



HEADWATERS TECH HUB

SMART PHOTONIC SENSING

EDA Technology Hub

Update as of 10/11/2023

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Regional Technology Hub Phase I

On August 15, 2023, the Montana University System in Partnership with Industry, State Government, and the Montana Chamber finalized and submitted Phase 1 applications includes two separate five-page proposals.

1. A strategy development grant of \$500,000 to prepare for Phase 2
2. The request for EDA to designate the Headwaters Regional as a Technology Hub.

Only those applicants designated in Phase 1 will be eligible to compete for Phase 2 funding.



THE HEADWATERS TECH HUB

Phase 1: Application

\$500,000 PLANNING GRANT

Phase 2: Implementation

\$75,000,000 (2 YEARS)

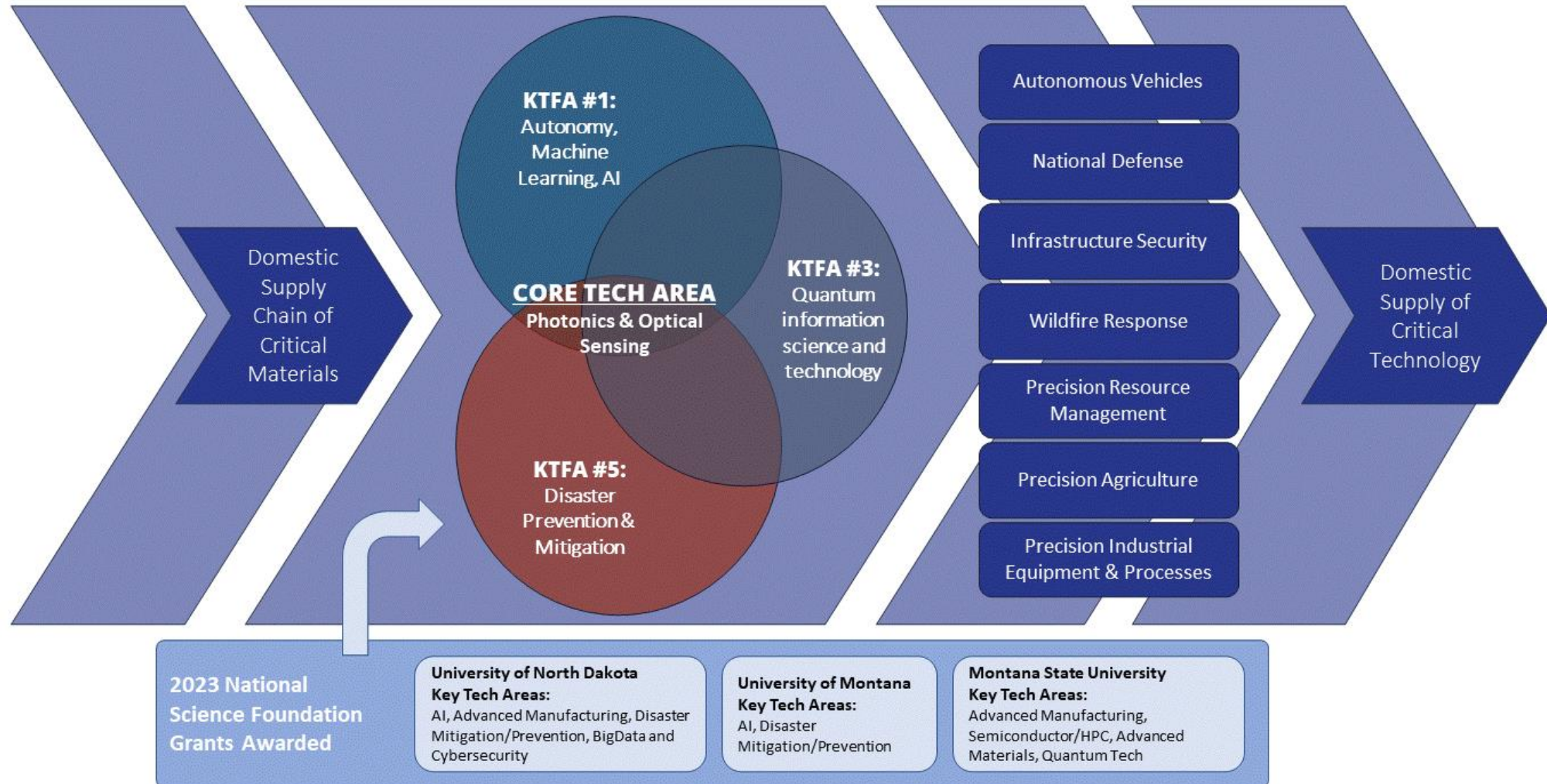
\$7.5 - 15mil+ INDUSTRY MATCH

Phase 3: Operations

\$500,000,000 (10 YEARS)

\$575,500,000
12 YEARS

Focus for the Headwaters Hub



Three Main Authors for the Applications



Representing 18 Key Consortium Members and 87 Organizations



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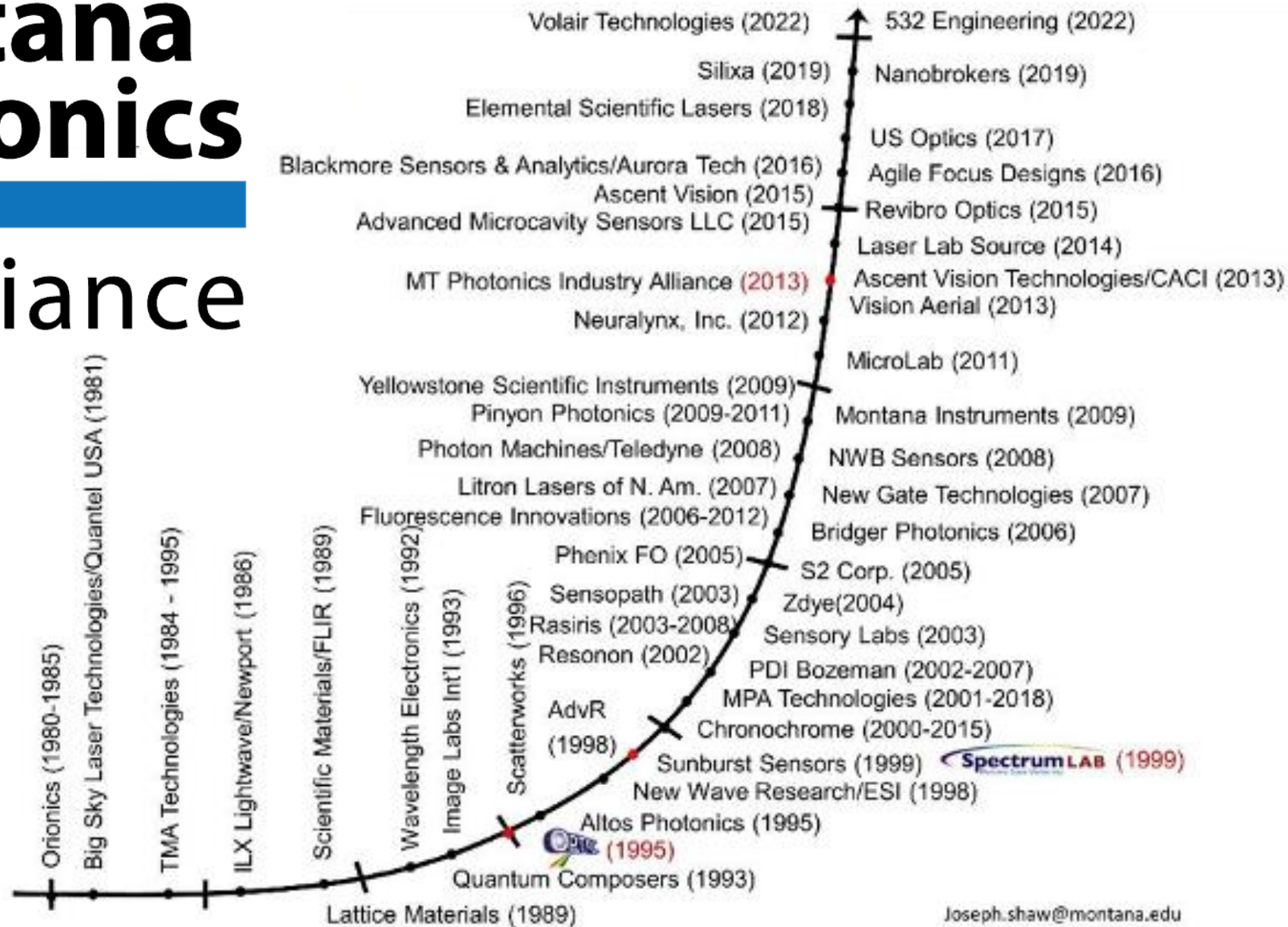
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Timeline

- Expect Regional Technology Hub Phase 1 Announcement this Fall
 - \$500,000 Grant
 - Designation – enters you for Phase 2
- Expect Phase 2 Application due Spring 2024 (a minimum of 5 awards)





U.S. Economic Development
Administration

247 unique consortia members:

124 applications for both
Designation and Strategy
Development Grants

68 applications for a Tech
Hubs Designation only

55 applications for Strategy
Development Grants only

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THANK YOU

QUESTIONS???

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