

1. **Business Model / Services Agreement**

- a. The draft Services Agreement – prepared by Underberg and Kessler – has continued to be refined with Broadband Committee input.
- b. Negotiation with the preferred Internet Service Provider is focused on Fee Structure and is progressing well.
- c. USDA must approve Operations Agreement BEFORE they would approve any Engineering contract.
- d. Goal is to have a signed Agreement in February.

2. **Engineering Firm**

- a. Focus has been narrowed to three potential engineering firms.
- b. Interview meetings are taking place week of Jan. 25 and Feb. 1 to better compare the various offers (services, experience, costs, etc).
- c. Goal is to bring Engineering contract to Legislature shortly after USDA and Legislative approval of the Services Agreement.

3. **Construction**

- a. Goal to start Construction Summer 2021.