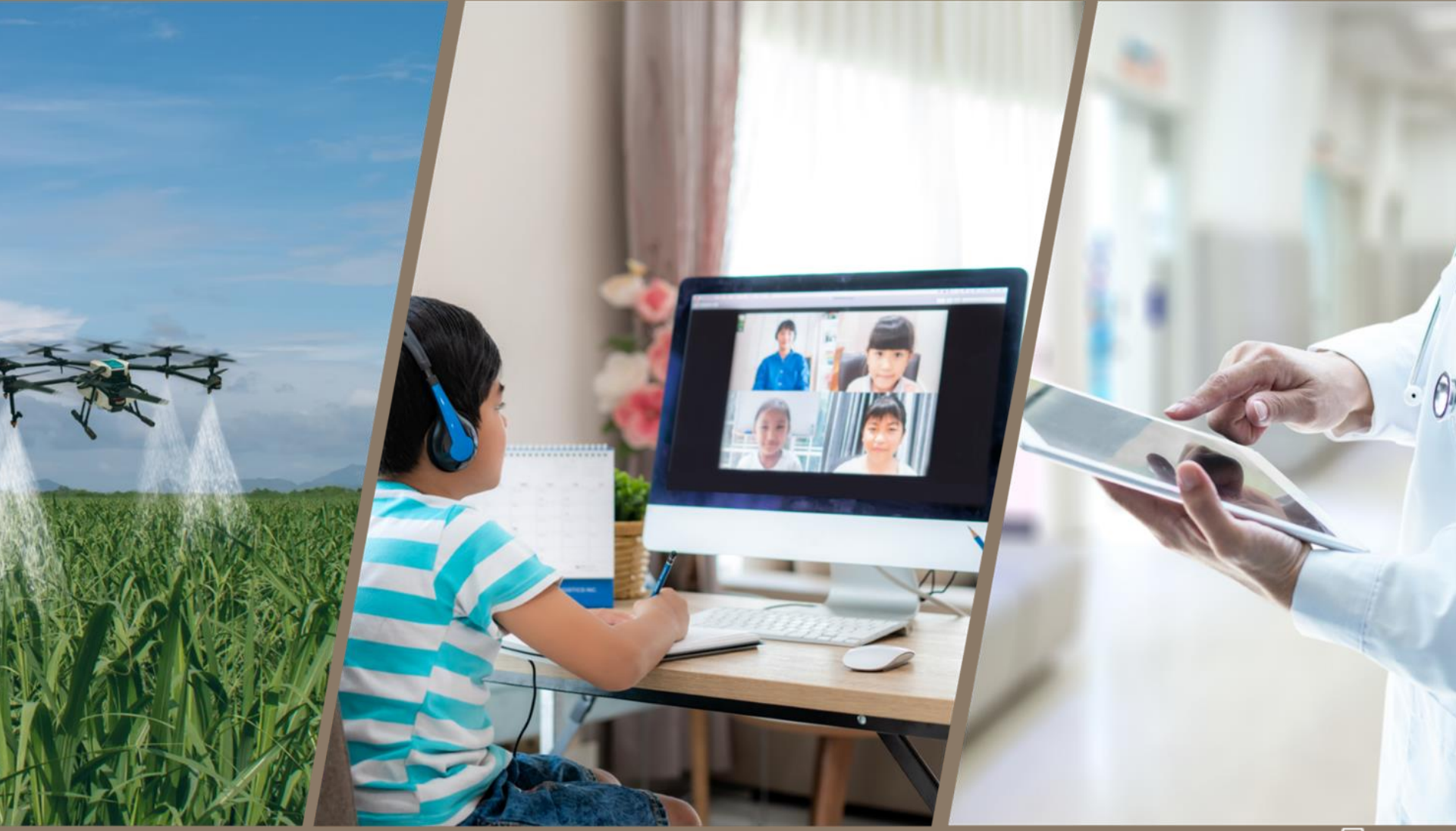

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2021 Petition Webinar

Agenda

- Petitioner Qualifications
- The Petition Process and Timeframe
- GBDI Petition Portal
- Submitting a Petition

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Welcome

- GBDI Team Members:
  - DCA:
    - Deana Perry, Executive Director
    - Jason Sell
    - Brittney Hickom
  - GTA:
    - Bill Price, Senior Analyst
  - CVIOG:
    - Eric McRae, Associate Director
  - CTC Engineering:
    - Andrew Afflerbach, CEO

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GBDI Petition Portal

The petition process opens June 21st and closes August 4th

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- 2021 Georgia Broadband Availability Map
- FCC vs Georgia Broadband Program Comparison
- Free Public Wifi
- Map Data
- Petition

Petition

The petition process allows eligible entities to subm… should be designated differently than what is shown on the Department …

Starting June 21, 2021, the Georgia Broadband Pro… lified individuals and organizations to petition changes to the Georgia Br… ys and closes on August 4, 2021. Upon receipt of a petition, DCA will render…

Please start the petition process as soon as possible … the required documentation.

The Petition Window is open from June 21, 2021 to August 4, 2021 (45 days)

Eligible Petitioners

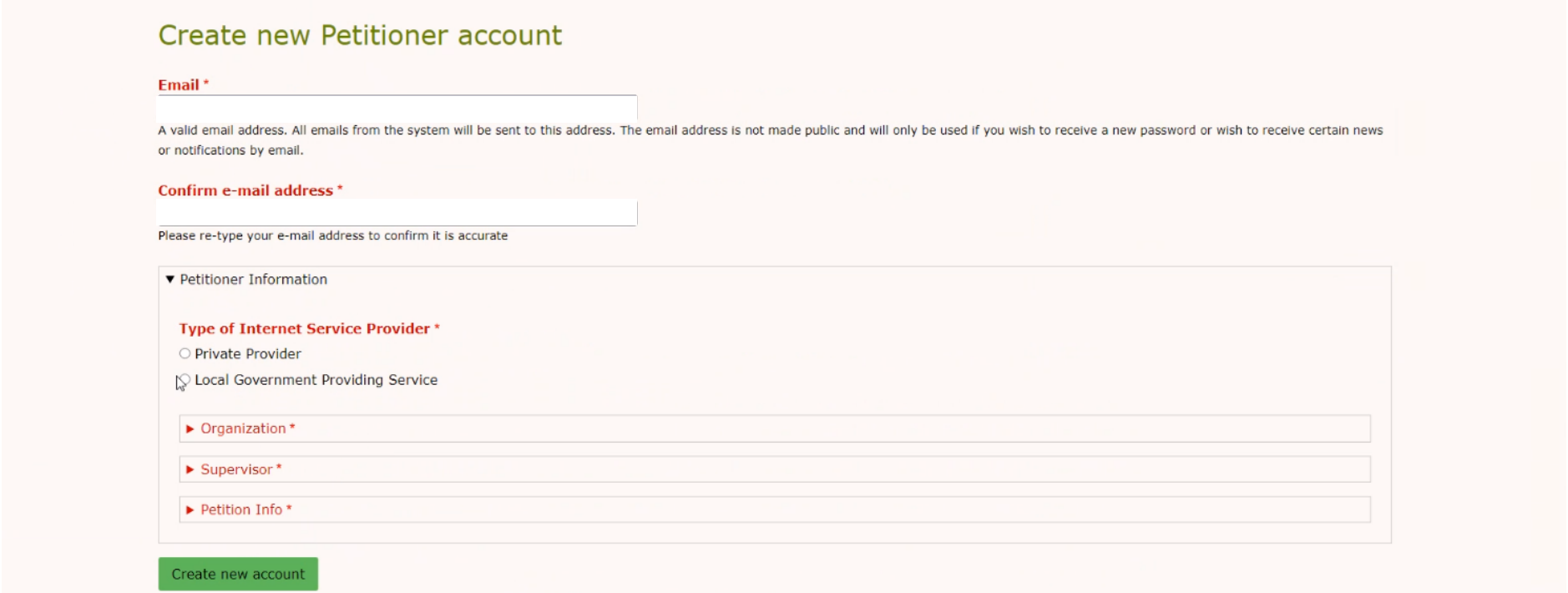
Per Georgia Code (O.C.G.A. 50-40-22), eligible petitioners include:

- Local governments providing broadband services
- Broadband service providers
- Entities providing broadband services that are authorized to apply for a certificate of authority pursuant to O.C.G.A. 45-5-163

Visit our website to register and click REGISTER HERE to begin

GBDI Petition Registration

Complete the application form in its entirety



You will be asked to indicate the counties that are affected by your petition

GBDI Petition Registration

Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email.
Please allow up to 5 business days for review and approval

Thank you for registering at Georgia Broadband Deployment Initiative. Your application for a petition account is currently pending approval. Once it has been approved, you will receive another email containing information about how to log in, set your password, and other details.

-- Georgia Broadband Deployment Initiative team

Once approved, you will receive an email with instructions on how to create an account. Follow the link to create an account and set your password.

Your petition account at Georgia Broadband Deployment Initiative has been activated.

You may now log in by clicking this link or copying and pasting it into your browser:

https://dev-itos-dca-broadband.pantheonsite.io/user/reset/119/1593544413/LXYd7dy3YOQOMT7NOXGBnTa6xGcaTfEN2SJ86k9mMqY

This link can only be used once to log in and will lead you to a page where you can set your password.

After setting your password, you will be able to log in at https://dev-itos-dca-broadband.pantheonsite.io/user in the future using:

username: mwilbur
password: Your password

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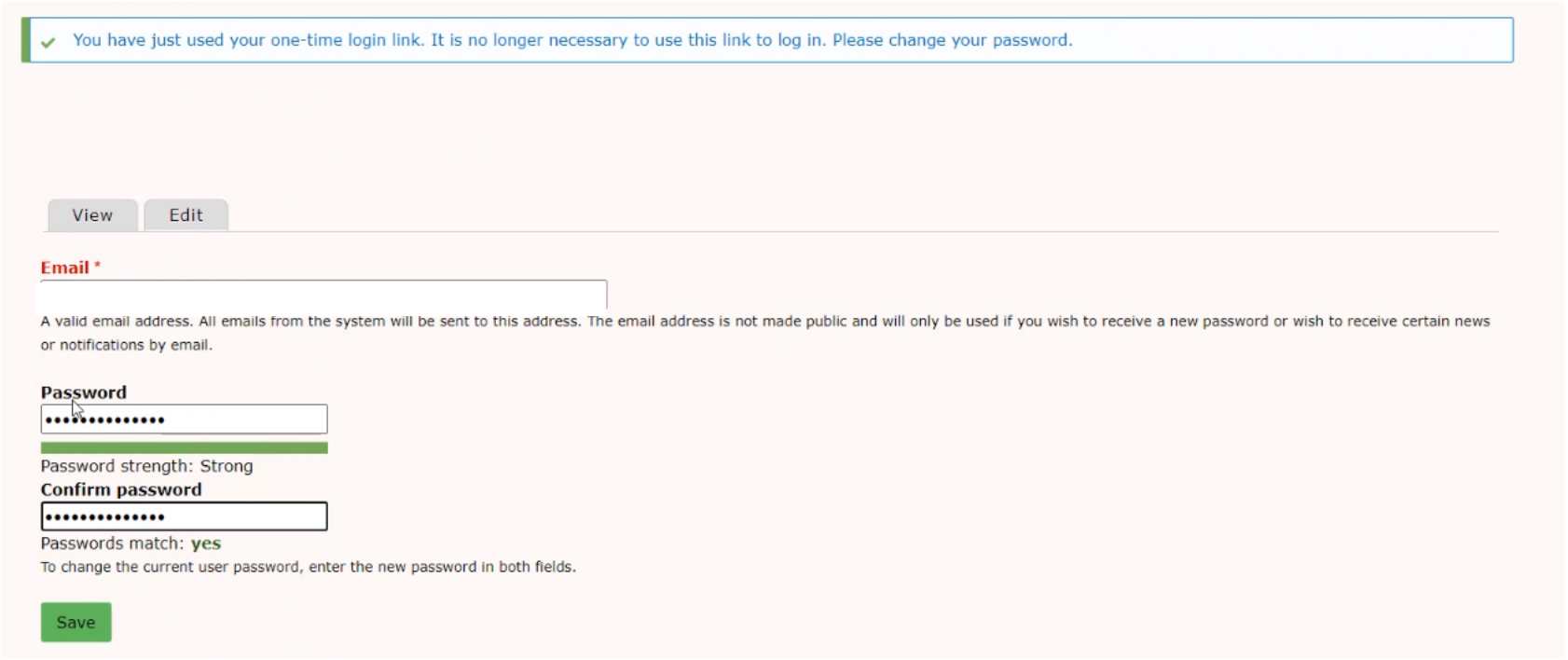
Once approved, you may create an account to begin the petition process



GBDI Petition Registration

Once you've created an account, you can access your Petition Dashboard

View | Roles | Edit | Submissions | Petitioner Information

Member for 1 year 2 months

Welcome Petitioner

Thank you for becoming a Petitioner with GBDI. If you would like to start the petition process or check the status of your Petition, please visit your Petition Dashboard. Please keep in mind that the Petition process will only stay open until 08/04/2021. If you have any questions about the process you may contact petition@dca.ga.gov.

My Petition Dashboard

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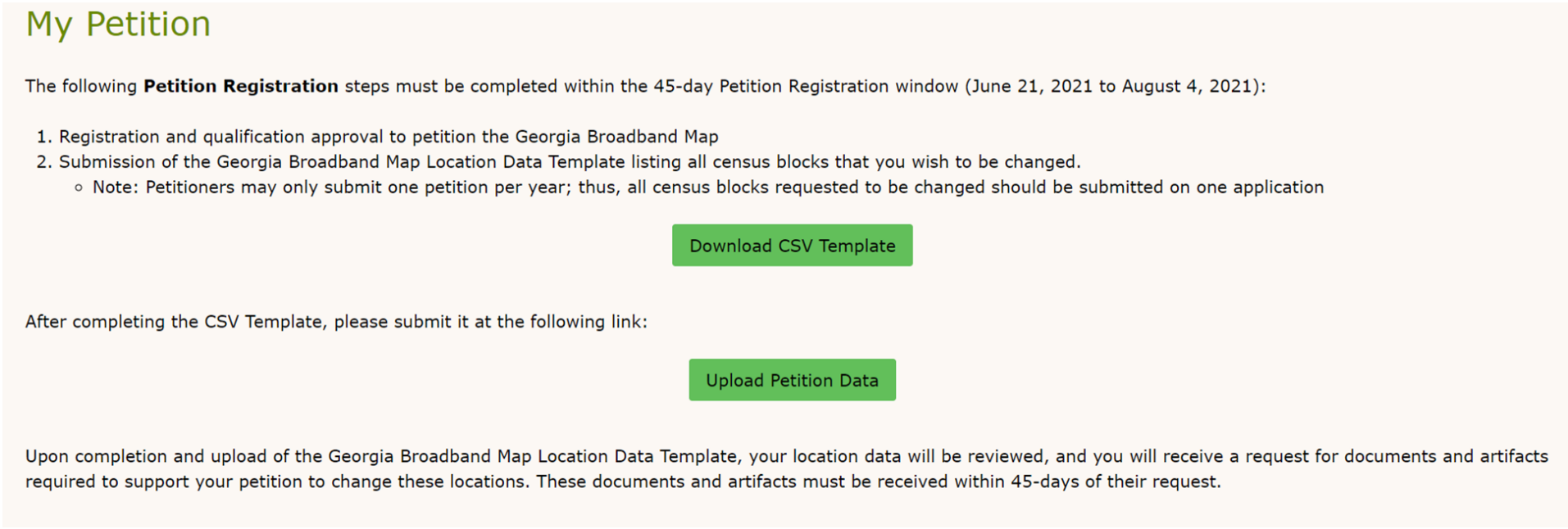
Once you've accessed the petition dashboard, download and complete the CSV template



Once you've completed the standard template and assembled all required documentation, upload your documents via the Petition Dashboard

Two petition scenarios

Scenario 1: Proving an area classified as unserved is served

Scenario 2: Proving an area classified as served is unserved

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Petition Process: Scenario 1

Proving an area classified as unserved is served

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Petition process for Scenario 1: Proving an area classified as unserved is served

Petitioner responds to questions in template

GIS/KMZ map required

Field photos required as evidence

Speed tests required from at least two locations

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Scenario 1: Proving an area classified as unserved is served – sample data in Excel template

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	Name of Provider:							
2	County:							
3	Census Block Number (15 digits):							
4	Number of locations in block:							
5	Number of locations in block where provider delivers current service or can deliver service within 10 days of request:							
6	Service type available to the locations in the census block within 10 days of request: (1) Fiber to the premises (2) Hybrid Fiber-Coxial (3) Vectored VDSL2 (4) Non-Vectored VDSL2 (5) VDSL (6) ADSL2+ (7) ADSL2 (8) Other (please describe)	3						
7	Provide maximum distance in feet from CO or DSLAM to the locations in census block that the provider can serve within 10 days of request:							
8	Provide manufacturer of DSLAM:							
9	Provide model number of DSLAM:							
10	Provide manufacturer of DSL modem at customer locations:							
11	Provide model number of DSL modem at customer locations:							
12	Indicate whether service is provided on a (1) single pair (2) bonded pair							
13	Indicate if there is an amplifier between the DSLAM and the customer location:							
14	Indicate gauge of cable:							

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Scenario 1: Proving an area classified as unserved is served – map request

- GIS shapefile, KMZ or KML map of that includes the census block and the entire cable route from the census block to the central office/wire center or hub facility
- Include:
  - Census block boundary
  - Central office or hub facility
  - Physical medium of the cable
  - DSLAMs, remote terminals, OLTs or nodes along the route
- Within the census block include:
  - All locations you serve
  - All locations you do not serve but are capable of serving within 10 days of a request
  - All cable routes
  - Tap locations

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Scenario 1: Proving an area classified as unserved is served – geolocated photographs

- Geolocated photographs in JPG format with Exif data included
- Ten drop installations and/or service taps in the census block that are evenly distributed
  - If aerial, a photo of the drop or tap on the pole with an arrow identifying it, and include all the communications attachments on the pole in the photo
  - If underground, provide a photo of the tap with the pedestal cover or vault cover removed
- If DSL, the DSLAM or remote terminal electronics serving the locations in the census block
- If hybrid fiber-coaxial, the node serving the locations in the census block
- If fiber-to-the-premises, the OLT serving the locations in the census block

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Scenario 1: Proving an area classified as unserved is served – speed test data from customer premises

	A	B	C	D
1	**Requirement: One week of upstream and downstream speed tests performed hourly 6pm to 12am**			
2				
3	**Provider:**			
4	**County:**			
5	**Census Block Number (15 digits)**			
6	**Test Address:**			
7	**Remote Server Location:**			
8	**Technology type (cable, DSL, fiber):**			
9	**Test method (refer to FCC DA 18-710):** **(1) MBA testing** **(2) Existing network management system and tools** **(3) Provider-developed self-testing configuration using TR-143 standard**			
10				
11				
12	**Date:**	**Start Time:**	**Downstream (Mbps):**	**Upstream (Mbps):**
13				

Template | Test Point One Data | Test Point Two Data | DSL Maximum Distances

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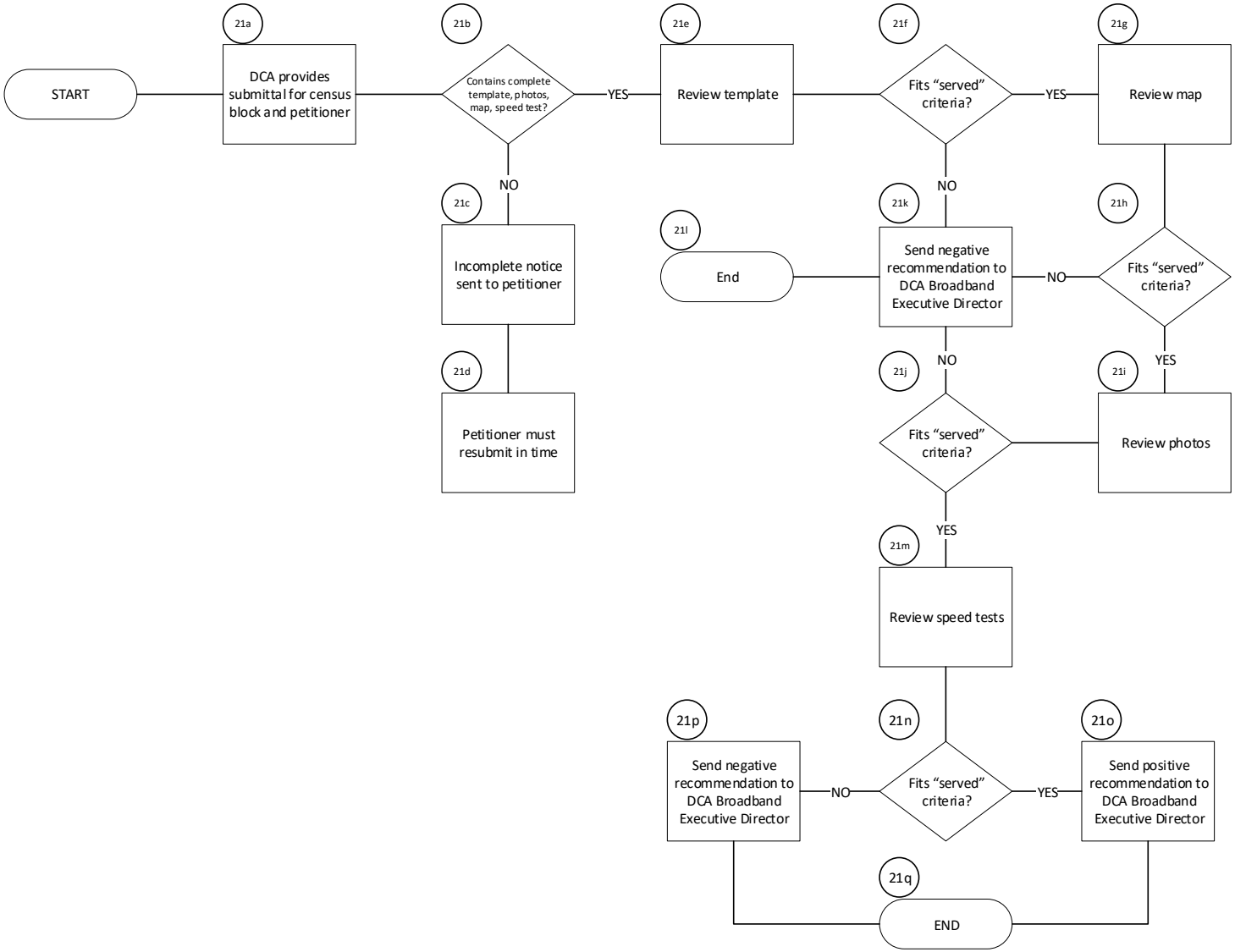
Scenario 1: Process flowchart



Petition Process: Scenario 2

Proving an area classified as served is unserved

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Two categories of Scenario 2: Proving an area classified as served is unserved

Category A

- Petitioner incorrectly identified a census block as served; wants to correct the error

Category B

- Petitioner does not serve the census block but has knowledge of an area and strongly believes it is not served

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Petition process for Scenario 2: Proving an area classified as served is unserved – correcting a mistake

Relatively trivial requirement

Petitioner identified in map can correct the claim

Redesignation also depends on whether another provider serves the area

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Petition process for Scenario 2: Proving an area classified as served is unserved – challenging the map

More challenging process

Petitioner must provide information for DCA to evaluate

DCA contacts providers that claim to serve census block

Provider might agree to redesignation

DCA may identify census block as disputed – conduct additional analysis

DCA may later conduct on-site inspection

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Scenario 2: Proving an area classified as served is unserved – evidence required

Data in Excel template

GIS shapefile, KMZ, or KML map

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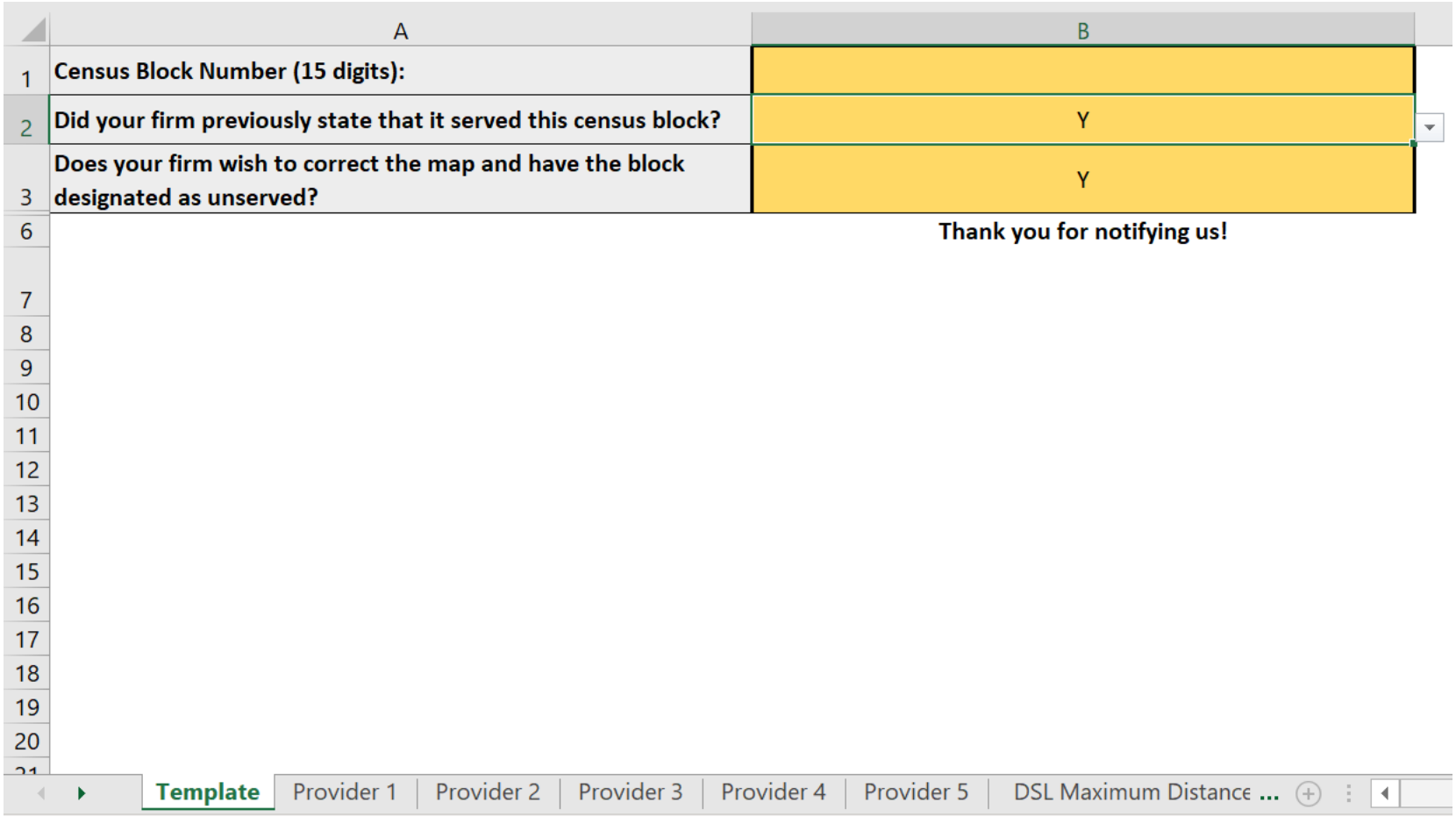
Scenario 2: Proving an area classified as served is unserved – correcting a mistake



	A	B
1	Census Block Number (15 digits):	
2	Did your firm previously state that it served this census block?	Y
3	Does your firm wish to correct the map and have the block designated as unserved?	Y
6		Thank you for notifying us!

Template | Provider 1 | Provider 2 | Provider 3 | Provider 4 | Provider 5 | DSL Maximum Distance ...

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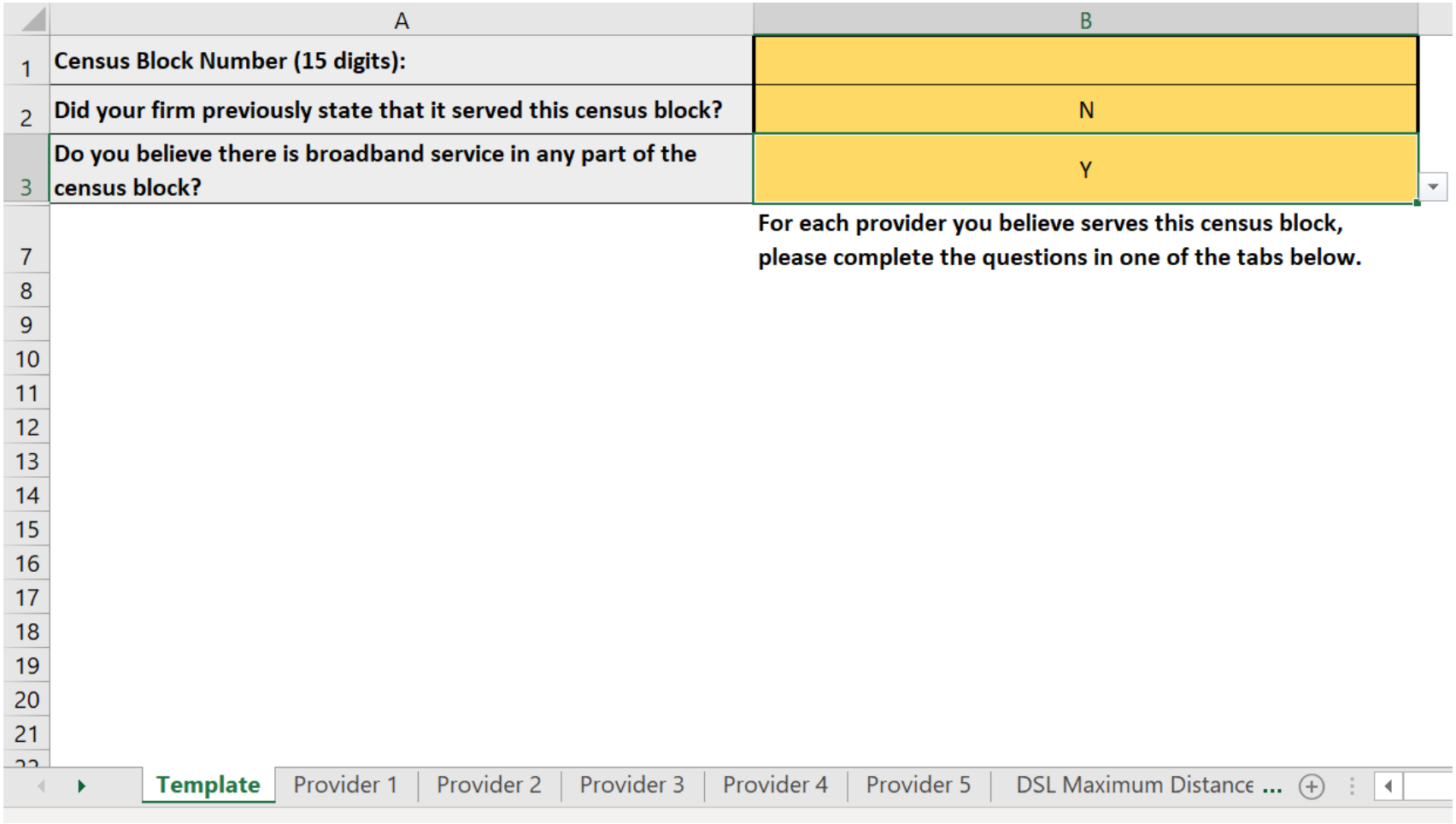
Scenario 2: Proving an area classified as served is unserved – challenging the map



	A	B
1	Census Block Number (15 digits):	
2	Did your firm previously state that it served this census block?	N
3	Do you believe there is broadband service in any part of the census block?	Y
7		For each provider you believe serves this census block, please complete the questions in one of the tabs below.

Template | Provider 1 | Provider 2 | Provider 3 | Provider 4 | Provider 5 | DSL Maximum Distance ...

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Scenario 2: Proving an area classified as served is unserved – challenging the map

	A	B
1	**Name of petitioner:**	
2	**Number of locations in block:**	
3	**Number of locations in block that petitioner believes provider serving the area is able to deliver service within 10 days of request:**	
4	**Service type petitioner believes provider provides to the locations in the census block within 10 days of request:** **(1) Fiber to the premises** **(2) Hybrid Fiber-Coxial** **(3) Vectored VDSL2** **(4) Non-Vectored VDSL2** **(5) VDSL** **(6) ADSL2+** **(7) ADSL2** **(8) Other (please describe)**	

Provide a GIS shapefile, KMZ or KML map of that includes the census block and the entire cable route from the census block to the central office, wire center or hub facility. Include the following:

- -Census block boundary
- -Central office or hub facility
- -Physical medium of the cable from the central office or hub to the census block, identifying if and where it transitions from fiber to copper or coaxial
- -DSLAMs or remote terminals along the route
- -Within the census block include and identify the following:
  - -All locations provider serves
  - -All locations provider does not serve but is capable of serving within 10 days of a request
  - -All cable routes
    - -identifying physical medium and if and when it transitions from fiber to copper or coaxial)
    - -identifying whether aerial or underground
    - -if DSL, identifying gauge of wire

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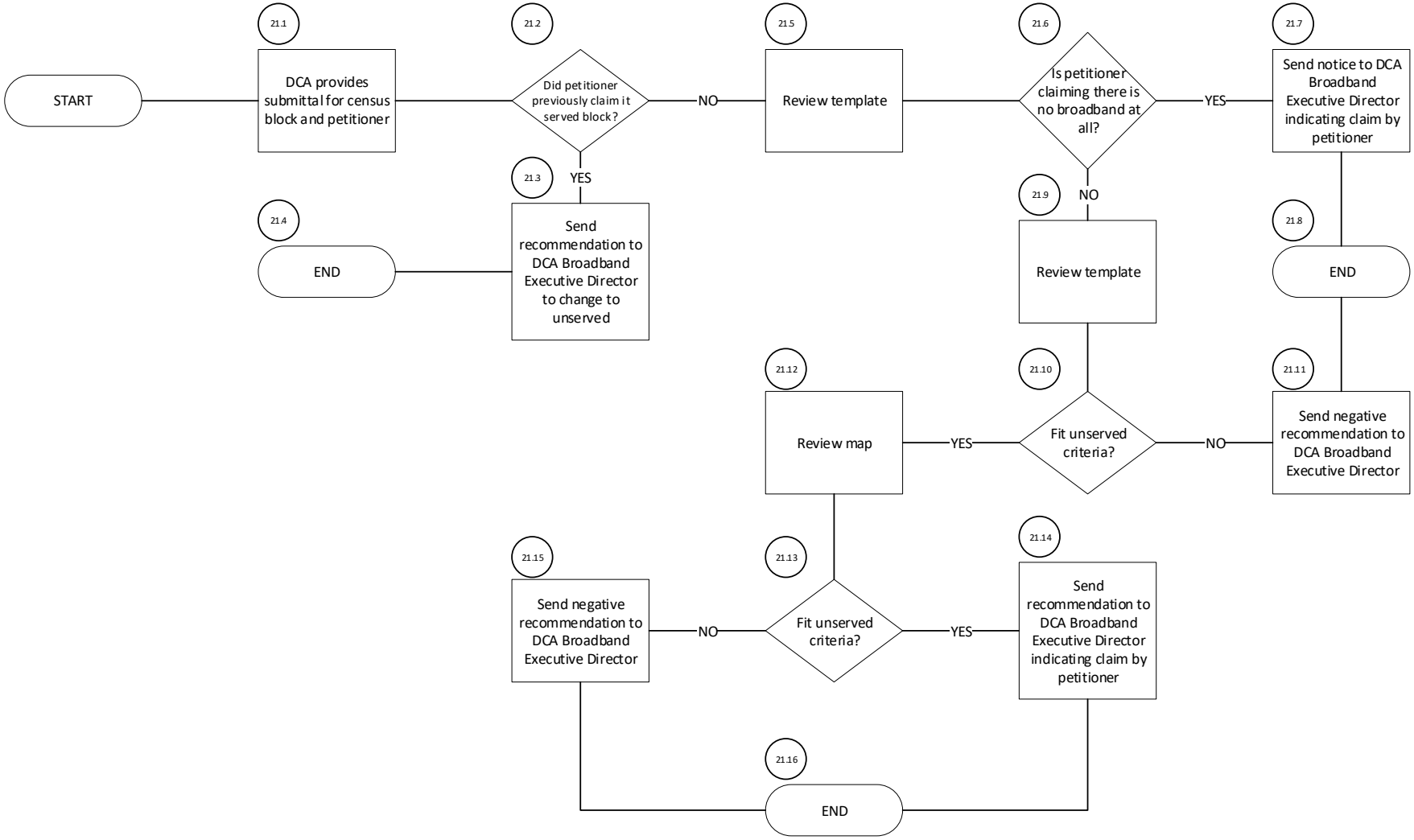
Scenario 2: Process flowchart



Official Signature

By authorized person at Petitioner

Stating information is true to best of knowledge

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GBDI Petition Submission

All petition artifacts must be received no later than August 4, 2021

Create Petition

Please upload your supporting documents and artifacts for your approved map location data, using the upload dashboard below. Please note that you are responsible for making sure all requested information has been submitted. If the requested information is not received by August 4, 2021 then the petition process will be closed without change

Petition Evidence

Show row weights

File information	Operations
test_1a.txt	Remove

Add a new file

Choose Files No file chosen

Unlimited number of files can be uploaded to this field.

100 MB limit.

Allowed types: doc docx xls xlsx ppt pptx txt rtf zip pdf csv.

You can monitor the status of your petition anytime

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Your petition is being processed

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Thank you for submitting a petition to the Georgia Broadband Deployment Initiative. You will be notified when your petition is updated by the DCA Team.

Link to Petition: https://dev-itos-dca-broadband.pantheonsite.io/node/341

--DCA Broadband Initiative Team

DCA will render a decision on the status of your petition within 75 days of your submission

Your petit[illegible]g reviewed by the DCA team

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Your petition with the DCA Broadband Deployment Initiative is now being reviewed. You will receive an email with more information about its approval status.

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Contact Us

- Please stay on mute during the presentation
- If you have a question, please leave it in the chat section of the webinar
- If you have any questions or concerns not addressed during the presentation, you may also contact us at petition@dca.ga.gov

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