

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Performance Progress Report

2. Award or Grant Number

02-50-M09071

4. Report Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

07-02-2013

1. Recipient Name

Connected Nation, Inc.- Alaska

6. Reporting Period End Date:

06-30-2013

3. Street Address

1020 College Street,

5. City, State, Zip Code

Bowling Green, KY 42102-3448

**7a. Project / Grant Period
Start Date: (MM/DD/YYYY)**

06-01-2010

7b. End Date: (MM/DD/YYYY)

05-31-2015

8. Designated Entity on Behalf of:

The State of Alaska

9. List the individual projects in your approved project plan

	Project Type (Data Collection, Capacity Building, Technical Assistance, etc.)	Project Name (if different from Project Type)	Total Federal Funding Amount	Total Federal Funding Amount expended at the end of this reporting period	Percent of Total Federal Funding amount expended
1	Data Collection	N/A	3,040,701	2,095,437	69%
2	Capacity Building	N/A	774,013	449,322	58%
3	Technical Assistance	N/A	1,637,487	760,347	46%
4	Application Usage and Development	N/A	925,997	165,491	18%
5	N/A	N/A	0	0	
6	N/A	N/A	0	0	
			\$6,378,198	\$3,470,597	54%

10. Personnel

10a. If the project is not fully staffed, describe how any lack of staffing may impact the project's timeline and when the project will be fully staffed.

N/A, this project is fully staffed.

10b. Staffing Table			
Job Title	FTE %	Project(s) Assigned	Change
Outreach & Awareness Specialist 1	3	Application Usage	No Change
Program Coordinator	62	Application Usage	No Change
Manager Program Support	10	Capacity Building	No Change
Partnership Manager	1	Capacity Building	No Change
President & COO	7	Capacity Building	No Change
Program Coordinator	5	Capacity Building	No Change
Program Manager	13	Capacity Building	No Change
Project Manager 4	4	Capacity Building	No Change
State Services Sr. Specialist	8	Capacity Building	No Change
Broadband Planning Manager 1	9	Data Collection	No Change
Broadband Planning Manager 2	7	Data Collection	No Change
Business Affairs Intern	14	Data Collection	No Change
Business Programmer Analyst	3	Data Collection	No Change
CAI Manager	2	Data Collection	No Change
Chief Policy Counsel	4	Data Collection	No Change
Compliance Coordinator	5	Data Collection	No Change
Contract Compliance Manager	5	Data Collection	No Change
ETS Analyst 1	48	Data Collection	No Change
ETS Analyst 2	15	Data Collection	No Change
ETS Manager	18	Data Collection	No Change
GIS Analyst 1	1	Data Collection	No Change

GIS Analyst 2	23	Data Collection	No Change
GIS Services Manager	3	Data Collection	No Change
Grants Management Officer	7	Data Collection	No Change
Outreach & Awareness Intern	2	Data Collection	No Change
Outreach & Awareness Manager	7	Data Collection	No Change
Outreach & Awareness Specialist 2	9	Data Collection	No Change
Outreach & Awareness Specialist 3	14	Data Collection	No Change
Outreach & Awareness Specialist 1	12	Data Collection	No Change
Outreach & Awareness Specialist 4	18	Data Collection	No Change
Project Coordinator	1	Data Collection	No Change
Project Management Director	7	Data Collection	No Change
Project Manager 2	2	Data Collection	No Change
Project Manager 3	4	Data Collection	No Change
Project Manager 1	53	Data Collection	No Change
Provider Relations Manager	3	Data Collection	No Change
State & Local Program Director	9	Data Collection	No Change
CAI Manager	1	Technical Assistance	No Change
Program Coordinator	25	Technical Assistance	No Change
Program Manager	13	Technical Assistance	No Change
Research & GIS Analyst	1	Technical Assistance	No Change
Research Analyst 1	13	Technical Assistance	No Change
Research Analyst 2	2	Technical Assistance	No Change

Research Analyst 3	1	Technical Assistance	No Change
Research Manager	14	Technical Assistance	No Change

11. Subcontracts

11a. Subcontracts Table - Include all subcontractors. The totals from this table equal the "Subcontracts Total" from the Program Budget Worksheet (Q. 12, Column 2, 3, and 4)

Name	Subcontract Purpose	RFP Issued (Y/N)	Contract Executed (Y/N)	Start Date	End Date	Total Federal Funds Allocated	Total Matching Funds Allocated	Project and % Assigned (Example: Data Collection 75)	
Thoroughbred Research Group	Data Collection	Yes	Yes	02/09/2010	08/31/2013	93,510	0	Data Collection	20
Thoroughbred Research Group	Technical Assistance	Yes	Yes	02/09/2010	08/31/2013	383,317	0	Technical Assistance	80
ETS Contract Labor	Data Collection	No	Yes	06/01/2010	05/31/2015	180,021	158,704	Data Collection	100
GIS Consultants	Data Collection	Yes	Yes	06/01/2010	05/31/2015	15,462	0	Data Collection	100
Legal Consultants	Data Collection	No	Yes	06/01/2010	05/31/2015	30,690	21,170	Data Collection	51
Legal Consultants	Technical Assistance	No	Yes	06/01/2010	05/31/2015	29,833	14,917	Technical Assistance	49
Reed Systems	Technical Assistance	No	Yes	03/27/2012	12/01/2012	60,000	0	Technical Assistance	100
Hosting	Data Collection	No	No	06/01/2010	03/31/2012	38,683	0	Data Collection	100
Various	Technical Assistance	No	No	06/01/2010	05/31/2015	17,508	0	Technical Assistance	100
Various	Data Collection	No	No	06/01/2010	05/31/2015	13,310	0	Data Collection	100
State of Alaska	Technical Assistance	No	No	06/01/2010	05/31/2015	206,316	125,000	Technical Assistance	29
State of Alaska	Application Usage and	No	No	06/01/2010	05/31/2015	500,000	0	Application Usage and	71

11b. Describe any challenges encountered with vendors or subrecipients.

Last quarter, The University of Alaska Anchorage Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER) and Connected Nation (CN) extended the existing ISER sub-award agreement set to expire

this quarter. However, during the quarter the Alaska Broadband Task Force expressed a desire to keep ISER's sub-award current in order to fulfill additional research for the Task Force and their broadband plan. A pre-determined expiration could not be accurately estimated and in order to dissuade multiple and continual extensions, the sub-award was extended for the life of the grant.

Within the Q3 2012 Performance Progress Report (PPR), Connect Alaska presented two sub-recipient organizations in the Subcontracts Table totaling \$233,684. Per clarification received by the National Telecommunication and Information Administration's (NTIA) State Broadband Initiatives' (SBI) program office, funds designated for sub-awards should be classified and included within the "Other" budget category. As a result of this clarification, Connect Alaska removed the two sub-recipients from the Subcontracts Table in Q4 2012 PPR and continues to show a variance in the federal funds awarded between the subcontracts table (above) and the subcontracts line item on the Budget Worksheet of \$233,684. To address this variance, program staff have been working with the NTIA program office in an effort to prepare a budget modification request.

12. Budget worksheet						
Columns 2, 3, and 4 will match your current project budget for your entire award, which is the SF-424A on file. Only list matching funds that the Department of Commerce has already approved.						
Project Budget Element	Federal Funds Awarded	Approved Matching Funds	Total Budget	Federal Funds Expended	Approved Matching Funds Expended	Total Funds Expended
Personnel Salaries	\$1,661,362	\$113,635	\$1,774,997	\$1,049,127	\$914	\$1,050,041
Personnel Fringe Benefits	\$356,364	\$24,513	\$380,877	\$226,761	\$196	\$226,957
Travel	\$436,598	\$0	\$436,598	\$161,294	\$583	\$161,877
Equipment	\$132,432	\$0	\$132,432	\$84,457	\$0	\$84,457
Materials / Supplies	\$47,610	\$0	\$47,610	\$48,517	\$0	\$48,517
Subcontracts Total	\$1,802,334	\$319,791	\$2,122,125	\$470,057	\$149,274	\$619,331
Construction	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other	\$201,988	\$1,110,343	\$1,312,331	\$488,921	\$838,371	\$1,327,292
Total Direct Costs	\$4,638,688	\$1,568,282	\$6,206,970	\$2,529,134	\$989,338	\$3,518,472
Total Indirect Costs	\$1,739,510	\$30,000	\$1,769,510	\$941,463	\$1,257	\$942,720
Total Costs	\$6,378,198	\$1,598,282	\$7,976,480	\$3,470,597	\$990,595	\$4,461,192
% of Total	80	20	100	78	22	100
13. Hardware / Software						
<p>13a. List any hardware/software purchased during this reporting period. New purchases this quarter include the following: - Computers & Software - \$1,162</p> <p>Hardware/Software purchases for the project to date include the following: - Interactive Mapping Application - \$70,329 - GIS Software & Maintenance - \$6,422 - Computers & Software - \$26,041 - Speed Test Software - \$5,476 - Google Earth Pro - \$585 - Multiple dedicated storage servers and backup replication solution - \$1,975</p>						
<p>13b. Please note any hardware/software that has yet to be purchased and explain why it has not been purchased.</p> <p>Remaining purchases may include SQL server for mapping geodatabase, SQL server software, multiple dedicated storage servers, security application, additional backup replication solution, computers, a spectrum analyzer, GPS units, interactive map upgrades/maintenance, ArcInfo/ArcGIS maintenance, and speed test updates as well as computers and software maintenance. These items will only be purchased if necessary for the successful completion of the project.</p>						
14. SBI PPR Project Attachment (Skip question 14b if Data Collection is your only project).						

- 14a. Complete a SBI PPR Project Data Collection Attachment and attach it to the PPR.
- 14b. Complete a SBI PPR Attachment for each additional funded project and attach it to the PPR.

15. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purpose set forth in the award documents.

15a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official

Bernie Bogle

Grants Management Officer

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15b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official

Submitted Electronically

15e. Date Report Submitted
(MM/DD/YYYY)

07-29-2013