

## **REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

### **HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MEETING DATE:** July 15, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Broadband Stimulus Funding

**ATTACHMENTS:** No

#### **SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

As the Board of Commissioners may be aware, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 has appropriated \$7.2 billion and directed the Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service (RUS) and the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications Information Administration (NTIA) to expand broadband access to un-served and underserved communities across the U.S., increase jobs, spur investments in technology and infrastructure, and provide long-term economic benefits. The programs developed through the Act will make loans and grants for broadband infrastructure projects in rural areas, public computer centers and sustainable broadband adoption projects.

Because staff continues to gather updated information regarding this broadband stimulus funding, we have not attached information to the agenda item. However, more detailed information will be presented and distributed during the meeting.

#### **BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

This agenda item is being presented as information only and no board action is required at this time.

#### **Suggested Motion:**

*No suggested motion at this time.*