

All Points Broadband Project Update – December 2024

Representatives from Rockingham County attended the regional project meeting with All Points Broadband on Monday 12/09/2024. The meeting also included site visits to see:

- **Dominion’s Middle Mile Fiber Progress:** Representatives observed Dominion Energy actively pulling middle-mile fiber as part of the project infrastructure build-out.
- **Active Cabinet Installation:** A stop in Augusta County showcased the installation of the first active network cabinet.
- **Distribution Center in Rockingham County:** Attendees visited the new distribution center in Rockingham County, which will support the southern portion of the project area.

General Project Updates:

- **Extended Deadline:** The project deadline has been extended by one year, now scheduled for completion by **July 2026**.
- **Optimized Construction:** DHCD has approved shifting parts of the project from VATI funding to BEAD funding, reducing the number of poles needed for make-ready construction from **33,000 to 17,000** while maintaining service for all unserved residents.

Rockingham County Updates:

- **Distribution Center:** All Points Broadband has established a distribution center in Rockingham County to support the southern project area.
- **Construction Timeline:**
 - **Middle Mile Construction:** Dominion Energy will begin in **January 2025**.
 - **Last Mile Construction:** Scheduled to start in **April 2025**, with an average build rate of **24 miles per month** and expected completion by **March 2026**.
- **Service Rollout:**
 - **Home Network Activations:** Begin in **June 2025** on a rolling basis, based on readiness in each Fiber Distribution Area.
 - **Resident Notifications:** Residents will receive service availability notifications **60–90 days** in advance.

This strategic adjustment ensures continued progress while addressing delays, keeping the project moving forward to deliver reliable broadband service to unserved residents of Rockingham County.