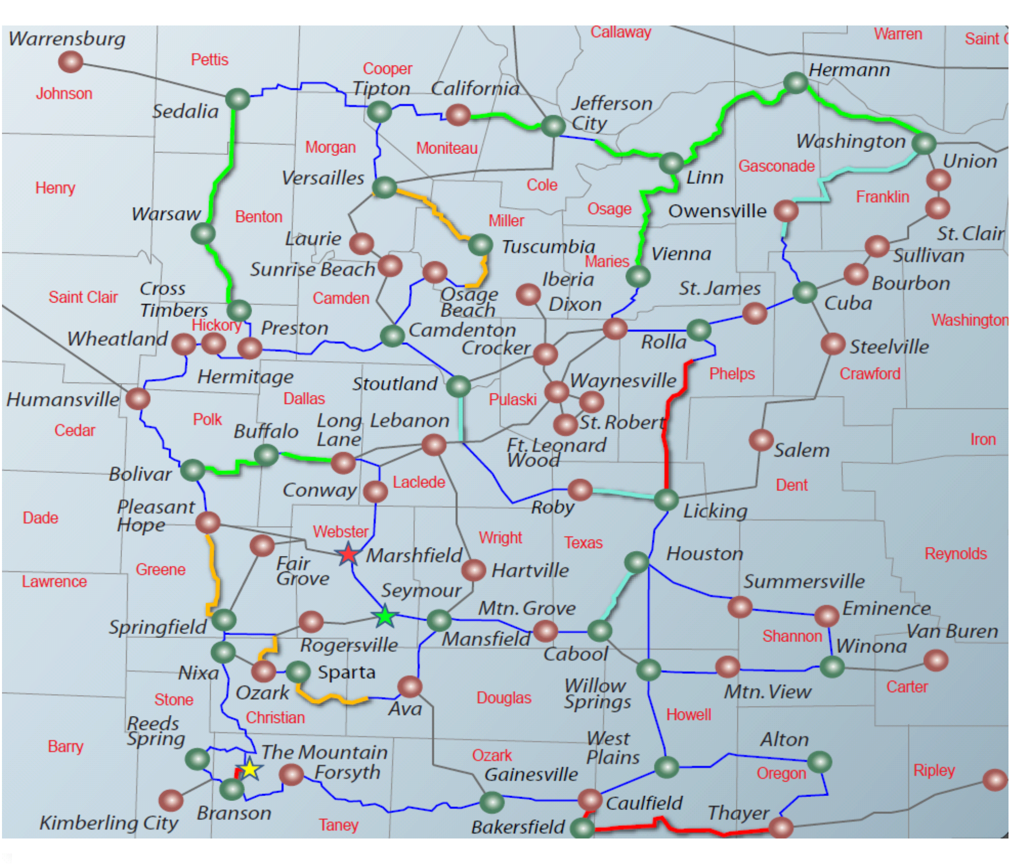
Project Update

Weekly Update November 7, 2011

This week's construction updates are as follow:

- Jefferson City to California: 35.95 miles of the 39 miles of innerduct construction are complete
- Vienna to Linn to Hermann: 64.34 miles of the 70 mile build are complete

We are in the process of finalizing the documentation to begin construction of the Hermann to Bem portion of our project. We hope to have this work started within the next couple of weeks. In addition, below is information about Windstream's efforts to expand DSL service in rural Missouri using Recovery Act funds, as well as information regarding new medical research being conducted here in Missouri. For more information or to pose a question, we can be reached via email at marketing@shometech.com.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- — Existing Sho-Me Technologies Network

Windstream: Expanding DSL Services

Windstream is one of the larger land-line telephone carriers in the state of Missouri. The company provides phone service to 60 local exchanges around the state. While the company also provides broadband service, they can only reach about 89% of homes and businesses in their service territories due to the rural locations they serve. Windstream is also a recipient of Recovery Act funds. They have received $10.3 million dollars in grant money to go towards their $13.7 million dollar expansion effort. The company is contributing the remaining $3.4 million. Money for this project will be spread across many of their exchanges in the state and it will allow them to pass 4,350 residences and 201 businesses. The company will offer bandwidths speeds of 1.5, 3, 6, and 12 mb/s. For more information about Windstream and this project, please visit their website by clicking here.

Recovery Grants Fund Medical Research

In past weekly updates, we have talked about many different projects that are bringing broadband to rural Missouri. Several other projects that have received federal funding are not broadband related, but will still have a positive impact on Missouri residents. For instance, there are a lot of great health-related studies being funded with the monies made available by Congress back in February of 2009. A total of $8.2 billion dollars was set aside for research in areas including Alzheimer 's disease, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (more commonly known as ALS), as well as genetics and ovarian cancer. Several of these projects are taking place in hospitals and research laboratories here in the state of Missouri. Click here to see how the research money has been distributed across the United States and click here to read more about these projects and trials.

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