



Broadband Program

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Community Awareness Information


About the Program

Beaver County is advancing its Broadband Program to bring high-speed Internet to County residents without access to service. The program’s 2021 Broadband Data Collection & Feasibility Study identified 24 municipalities within the County that lacked complete access to high-speed, reliable Internet under the federal minimum as defined by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The County selected Verizon to deploy high-speed fiber-optic broadband service by the end of 2026 to hundreds of eligible Beaver County locations.

What’s Next?

As the Connect Beaver County Broadband Program begins 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 MANAGEMENT




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.

NEW POLES




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

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.

IDENTIFICATION AND ACCESS




Verizon employees 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.

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.

ROAD CUTTING



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.

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 the Connect Beaver County website (www.connectbeavercounty.com), at feedback@connectbeavercounty.com or by calling 724-495-4300.