

Project Update

Weekly Update

January 31, 2011

Planning, Planning, Planning... that has been the theme for the Sho-Me staff over the past couple of weeks. We continue working to finalize our environmental assessment and to coordinate build plans into 100 Community Anchor Institutions. We have already released bids for DWDM equipment, Ethernet equipment, and network appraisals and more RFPs are slated for release in the coming days. The marketing team is also planning a series of community informational events to introduce our project and better educate the residents of each community of what is yet to come. The team is also visiting with city councils and county governments, as well as civic groups, to educate them of the project details. Please, let us know if you have any questions.



- Proposed Point of Presence
- Existing Point of Presence
- ★ The Mountain Complex
- ★ Sho-Me Technologies NOC
- ★ Sho-Me Technologies Back-up NOC
- Phase One
- Phase Two
- Phase Three
- Phase Four
- Existing In-Kind Fiber
- Existing Sho-Me Technologies Network

Calendar of Events

January 31, 2011
RFP SMM002 Closing
 This RFP is requesting bids for DWDM equipment. Bids are due by 3 P.M. CST.

February 7, 2011
RFP SMM004 Closing
 This RFP is requesting bids for Ethernet Transportation Infrastructure. Bids are due by 3 P.M. CST.

February 18, 2011
RFP SMM003 Closing
 This RFP is requesting bids for network appraisal. Bids are due by 3 P.M. CST.

March 16 -17, 2011
MOREnet Spring Conference
 Come visit us and learn more about the Sho-Me MO project and how it will impact your school district.

Open Requests For Proposals

Anyone who follows the Sho-Me Technologies' website, or Facebook or Twitter accounts, has hopefully seen that we have been busy releasing several Requests For Proposals (RFPs). So far we have released 4 RFPs and we are preparing to release additional opportunities. Below is a summary of the bids that are currently open:

RFP SMM002 is a bid for Dense Wave Division Multiplexing Transport Infrastructure. The winner of this RFP will provide equipment for the project that will consist of 1,380 fiber miles of which about 500 miles is to be new build. The project also has characterization of 17 existing fiber segments, 15 new PoP shelters, 19 existing PoP locations, 82 DWDM degrees and 41 spans. For more information, please click [here](#).

RFP SMM003 is an RFP that will provide the actual book and market value of existing dark fiber (including telecom shelters and NOC) including installation cost and accumulated depreciation attributable since installation and to provide the market value of the dark fiber. For more information, please click [here](#).

RFP SMM004 is a bid request for Ethernet Transport Infrastructure. This bid is allowing us to complete the Sho-Me Mo project and will provide the equipment necessary to serve the Community Anchor Institutions around the state. For more information, please click [here](#).

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How will the Stimulus Grant Benefit Me?

Recently, the U.S. Commerce Department's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) granted Sho-Me Technologies \$26 million in funds to help expand an open access middle mile network. This left a lot of Sho-Me customers and many others around the state asking, "What is a middle mile? What is open access? And how can all this benefit me?" This post will try to describe the mission behind this project and how we hope to transform broadband availability in south central Missouri.



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