The Edge

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Phase 2 _Inonoaklin Valley and Edgewood Broadband Project_

Why is this project needed? How will it benefit the Community of Edgewood?

We must provide opportunities for economic growth in technology if we expect to survive in this technological era. All aspects of society can benefit from and develop through understanding and utilizing world- wide Internet services specializing in education, bolstering business, servicing government and addressing complex health issues can be handled with the support of high speed Internet. Adult and youth education on line, e-business growth and virtual health service and senior support will be extended.

To ensure the region receives the maximum benefit the Edgewood Community Internet Society will actively educate residents, businesses, institutions, local governments, and community groups, on the applications and uses of the system.

- The Edgewood Community Internet Society will offer a sustainable Internet service at fair prices to every resident, educational institution, health facility, business, and community group, as well as police, fire, and emergency services in the region.
- Reliable access will enhance the quality of life in the Columbia Basin by fostering communication between families, improving access to services, increasing educational opportunities, enhancing health care services and increasing opportunities for business and economic development.
- The Edgewood Community Internet Society will provide reliable last minute connectivity in our region and connect the region to the outside world.
- To select the hardware and software that will provide and harden our base infrastructure for power outages and for the delivery of wireless broadband infrastructure to bring broadband into the Edgewood and Inonoaklin Valley area There are service facilities that must be kept on line, such as Interior Health, Clinic hospital and Yellow head Road and Bridge (highways) .
- Perform a site and client survey of the northeast and northwest of our rural community to identify the delivery to these areas.

The Edgewood Community Internet Society will find creative ways to work with governments, communities, and infrastructure providers and funding sources and service providers.

Project Description: Expansion and upgrade of the Edgewood Community Internet Society/Inonoaklin Valley Broadband project at _The Edge,_ deliver service Northwest to the Diamond, Northeast to the Barnes Creek Settlement and to the Whatshan Lake.

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Work Plan – what will be done and when

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- •Order materials-June 1-15, 2007
- •Excavation, tower base, tower- June 15-30, 2007
- •Access Point installation- June1-7, 2007
- •Client installations- July 7- August 30, 2007
- •Ongoing development September 1, 2007- June 2008

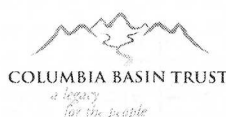Reminders: Women's Institute Meeting Thursday June 7th at 7:00pm LA Club Room

Edgewood Community Club Informational Meeting Tuesday June 5th 7:00pm Legion Hall