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ICYMI: What's in the Infrastructure Plan for Broadband

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As Congress considers President Trump's infrastructure plan, AAF's Will Rinehart considers the implications for broadband Internet expansion. Some parts of the president's plan could be used for broadband, Rinehart notes, but Congress should also consider several other reforms if it wants to encourage the expansion of broadband Internet.

An excerpt:

There are a number of relatively smaller items not included in the infrastructure plan that could accelerate broadband deployment.... Federal agencies often have varying and unpredictable fees and rates for companies that want to gain access to federal lands. If federal agencies were required to publish a public fee schedule that clearly outlined the costs associated with building on federal lands, then broadband providers could better estimate the costs of a potential project.

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