to 65 CASF-eligible households.
- The project will connect to existing Charter nearby infrastructure thus avoiding additional costs for infrastructure outside of the project area.
- No other provider has submitted a CASF application for the project area.

Census Blocks Covered:

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Zip Codes Intersected:

92555

Other Issues:

Charter has requested waiver of the CASF Program requirements that a provider set fixed rates for a 24-month period and waive installation fees during that pricing commitment. Charter instead proposes that rates for services in the project area be the same as those offered to all other Charter customers in California and justifies its request for waiver by demonstrating that a separate billing operation would need to be established just for the project areas. Charter has indicated that this waiver is a precondition of its participation in the program and that consumers will be protected from rate increases and benefit from promotions by having the same rates as those available to all of Charter's California customers. Charter proposes that the installation fee waiver be applied during the first three months following completion of construction during which most customers are expected to sign up for services. Following that 3-month period, customers in the project area would be charged the same installation fee as charged to all other Charter California customers.