Eastern Slope Technologies — Fiber Upgrade

Bringing you technology for the future!

Benefits of a Fiber Connection

* Increased Internet Speeds *

* Highest Quality and Most Reliable Connection *

* Increases the Productivity of Businesses *

* Increases Home Values, Economic Vitality, Communication, Entertainment and Much more *

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We are upgrading our technology to better serve you, our member!

Same Local Service and Support You Deserve

The technology we use to deliver services will be different, but the friendly local service you are used to receiving will remain the same!

CONNECTING YOU TO THE WORLD…….

To provide our members with improved services, Eastern Slope Technologies will be upgrading our existing facilities. Demand for new data services, including high-speed internet access, is placing burdens on the existing telecommunications network. Eastern Slope Technologies has made the commitment to place fiber optics and electronics to enhance the availability of Broadband and Ethernet – and the limitless opportunities that accompany it, to Eastern Slope Technologies members. As your local cooperative, we are excited to bring quality, affordable, high-speed broadband internet services to ALL of our members.

The Board of Directors of Eastern Slope Rural Telephone hope the upgrade project will serve as a stimulus to the local economies while providing much needed bandwidth to homes and businesses. Internet connectivity is essential to the economic opportunities in Eastern Colorado and Eastern Slope Technologies has a proven track record of building, operating, and maintaining high quality communications services – now and in the future. Please feel free to visit our website at www.easternslopetech.com or call the business office at 719-743-2441 or 1-888-999-3778 to discuss the planned upgrade or inquire about existing broadband availability.

BENEFITS TO OUR MEMBERS…….

Businesses and homeowners are using technologies that require more and more bandwidth. Fiber optics is the only medium that can keep up with the bandwidth demand. A single hair-thin optical fiber can carry up to 1,000 times as much information as copper (traditional telephone network material) or co-ax (traditional cable television network material). Fiber networks are extremely reliable and can carry multiple voice, data, or video streams into the same house at the same time!

Our new network will allow us to deliver state-of-the-art technologies to your home or business. We are excited to be able to serve our rural areas with broadband services that will, in many cases, exceed those available in the Denver metro area.

Thank you for your patience, patronage, and friendship!!!!

FTTH (Fiber to the Home)

Stage 1

Design: Staking began in Early 2024.

Stage 2

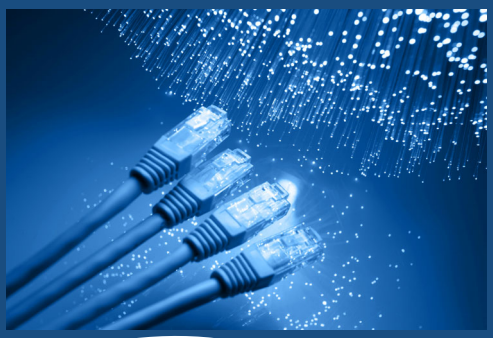
Contractor: Construction to begin in Late Spring /Early Summer 2025.

Stage 3

Duct & Fiber: The next step is to bury duct and/or fiber optic cable and mount necessary electronic equipment. This work will begin sometime after staking and a contractor is chosen.

Stage 4

Test and Turn-up: Once the fiber is placed, we will make contact with you to schedule a custom installation at the home.



Frequently Asked Questions…..

What kind of internet speeds will I have? Fiber has the capacity to deliver virtually unlimited internet speeds. The internet speeds available when the network construction is complete will be up to a GIG.

Will I be charged for the fiber optic network installation and activation? There will be no additional charges for your upgrade to fiber optics unless you choose to add new services to your account or upgrade your internet speeds.

Will getting fiber to my home disturb my yard or property? Though we may sometimes be required to dig across your yard to bury a new fiber line, our goal is to treat your property as if it were our own. We will always strive to promptly restore your property to a condition as close to original as possible. If you have questions or concerns about getting fiber to your home, please feel free to call us at 719-743-2441 or 888-999-3778.

I like my service the way it is now. Do I have to switch over to the new fiber? Yes, Eastern Slope will be moving all of its services in your area over to the fiber network at no additional cost to our members.

Will new equipment be installed at my home? For FTTH, the old NID you currently have on the exterior of your home will be replaced by a slightly larger ONT. Unlike copper or coaxial cable, fiber optic cable cannot provide electrical power to the devices that are connected to it. Therefore, power has to be supplied by a local source at your home or business. The cost to power this ONT is typically less than one dollar per month. In addition to standard AC power, a battery backup unit is required inside your house or business to allow telephone services to function in the event of a power outage.

Will fiber increase the value of my home? Fiber to the home could increase your home value by as much as 3.1%, according to the Fiber-To-The-Home Council information page.

FIBER UPGRADE

- Faster Broadband Speeds—Gig Capable
- Reliability
- Unlimited Bandwidth
- Increased Property Values
- Increased Quality of Life
- Brought to You by Your Local Cooperative

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