SHO-ME MO

Project Update

Weekly Update **October 3, 2011**

This week's construction updates are as follow:

- Sedalia to Cross Timbers: Innerduct Construction Complete! 54 miles has been completed on the route. We are currently working on clean up and vault adjustments.
- Jefferson City to California: 29.4 miles of the 39 miles of construction are complete
- Vienna to Linn to Hermann: 38.4 miles of the 70 mile build are complete

This week, Sho-Me completed the installation of three additional Points of Presence. Those new sites are in Jefferson City, Buffalo, and Linn. Below is information about another project underway in Missouri that should help bring broadband services to a very underserved area. Also included are links to our latest YouTube video. Please, let us know if you have any questions.

Finally Broadband, L.L.C.

Finally Broadband is a start up organization that will provide a wireless broadband option for southern Missouri. The company will offer service in 15 counties and 24 communities. The counties benefiting from this project are Texas, Webster, and Wright counties. In addition, potions of Douglas, Christian, Dallas, Dent, Greene, Howell, Laclede, Ozark, Phelps, Pulaski, Shannon, and Taney counties will also benefit. Overall, broadband services will be offered throughout 4,563 square miles of mostly underserved territory. This will bring service to 45,782 households and 7,484 businesses. The project, with an anticipated costs of $1,118,000, will be funded via grant, loan, and in-kind contribution from managing partners. The company hopes to improve the areas served by spurring economic development and employing 7 individuals, as well as by creating opportunities for people who need broadband for their education, work, and lifestyle. They have also pledged to provide discounted services to 404 Community Anchor Institutions and Critical Community Facilities. For more information about Finally Broadband, please visit their website by clicking here.

Video: Stoutland POP

As you have seen in recent editions, Sho-Me is currently working to install telecommunication shelters. We also refer to these buildings as POPs or Points of Presence. There will be 15 shelters in total which will be placed along the Sho-Me MO network route. These POPs will be open access and serve as interconnect points for other providers who wish to use our network. The first building to be set was the facility in Stoutland. One of our Project Coordinators, Gary Hamilton, recorded some footage of the building installation and he put together a nice video for our website, ShoMeTech.com. To watch this new video, please click here. This video is also available for viewing on Sho-Me Tech's official YouTube channel. To see this and other videos or to subscribe to our channel, please check us out on YouTube at www.youtube.com/shometech

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