

Broadband Program

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Community Awareness Information

About the Program

Beaver County continues to advance its Broadband Program to bring high-speed Internet to County residents without access to service. The County awarded Verizon to deploy high-speed fiber-optic broadband service by the end of 2026 to nearly 2,000 eligible Beaver County locations. Additionally, recent investments awarded by the Pennsylvania Broadband Development Authority (PBDA) will allow Comcast to reach more than 600 locations - all of whom were previously without access to Internet at qualifying broadband speeds. These efforts complement Connect Beaver County's now-completed Early Action Projects (EAPs) performed by Armstrong and Kinetic in the northwest and southeast areas of the County respectively.

What's Next?

As the Connect Beaver County Broadband Program continues its most visibly active phase, there will be evidence of progress to residents. Residents may encounter the following activities around the County in preparation for new Internet service.

VEGETATION



In the rights-of-way for communication lines, crews may be trimming trees and clearing ground vegetation

to create access to existing lines or future aerial or underground lines.

IDENTIFICATION AND ACCESS



Construction crews and contractors may need access to your gated property or other hard to access areas. For the protection of all parties, workers will be clearly badged and wearing appropriate personal protective equipment.

NEW POLES



New poles may be constructed in rights-of-way where existing poles are inadequate or do not exist to carry future lines.

UNDERGROUND CABLES

In areas where cables will be buried, residents may witness digging and associated soil disturbance. If digging occurs during winter, restoration will take place in the spring/summer as weather permits. Temporary patches such as cold patches may be used on asphalt roads and then permanently repaired when weather permits, as well. Restorations will be in kind.

INSTALLATION TEAMS

New high-speed fiber lines will be installed following one or more of the preparatory activities listed above. Residents may see the installation teams accessing rights-of-way throughout the installation and testing phases of work. Work typically happens during normal business hours. However, work may occur during night and weekends as needed.

ROAD CUTTING



C: There may be the need to open cut a road to place new cables.
This process will be managed safely and with minimum delays to road



TRAFFIC SAFETY

Drivers may see flaggers in work zones to ensure the safety of work crews. Any traffic delays should be short and temporary.



For More Information:

Residents are welcome to lodge questions on these topics or others via connectbeavercounty.com, feedback@connectbeavercounty.com or by calling 724-495-4300.