

Hidden Village Internet Update
November 14, 2021

Hello Neighbors,

I've been informed that the state has extended the grant completion date from October, 2021 to June, 2022.

The majority of the 115 homes in the grant have service. I'm not aware of any service complaints.

For the few grant-entitled owners without service now, this extension should allow more time to take advantage of the free trenched fiber drop to the home.

The owners in filing 6, east side of Hilltop who want service, will need to wait until Force Broadband bores under Hilltop to make connections.

The owners west of Hilltop who are grant-eligible and still without service should consider at least having the trenched fiber drop from the backbone and exterior box done at no cost. It can then be decided whether or not to activate service.

I learned that Butterfield was quoted three thousand dollars per home to bring fiber to the home.

If you're in the grant and you want to pursue at least the drop fiber to the, please let me know if you need help. Some of us on the committee can help you facilitate the process.

For the 45 homes that were excluded from the grant, I've heard that FBB is now charging rates that are primarily subject to negotiation.

We are in communication with the county to ensure that FBB is in compliance with all the requirements. If we hear of any other noteworthy information, you'll be informed. Thanks!

All the best,

Jim Trevino

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