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Summaries of 2006 Community Connect Broadband Grants September 15, 2006

ALASKA

AP&T Wireless, Inc.

Kasaan, Alaska

Grant Amount: \$1,031,133

Contact: Michael Garrett

Rural Development funds will be used to deploy a wireless broadband system in Kasaan, Alaska. The community currently has an operational Community Center that will be open to the public so they may use the computers and high speed Internet funded by the grant. The local Volunteer Fire and Police Departments will now have Internet access and allow the residents to access outside medical facilities.

IDAHO

Elk River Free Library District

Elk River, Idaho

Grant Amount: \$162,941

Contact: Margaret Patterson

Rural Development funds will be used to build a wireless broadband system for the residents of Elk River, Idaho. The grant will allow for the community to add an additional room onto the local library to house the computers will free Internet access. Elk River has a Sheriff's Department, Volunteer Fire Department, and a City Hall that will all benefit from the addition of high speed Internet.

KENTUCKY

Heartland Communications Internet Services, Inc.

Columbus, Kentucky

Grant Amount: \$426,321

Contact: Brad Housewright

Rural Development funds will be used to build a wireless system in Columbus, Kentucky. The computers available for free public use are being housed in an addition off of City Hall paid for by the grant. The Volunteer Fire Department, Part-time Police Officer, and the Mayor will all benefit from the addition of high speed Internet access.

Open World, Inc.
Concord, Kentucky
Grant Amount: \$94,430
Contact: James Risner

Rural Development funds will be used to provide Concord, Kentucky with a wireless broadband system. A small community of 28 people, Concord has no critical facilities of their own. Adding high speed Internet allows residents to connect with neighboring communities.

SouthEast Telephone, Inc.
Berry, Kentucky
Grant Amount: \$209,891
Contact: Darrell L. Maynard

Rural Development funds will be used to add a community center to City Hall; ensuring residents of Berry, Kentucky have free access to the Internet. The Broadband service will be deployed using DSL technology. Great community support was shown, 269/310 residents signed a petition in support of SouthEast Telephone Inc. application for the grant. The critical facilities served by the grant will include: Harrison County Fire Department, Berry Fire Department, Berry Post Office, and City Hall.

SouthEast Telephone, Inc.
Monterey, Kentucky
Grant Amount: \$214,153
Contact: Darrell L. Maynard

Rural Development funds will be used to provide Broadband Service to Monterey, Kentucky and the surrounding area via DSL. The community center and free computers will be housed in the Baptist Church. Great community support was shown in preparation of this grant, with 81 out of 167 people signing a petition for broadband service.

MISSISSIPPI
Fail, Inc.
Bassfield, Mississippi
Grant Amount: \$176,800
Contact: Rick Bennett

Rural Development funds will be used to construct an unlicensed wireless broadband system. This small rural Mississippi community of Bassfield has a Fire/Civil Defense

Department, Police Department, Water Department, Town Hall, and a Public School, of which all will benefit from having broadband service. Surveys were passed out through Bassfield, and 86 percent of the head of households were interested in obtaining such service.

ISP Associates, Inc. DBA Dixie Net Fiber
Dumas, Mississippi
Grant Amount: \$295,031
Contact: Chris Marsalis

Rural Development funds will be used to provide the local Wireless company the means to offer broadband service to Dumas, Mississippi. Residents can enjoy free access to the Internet at their local library. The volunteer fire department will benefit from having their first connection to the Internet.

NEW MEXICO

Pueblo of Laguna
Pauguate, New Mexico
Grant Amount: \$550,908
Contact: Governor Roland Johnson

Rural Development funds will be used to deploy a wireless broadband system to the village of Pauguate. Grant funding will also aide in renovating the existing community center. This is a village that does not have POTS, imagine what bringing the Internet will do for communications on this reservation.

Pueblo of Laguna
Seama, New Mexico
Grant Amount: \$550,908
Contact: Governor Roland Johnson

Rural Development funds will be used to deploy a wireless broadband system to the village of Seama. Funding will also aide in renovating the existing community center. This is a village that does not have POTS, imagine what bringing the Internet will do for communications on this reservation.

Pueblo of Laguna
Encinal, New Mexico
Grant Amount: \$550,908
Contact: Governor Roland Johnson

Rural Development funds will be used to deploy a wireless broadband system to the village of Encinal. Funding will also aide in renovating the existing community center. This is a village that does not have POTS, imagine what bringing the Internet will do for communications on this reservation.

Pueblo of Laguna
Mesita, New Mexico
Grant Amount: \$487,971
Contact: Governor Roland Johnson

Rural Development funds will be used to deploy a wireless broadband system to the village of Mesita. Funding will also aide in renovating the existing community center. This is a village that does not have POTS, imagine what bringing the Internet will do for communications on this reservation.

Pueblo of Laguna
Paraje, New Mexico
Grant Amount: \$527,736
Contact: Governor Roland Johnson

Rural Development funds will be used to deploy a wireless broadband system to the village of Paraje. Funding will also aide in renovating the existing community center. This is a village that does not have POTS, imagine what bringing the Internet will do for communications on this reservation.

Pueblo of Laguna
Laguna, New Mexico
Grant Amount: \$633,939
Contact: Governor Roland Johnson

Rural Development funds will be used to deploy a wireless broadband system to the village of Laguna. Funding will also aide in renovating the existing community center. This is a village that does not have POTS, imagine what bringing the Internet will do for communications on this reservation.

OKLAHOMA
Choctaw Electric Cooperative
Haworth, Oklahoma
Grant Amount: \$417,544
Contact: Terry Matlock

Rural Development funds will be used to construct a fixed wireless broadband system in Haworth, Oklahoma. Lands donated by the local school will be used to build a community center with free access to the Internet. Located in Tornado Alley, high speed Internet will allow the local fire department, ambulance service, and community members to prepare for the severe weather common to that region.

Choctaw Electric Cooperative
Rattan, Oklahoma
Grant Amount: \$417,544

Contact: Terry Matlock

Rural Development funds will be used to construct a fixed wireless broadband system in Rattan, Oklahoma. Lands donated by the local school will be used to build a community center with free access to the Internet. Located in Tornado Alley, high speed Internet will allow the local fire department, ambulance service, and community members to prepare for the severe weather common to that region.

Choctaw Electric Cooperative

Smithville, Oklahoma

Grant Amount: \$417,544

Contact: Terry Matlock

Rural Development funds will be used to construct a fixed wireless broadband system in Smithville, Oklahoma. Lands donated by the local school will be used to build a community center with free access to the Internet. Located in Tornado Alley, high speed Internet will allow the local fire department, ambulance service, and community members to prepare for the severe weather common to that region.

Nix Medical Supply, Inc. DBA CSWEB.NET

Gans, Oklahoma

Grant Amount: \$531,750

Contact: Pat Nix, Jr.

Rural Development funds will be used to build a wireless broadband system for the community of Gans, Oklahoma. In addition, the community will receive funding to build a community center with free access for residents. The local police and fire department will benefit from this project, as well as the PreK-12 school.

VIRGINIA

Lenowisco, Inc. I

Ewing, Virginia

Grant Amount: \$454,558

Contact: Ron Flanary

Rural Development funds will be used to provide broadband service utilizing a fiber to the home system. The local library will act as a community center, allowing all residents free access to the Internet. Ewing, Virginia's local elementary school will greatly benefit from the addition of high speed Internet service in the community.

Techcore Consultants II DBA Almega Cable

Cleveland, Virginia

Grant Amount: \$220,650

Contact: Thomas Kurien

Rural Development funds will be used to upgrade the local cable television system in Cleveland, Virginia with hybrid fiber coax (HFC) allowing residents and businesses the option of receiving broadband service. Many critical facilities will benefit from such service including: town hall, police department, volunteer fire and rescue squads, and the local elementary school. Funding will also enable the community to add a room to the Town Hall to house ten computers with free high speed Internet access.

WASHINGTON

Ecliptixnet Broadband, Inc.

Springdale, Washington

Grant Amount: \$529,340

Contact: Jeff Tamietti

Rural Development funds will be used to deliver Broadband Service in Springdale, Washington using a wireless network. Many will benefit from such a project, including: Steven County Fire District, Springdale Police Department, Local School, and a medical center, not to mention the 283 residences and 26 businesses. In addition grant funds will be used to build a Community Center housing ten computers with Broadband access free for the community to use.