

Louisiana Planning District 5

RESOLUTION NO. 2307

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (SWLA-RPC) FOR LOUISIANA PLANNING DISTRICT 5 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING MICHAEL HOLLIER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SIGNATURE TO SIGN REQUESTS FOR ADVANCE OR REIMBURSEMENT FORMS WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA) RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE (RUS) BROADBAND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AWARD.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Southwest Louisiana Regional Planning Commission has approved and adopted the Bayou Broadband Initiative for Southwest Louisiana; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Commission has budgeted and dedicated necessary available resources in conjunction with the broadband initiative to sustain and advance technology communication infrastructure and operations throughout the five-parish region; AND

WHEREAS, the Southwest Louisiana Regional Planning Commission has facilitated service expansion for fiber optics and broadband development in both the public and private sectors to enhance capacity and affordability; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Commission agrees to comply with all State and Federal regulations for contracts which they enter into; AND

WHEREAS, the Commission has the authority by State statue to enter in and carry out State and Federal contracts; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Commission has received notification from the U. S. Department of Agriculture Rural Utilities Service (RUS) for a broadband technical assistance award under Agreement Contract No. RD-RU-COOP-25-39;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING MICHAEL HOLLIER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SIGNATURE TO SIGN REQUESTS FOR ADVANCE OR REIMBURSEMENT FORMS WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA) RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE (RUS) BROADBAND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AWARD.

THIS RESOLUTION BEING APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THE 18TH DAY OF JUNE 2025.

Jacob Dillehay, Chair

ATTEST: Michael Hallier