Broadband Plan Presentation

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WY Broadband Enhancement Plan

Initial WY Broadband Preparations
- Bill SEA No. 0036 for Economic Diversification & Broadband Services Signed by Governor
- WY Broadband Advisory Council Created
- WY Broadband Advisory Council Members Selected
- Request for Proposal Developed for Contractor to Assist with Development of Broadband Enhancement Plan
- Job Description Created for Broadband Manager Position that Will Manage Creation of the Broadband Enhancement Plan

WY Broadband Advisory Council Kickoff
- Initial Kick-off Conference Call (6/5/2018)
- Initial In-Person Meeting (6/26/2018 – 6/27/2018) – Riverton, WY

Information Gathering & Objective Definition
- Define Mission/Vision/Moonshot
- Confirm Goals, Objectives & Timelines
- Establish Sub-teams & Working Groups
- Identify Barriers, Opportunities & Possible Funding Alternatives
- Pursue Mapping Data, & Review Emerging Technology Options
- Gather Stakeholder Input, Analyze Information & Formulate Initial Recommendations
- First Checkpoint Video Conference (7/13/2018)
- Second In-Person Meeting (7/30/2018 – 7/31/2018) – Cheyenne, WY

WY Broadband Enhancement Plan Development
- Conduct Follow-up Discussions with Stakeholders
- Address Feedback & Adjust Recommendations As Needed
- Prepare & Distribute First Draft of Enhancement Plan
- Second Checkpoint Video Conference (8/14/2018)
- Third In-Person Meeting (8/24/2018) – Lander, WY

Recommendation & Ongoing Planning
- Finalize & Deliver Recommended Broadband Enhancement Plan to WY Business Council (Due 9/1/2018)
- Address Feedback & Finalize Broadband Enhancement Plan
- Develop Ongoing Plans for WY Broadband Advisory Council

March/April/May | June | July | August | September
• One page summary of Broadband Enhancement Plan

• Communicates key components of the plan

• Intended to be utilized as a communication tool with stakeholders
  - Citizens
  - Businesses
  - Providers
  - Government Agencies
Mission
Enrich lives, enable economic diversification and move Wyoming to a position of leadership in the new digital world by ensuring every citizen and business has access to affordable, reliable, redundant and future-proof broadband.

Vision
Every Wyoming citizen and every identified business corridor will have the opportunity to access broadband Internet capabilities that exceed defined standards by no later than 2023.

Moonshot
Leave no Wyoming citizen behind and position every business to compete on a global scale by ensuring they each connect to the rest of the digital world with broadband Internet capabilities that set the standard for all others to follow by 2025.

Fairness  Transparency  Collaboration  Efficiency  Innovation  Agility
Priority Recommendations

• Develop a Mapping Strategy
• Leverage Public-Private Partnerships
• Remove Barriers to Deployment
• Increase Access to Funding
• Integrate Emerging Technologies
Summary of Comments & Feedback

Service Standards
speeds, reliability, redundancy, latency

Funding
loans, grants, matching funds

Mapping Accuracy
beyond FCC standards

Local Government Participation
Partnerships, dig-once policies, model standards

Affordability

Success Stories

*11 Provider Surveys and 21 Public Comments Received
Create a Portal for Information

The WBC should create a webpage so interested stakeholders can learn more about what the state is doing to improve broadband services. The depth and complexity of this website will be subject to funding.

Some recommended information for the site includes:

- Basic information on broadband (speeds, technologies, etc)
- Schedules and meeting minutes for the Advisory Council
- Links to the interactive mapping tool
- A speed test
- Information on applying for state and federal funding
- Policy issue information
Broadband Plan

http://www.wyomingbusiness.org/broadband
Wyoming has poor broadband.

TO:

Wyoming is connected and growing.