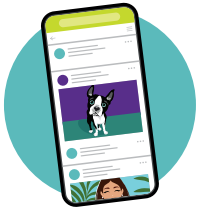


# Wireless Infrastructure Reforms Drive Investment and Connectivity Across the U.S.



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“Private companies want the green light to build, but nothing happens because of bureaucratic red tape. That is why we’ve made clearing regulatory barriers and unleashing high-speed builds a centerpiece of our Build America Agenda.”

— **Brendan Carr**  
FCC Chairman

5G wireless networks support economic growth and innovation. Wireless providers have invested \$219B since the launch of 5G, and those networks now cover more than 330 million people. America’s 5G progress has been aided by key policy actions by the federal government, including critical FCC siting reforms during the previous Trump Administration.

The FCC should build on its prior siting reforms and take steps to streamline federal, state, and local permitting reviews to speed wireless deployment, reach more consumers, and meet surging demand for everything wireless.

## FCC Siting Reforms Have Proven Essential to Connect More Communities

The FCC’s previous siting reforms enabled rapid and efficient rollout of 5G infrastructure while preserving local government autonomy. In rural and hard-to-serve areas, the reforms and resulting deployments helped bridge the digital divide, including with 5G home broadband services.

## Expanding Siting Reforms Will Increase Capacity to Support Growing Demand

The FCC should act promptly on its Wireless Siting NPRM, building on its previous reforms to ensure additional wireless facilities can be deployed and upgraded without undue costs, conditions, or delays. By setting common sense guardrails for siting reviews, the FCC can help wireless providers meet unprecedented growth in consumer data usage.

## Modernizing Environmental and Historic Preservation Reviews Will Speed Next-Gen Wireless Buildout

Congress, the Administration, and the Supreme Court agree that permitting reviews should not be a roadblock to infrastructure deployment. The FCC should act swiftly on its NEPA NPRM, modernizing the scope of its environmental and historic preservation rules and ensuring that permitting reviews follow clear timelines and predictable standards.

## Access to Light Poles Is Critical for Cell Siting

As wireless providers continue to build and upgrade 5G networks nationwide, access to existing poles—including light poles—will help increase capacity through network densification and expand competitive 5G home broadband offerings. The wireless industry has urged the FCC to clarify that its Section 224 rules apply to utility-owned light poles.