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Subject: RE: Update: Staunton Grant July 2021 Cycle

Greetings Staunton Community (Apologize in advance to residents that receive this message and have asked to be removed from the e-mail list)

A quick update on the Grant application: There are no appeals on Application Number S-2021-19: South Park Telephone – Staunton State Park grant award. Congratulations Again on receiving a CO Broadband Grant to provide a Fiber to the Premise (FTTP) network to 796 addresses identified in the grant application for the Staunton State Park Community.

Next Steps: SPT is in the process of performing a deep dive on the design to identify the most efficient deployment schedule to meet the two year construction timeline, there are some construction challenges, plus the permitting process with CDOT, Park County, JeffCo and IREA pole attachments may force us to tweak the design. Ideally, the sooner we request the permits the quicker we can begin construction. We have engaged and secured the necessary labor force to perform the engineering and construction work.

Finally, the lead time delivery on equipment and material is much longer now than in July 2021 when we submitted the grant application and SPT is working diligently to finalize a Bill of Materials (BOM) and place the necessary orders to minimize disruption in the construction process.

Timeline: The objective is to begin construction once all permits are approved and materials are on the ground, most likely in late Spring 2022. We will schedule a virtual meeting shortly with the community to review the process and for Q&A.

Yes, lots of moving parts with kicking off a project of this magnitude with a short construction time frame to complete the task. However, SPT is preparing to meet the challenge and will provide projects updates as we make available access to the fiber network.

Meanwhile, SPT encourages property owners that have yet to sign up for service to contact SPT @ 719.837.6400 for more information and/or complete the necessary information @ <u>SPT</u> Staunton State Park.

SPT is excited to kick-off this project and elated to serve the Staunton community with a robust fiber network!!

Please contact me with any questions.

Best.

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