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| QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT FOR BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS | | | | | |
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| General Information | | | | | |
| 1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted | 2. Award Identification | n Number | 3. DUNS Number | | |
| Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration | NT10BIX5570144 | | 001745512 | | |
| 4. Recipient Organization | | | | | |
| Northern Illinois University, Inc. Lowden Hall, Ste | e 201, Dekalb, IL 6011 | 5-3080 | | | |
| 5. Current Reporting Period End Date (MM/DD/YYY | Y) 6. 1 | s this the last Repo | rt of the Award Period? | | |
| 09-30-2012 | | | ○ Yes 	● No | | |
| 7. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledg purposes set forth in the award documents. | e and belief that this re | port is correct and | complete for performance of activities for the | | |
| 7a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Certifying O | fficial | 7c. Telepho | ne (area code, number and extension) | | |
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| 7b. Signature of Certifying Official | 7e. Date Rej | port Submitted (MM/DD/YYYY): | | | |
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Project Indicators (This Quarter)

1. Please describe significant project accomplishments completed during this quarter (600 words or less).

The Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) is intended to accelerate broadband deployment in unserved and underserved areas, supporting strategic institutions that are likely to create jobs or provide significant public benefits. The Northern Illinois University BTOP team has been working on or completed the following:

□ Completed final engineering design for 98% of the planned route representing over 600 miles.

□ Received permits for 86% of the planned route representing 540 miles.

- □ Completed duct installation for 76% of the new construction portion of the project totaling 480 miles.
- □ Completed fiber installation for 58% of the new construction portion of the project totaling 365 miles.

□ Met with 98% of CAIs and secured commitments from 72%.

Completed lateral building entrances and fiber installation to 138 CAI locations.

- Completed the technical design for 5 wireless segments, 2 of which are currently being installed.
- □ Received core network equipment, training and implementation is in progress.

□ On-going negotiations with iFiber Partners to provide ISP/Content/Cloud services over iFiber transport network; anticipate agreements in place by Q4 2012.

2. Please provide the percent complete for the following key milestones in your project. Write "0" in the Percent Complete column and "N/ A" in the Narrative column if your project does not include this activity. If you provided additional milestones in your baseline plan, please insert them at the bottom of the table. Unless otherwise indicated in the instructions, figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the most recent reporting quarter. Please provide a narrative description if the percent complete is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (300 words or less).

| Milestone | Percent Complete | Narrative (describe reasons for any variance from baseline plan or subsequent written updates provided to your program officer) |
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| | | There were more activities than federal dollars spent during the report period. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 below. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. |
| Overall Project | 62 | At 9/30/2012, 98% of the network is designed and 86% permitted. Over 480 miles of conduit have been installed and 365 miles of fiber blown. Lateral terminations connecting 138 CAIs have been completed. CAI and core equipment has been purchased and planning for installation initiated. Several fiber and wireless segments submitted in June 2012 are pending NTIA route modification approval. |
| Environmental Assessment | 100 | no variance |
| Network Design | 61 | There were more activities than federal dollars spent during the report period. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 below. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. At 9/30/2012, over 98% of the network is designed and 86% permitted. We are currently meeting with CAIs to secure organizational commitment and routes. 98% of CAIs have been contacted for which we have secured letters of intent from 72%. |
| Rights of Way | 96 | no variance |
| Construction Permits and Other Approvals | 90 | no variance |
| Site Preparation | 90 | no variance |
| Equipment Procurement | 29 | There were more activities than federal dollars spent during the report period. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 below. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. |
| | Overall Project Environmental Assessment Network Design Rights of Way Construction Permits and Other Approvals Site Preparation | MilestoneCompleteOverall Project62Environmental Assessment100Network Design61Rights of Way96Construction Permits and Other Approvals90Site Preparation90 |

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| | Milestone | Percent Complete | Narrative (describe reasons for any variance from baseline plan or subsequent written updates provided to your program officer) |
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| | | | CAI and core equipment has been purchased and received and is in the process of being programmed for installation. |
| 2h. | Network Build (all components - owned, leased, IRU, etc) | 69 | no variance |
| 2i. | Equipment Deployment | 23 | There were more activities than federal dollars spent during the report period. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 below. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. CAI and core equipment has been purchased and received and is in the process of being programmed for installation. |
| 2j. | Network Testing | 35 | There were more activities than federal dollars spent during the report period. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 below. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. To date, 365 miles of fiber have been blown. Five wireless links have been designed and easement agreements for towers are in progress. Another 7 have been designed and easement agreements are in progress. |
| 2k. | Other (please specify): N/A | 0 | not applicable |

3. To the extent not covered above, please describe any challenges or issues faced during this past quarter in achieving planned progress against the project milestones listed above. In particular, please identify any areas or issues where technical assistance from the BTOP program may be useful (600 words or less).

1) Incumbent providers have increased target marketing aggressiveness to sign up BTOP project CAIs in advance of our efforts. This has resulted in CAIs signing long term contracts with other providers in the past few months. This recent activity from incumbent providers may inhibit our ability to sign up anchor institutions. We have initiated extensive outreach campaigns to provide an update on the project and anticipated build plans. As of 9/30/2012, we have received letters of intent from 72% of our CAIs.

2) A portion of the project region may require greater than anticipated depths for duct and fiber installation. We have submitted a route modification request to address this portion of the project. We are also working with the County to redesign the original route as an alternative to the route modification.

3) FONSI. The project's environmental assessment was submitted to NTIA on 2/7/2011. The FONSI was received on 5/8/2011. This three month period delayed construction start and will have an impact on progress in the next few quarters. Despite the delay in clearance to begin construction, we anticipate overcoming progress lost within the next two quarters and reaching the overall project target during the grant period.

4) Expenditures. Because the progress reported in this report is based on federal draw down of funds, there will be more activities than federal dollars spent during the report period. We are working with subrecipients and contractors to ensure timely receipt of invoices for expenditures on the project. Additionally, the original baseline report was developed based on project progress not just expenditures. Actual expenditures can lag project progress by as much as 2 - 3 months, therefore reflecting further variance from the baseline than actual.

5) Shortened First Quarter. The first official project quarter ended 9/30/2010, two weeks after notice of award on 9/14/2010. Therefore progress does not align with original baseline data which was based on full project quarters. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan for the project at eighteen months and two weeks from initiation. Despite the short initial period, we anticipate reaching the overall project target during the grant period.

6) Fiber and wireless route modifications submitted to NTIA in June are still pending. The pending route modifications have significantly impacted construction of the network and installation of wireless locations. Alternatives to route modifications in Carroll, JoDaviess, and LaSalle Counties are currently being evaluated in an effort to maintain progress and timely completion.

4. Please report the following information regarding network build progress. Write "0" in the Total column and "N/A" in the Narrative column if your project does not include this activity. Unless otherwise indicated in the instructions, figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the most recent reporting quarter. Please provide a narrative description if the total is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (600 words or less).

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| Indicator | Total | Narrative (describe your reasons for any variance from the baseline plan or any other relevant information) |
|--|-------|--|
| New network miles deployed | 365 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. At 9/30/2012, 98% of the network is designed and 86% permitted. Over 480 miles of conduit have been installed and 365 miles of fiber blown. Fiber and wireless route modifications submitted to NTIA in June 2012 are pending approval. |
| New network miles leased | 203 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. Leased miles were secured for a majority of the planned routes. The final segment of leased miles will be executed in the next two quarters. |
| Existing network miles upgraded | 0 | no variance |
| Existing network miles leased | 0 | no variance |
| Number of miles of new fiber (aerial or underground) | 365 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. At 9/30/2012, 98% of the network is designed and 86% permitted. Over 480 miles of conduit have been installed and 365 miles of fiber blown. Fiber and wireless route modifications submitted to NTIA in June 2012 are pending approval. |
| Number of new wireless links | 0 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. Five wireless links have been designed and easement agreements for towers are in progress. Another 7 are being designed and easement agreements in progress. Most wireless locations were revised from the original EA and were submitted to NTIA in June 2012. NTIA route modification approval is still pending. |
| Number of new towers | 0 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. Tower easement agreements are in progress and most will be executed during 2012. Most wireless locations were revised from the original EA and were submitted to NTIA in June 2012. NTIA route modification approval is still pending. |
| Number of new and/or upgraded interconnection points | 0 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. Most interconnection points have been identified and agreements are in process for many. We anticipate solidifying all interconnection points during the next two quarters. that you are negotiating or have entered into, or that your sub |

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recipient, contractor or subcontractor is negotiating or entered into.

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5a. If applicable, please provide the following information with regard to agreements with broadband wholesalers and/or last mile providers as a result of your project.

| Indicators | |
|--|----|
| Number of signed agreements with broadband wholesalers or last mile providers | 0 |
| Number of agreements currently being negotiated with broadband wholesalers or last mile providers | 22 |
| Average term of signed agreements (in quarters) | 0 |

5b. Please list the names of the wholesale and last mile providers with whom you have signed agreements (100 words or less). Providers: Negotiations are in progress and several are in the final stages. We anticipate receiving a minimum of 4 executed agreements in Q4 2012.

5c. What wholesale services are being provided by this project? Please describe below. As an attachment to this report, please provide pricing plans (in \$ per month) associated with each wholesale service provided by your product (100 words or less). Wholesale services description:

Wholesale services are being developed and a plan completed by Q4 2012.

5d. If you have designated a third party to operate all or a portion of your network, please provide the name and contact information for this third party, indicate if this entity is a sub recipient, contractor, and/or subcontractor, and describe with specificity the portion of your network this this third party operates (600 words or less).

Illinois Fiber Resources Group NFP (iFiber) - sub recipient will operate the entire network. Contact: John Lewis, Chairman (815) 753-0936 jlewis@niu.edu

6. Please provide the data according to the type of subscriber. Write "0" in the Total column and "N/A" in the Narrative column if your project does not pass or serve a particular subscriber type. Unless otherwise indicated in the instructions, figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the most recent reporting quarter. Please provide a narrative description if the total is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (300 words or less).

| Subscriber Type | Access Type | Total | Narrative (describe your reasons for any variance from the baseline plan or any other relevant information) |
|--|---|-------|--|
| Broadband Wholesalers or Last Mile Providers | Providers with signed agreements receiving new access | 0 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. Negotiations are in progress with 22 broadband wholesalers and/ or last mile providers. There is significant increase in interest from wholesalers and last mile providers. |
| | Providers with signed agreements receiving improved access | 0 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. Negotiations are in progress with 22 broadband wholesalers and/ or last mile providers. There is significant increase in interest from wholesalers and last mile providers. |
| | Providers with signed agreements receiving access to dark fiber | 0 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. Negotiations are in progress with 22 broadband wholesalers and/ or last mile providers. There is significant increase in interest from wholesalers and last mile providers. |
| | Please identify the speed tiers that are available and the number of subscribers for each | 0 | Tiers will be available once agreements are finalized. |

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| Subscriber Type | Access Type | Total | Narrative (describe your reasons for any variance from the baseline plan or any other relevant information) |
|--|---|----------------|--|
| Community Anchor Institutions (including Government institutions) | Total subscribers served | 138 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. The project team has met with 98% of CAIs and has secured letters of intent to participate from 72%. During the quarter, the project connected 138 CAIs. Pending route modifications submitted in June 2012 are stalling completion of 72 fiber and 14 wireless CAI locations. |
| | Subscribers receiving new access | 0 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variance from the baseline plan. The project team has met with 98% of CAIs and has secured letters of intent to participate from 72%. During the quarter, the project connected 138 CAIs. Pending route modifications submitted in June 2012 are stalling completion of 72 fiber and 14 wireless CAI locations. |
| | Subscribers receiving improved access | 138 | Variance is due in part to pending route modifications, permitting the delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3 above. According to full project quarters, there is less variant from the baseline plan. The project team has met with 98% of CAIs and has secured letters of intent to participate from 72%. During the quarter, the project connected 138 CAIs. Pending route modifications submitted in June 2012 are stalling completion of 72 fiber and 14 wireless CAI locations. |
| | Please identify the speed tiers that are available and the number or subscribers for each | 2 | 1 Gbps for 461 CAIs and 100 Mbps for 72 CAIs |
| Residential / Households | Entities passed | 0 | N/A |
| | Total subscribers served | 0 | N/A |
| | Subscribers receiving new access | 0 | N/A |
| | Subscribers receiving improved access | 0 | N/A |
| | Please identify the speed tiers that are available and the number of subscribers for each | 0 | N/A |
| Businesses | Entities passed | 0 | N/A |
| | Total subscribers served | 0 | N/A |
| | Subscribers receiving new access | 0 | N/A |
| | Subscribers receiving improved access | 0 | N/A |
| | Please identify the speed tiers that are available and the number of subscribers for each | 0 | N/A |
| . Please describe any I/A | special offerings you may provide <mark>(600 w</mark> | ords or less). | |

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8b. If so, please describe the changes (300 words or less). N/A

9. Community Anchor Institutions:

Using the table below, please provide a list by service area of the community anchor institutions (including Government institutions) connected to your network as a result of BTOP funds. Figures should be reported for the most recent reporting quarter only (NOT cumulatively). Also indicate whether your organization is currently providing broadband service to the anchor institution. Finally, provide a short narrative description with examples of how institutions are using BTOP-funded infrastructure (300 words or less).

| Institution Name | Service Area (town or county) | Type of Anchor Institution (as defined in your baseline) | Are you also the broadband service provider for this institution? (Yes / No) | Narrative description of how anchor institutions are using BTOP- funded infrastructure |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| Byron Middle School | Byron | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| CGH - Dixon Clinic | Dixon | Healthcare | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| CGH - Northern Illinois Home Medical | Dixon | Healthcare | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| KSB Vision Clinic | Dixon | Healthcare | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Sauk Valley Community College | Dixon | Community College | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Boone County Fire District | Garden Prairie | Public Safety | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Eastland High School | Lanark | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| FHN Family Healthcare Center | Lanark | Healthcare | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Freeport Healthcare Centers | Lena | Healthcare | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Lena Community District Library | Lena | Library | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Lena Village Hall | Lena | Government | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Lena-Winslow High School | Lena | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Lena-Winslow Junior High School | Lena | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Lena-Winslow School Dist #202 | Lena | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Lena-Winslow School Dist Technology Building | Lena | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Freeport Healthcare Centers | Orangevill e | Healthcare | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Orangeville Elementary School | Orangevill e | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Orangeville Junior/ Senior High School | Orangevill e | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| KSB Center for Health Services | Oregon | Healthcare | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Nash Recreation Center | Oregon | Government | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Ogle County Health Department | Oregon | Government | no | to expand and improve access to resources |

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| Institution Name | Service | Type of Anchor | Are you also the | EXPIRATION DATE: 12/31/2013 Narrative description of how anchor institutions are using BTOP |
|--|--------------------------|---|--|--|
| | Area (town or county) | Institution (as defined in your baseline) | service provider for this institution? (Yes / No) | funded infrastructure |
| Ogle County Sheriff | Oregon | Public Safety | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Oregon Elementary School - Etnyre | Oregon | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Oregon Elementary School - Jefferson | Oregon | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Oregon High School | Oregon | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Park Maintenance Shop | Oregon | Government | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Pearl City Junior/ Senior High School | Pearl City | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Pearl City School Dist 200 | Pearl City | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Prophetstown High School | Prophetsto wn | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Rockton Village Hall | Rockton | Government | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Ledgewood Elementary | Roscoe | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Roscoe Police Department | Roscoe | Public Safety | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Roscoe Village Hall | Roscoe | Government | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| City of Savanna | Savanna | Government | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| FHN Family Healthcare | Savanna | Healthcare | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Savanna Fire Department | Savanna | Public Safety | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Savanna Historical Society | Savanna | Community Support | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Savanna Public Safety | Savanna | Public Safety | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| West Carroll High School | Savanna | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| West Carroll Primary School | Savanna | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Blackhawk Elementary & Junior High School | South Beloit | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Clark Elementary | South Beloit | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| South Beloit High School | South Beloit | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Julia Hull District Library | Stillman Valley | Library | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Meridian Junior High School | Stillman Valley | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |
| Stillman Valley High School | Stillman Valley | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources |

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| Regional Superintendent of Schools | Stockton | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources | |
|--|----------|------|----|---|--|
| Stockton High School | Stockton | K-12 | no | to expand and improve access to resources | |
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| Project Indicators (Next Quarter) | | | | | |

1. Please describe significant project accomplishments planned for completion during the next quarter (600 words or less).

Contractors have blown 365 miles of fiber into 480 miles of conduit through the end of this quarter. By the end of the next quarter we anticipate completing all available miles of new conduit installation and new fiber blown. We estimate deploying an additional 36 miles of conduit during Q4 2012 and 140 miles of fiber. We will have a minimum of 180 CAI subscribers connected during the next quarter and 100% of all CAIs committed. While we are in negotiations with 22 broadband wholesalers and last mile providers, we anticipate at least four fully executed agreements will be received in Q4 2012.

Approval of June 2012 route modifications by early Q4 2012 may not significantly impact construction schedules. However, the upcoming winter weather could stall the start of pending route modifications until Q1 2013.

We have received commitments from CAIs for the first 5 wireless links and identified the next 7. During the next quarter wireless equipment and installation will begin for links not pending route modification approvals.

We have purchased CAI and core network equipment and are in the process of programming. Installation will begin in Q4 2012.

We are actively negotiating with 22 leased and last mile providers and anticipate finalizing partner agreements with wholesale and last mile providers in addition to IRUs for portions of the network. Several of these agreements are in their final stages.

2. Please provide the percent complete for the following key milestones in your project. Write "0" in the Planned Percent Complete column and "N/A" in the Narrative column if your project does not include this activity. If you provided additional milestones in your baseline plan, please insert them at the bottom of the table. Unless otherwise indicated in the instructions, figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the next reporting quarter. Please provide a narrative description if the percent complete is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (300 words or less).

| | arget provided in your baseline plan (500 words of less). | | | | | | |
|-----|---|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Milestone | Planned Percent Complete | Narrative (describe reasons for any variance from baseline plan or any other relevant information) | | | | |
| 2a. | Overall Project | 73 | There will be more activity than federal dollars expended during the quarter. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3. Pending route modifications are delaying progress. We anticipate 100% completion of the new fiber optic network design and 95% permitted. We anticipate having more than 90% of conduit completed and 85% of fiber blown for existing fiber routes by the end of the next quarter. The wireless vendor will complete 3 links, several more are pending route modifications. We anticipate reaching nearly all of our CAIs and securing commitments from 100%. The CAI equipment will be installed at connected locations. The core network equipment RFP will be received and installation initiated. | | | | |
| 2b. | Environmental Assessment | 100 | no variance | | | | |
| 2c. | Network Design | 74 | There will be more activity than federal dollars expended during the quarter. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3. We are near completion with the fiber optic network design and anticipate permitting near 95% during the next quarter. | | | | |
| 2d. | Rights of Way | 100 | no variance | | | | |
| 2e. | Construction Permits and Other Approvals | 100 | no variance | | | | |
| 2f. | Site Preparation | 94 | There will be more activity than federal dollars expended during the quarter. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3. We anticipate 100% completion of the new fiber optic network design with 95% permitted. We anticipate having more than 90% of conduit in existing approved routes completed and 85% of fiber blown by the end of the next quarter. | | | | |

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| | Milestone | Planned Percent Complete | Narrative (describe reasons for any variance from baseline plan or any other relevant information) |
|-----|---|--------------------------------|--|
| 2g. | Equipment Procurement | 51 | There will be more activity than federal dollars expended during the quarter. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3. The CAI equipment will be installed at connected locations. The core network equipment RFP will be installed. |
| 2h. | Network Build (all components - owned, leased, IRU, etc.) | 78 | no variance |
| 2i. | Equipment Deployment | 43 | There will be more activity than federal dollars expended during the quarter. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3. The CAI equipment will be installed at connected locations. The core network equipment RFP will be installed. |
| 2j. | Network Testing | 35 | There will be more activity than federal dollars expended during the quarter. Variance is also due in part to pending route modifications, permitting, delayed FONSI, and Shortened First Quarter issue noted in Q3. We anticipate 100% completion of the new fiber optic network design with 95% permitted. We anticipate having more than 90% of conduit in existing approved routes completed and 85% of fiber blown by the end of the next quarter. The wireless vendor will complete 3 links, the remaining are on hold pending route modifications. |
| 2k. | Other (please specify): N/A | 0 | N/A |

3. Please describe any challenges or issues anticipated during the next quarter that may impact planned progress against the project milestones listed above. In particular, please identify any areas or issues where technical assistance from the BTOP program may be useful (600 words or less).

Route modifications submitted in June 2012 are still pending NTIA approval. These pending route modifications have had a significant impact on actual construction progress. If approved in early Q4 2012, the construction schedule will not be significantly impacted. If route modification approval is delayed well into Q4 2012, winter weather will stall the start of these final segments into Q1 2013.

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Infrastructure Budget Execution Details

Activity Based Expenditures (Infrastructure)

1. Please provide details below on your total budget, cumulative actual expenditures (for the period ending the current quarter), and cumulative anticipated expenditures (for the period ending next quarter) for each line item, including detailed disbursements of both matching funds and federal funds from project inception through end of this quarter (actual) or next quarter (anticipated). Actual and anticipated figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the applicable reporting quarter.

| Budget for Entire Project | | | | Actuals from Project Inception through End of Current Reporting Period | | | Anticipated Actuals from Project Inception through End of Next Reporting Period | | |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|---|-------------------|------------------|
| Cost Classification | Total Cost (plan) | Matching Funds (plan) | Federal Funds (plan) | Total Cost | Matching Funds | Federal Funds | Total Costs | Matching Funds | Federal Funds |
| a. Administrative and legal expenses | \$3,711,487 | \$1,213,656 | \$2,497,831 | \$2,359,878 | \$106,138 | \$2,253,740 | \$2,802,877 | \$106,138 | \$2,696,739 |
| b. Land, structures, right-of-ways, appraisals, etc. | \$4,647,688 | \$1,519,794 | \$3,127,894 | \$6,972,595 | \$5,743,589 | \$1,229,006 | \$7,100,000 | \$5,743,589 | \$1,356,411 |
| c. Relocation expenses and payments | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| d. Architectural and engineering fees | \$1,223,700 | \$400,150 | \$823,550 | \$908,934 | \$114,950 | \$793,984 | \$1,100,000 | \$114,950 | \$985,050 |
| e. Other architectural and engineering fees | \$841,250 | \$275,089 | \$566,161 | \$473,735 | \$0 | \$473,735 | \$565,000 | \$0 | \$565,000 |
| f. Project inspection fees | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| g. Site work | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| h. Demolition and removal | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| i. Construction | \$48,327,740 | \$15,810,021 | \$32,517,719 | \$29,026,675 | \$10,538,992 | \$18,487,683 | \$33,500,000 | \$13,182,059 | \$20,317,941 |
| j. Equipment | \$9,778,411 | \$3,197,540 | \$6,580,871 | \$2,951,708 | \$0 | \$2,951,708 | \$5,250,000 | \$0 | \$5,250,000 |
| k. Miscellaneous | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| I. SUBTOTAL (add a through k) | \$68,530,276 | \$22,416,250 | \$46,114,026 | \$42,693,525 | \$16,503,669 | \$26,189,856 | \$50,317,877 | \$19,146,736 | \$31,171,141 |
| m. Contingencies | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| n. TOTALS (sum of I and m) | \$68,530,276 | \$22,416,250 | \$46,114,026 | \$42,693,525 | \$16,503,669 | \$26,189,856 | \$50,317,877 | \$19,146,736 | \$31,171,141 |
| 2. Program Incom reporting period. | e: Please prov | vide the progr | am income yo | ou listed in you | ur application | budget and a | ctuals to date | through the e | nd of the |
| a. Application Budget Program Income: \$0 b. Program Income to Date: \$0 | | | | | | | | | |