

## Broad Band for the Town of Neva

I got involved with the Langlade County Broadband Commission as a representative as the Town Chair of the Town of Neva and the 20<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor.

As most know, for this initial phase, we are getting broadband from Cirrinity.

January 21, 2025, was another meeting and Angi Close, Executive Director for the Langlade County Econ Dev Corp and the commission Chair, stated the Town of Neva project is ahead of schedule. ***It 'should' be done in July 2025.***

What we also talked about is the next project for High Speed Internet and the BEAD funding (Broadband, Equity, Access and Deployment).

This will fund the further expansion of High Speed for the Town of Neva, that will take place in 2026.

As we talked about at the last Town of Neva board meeting, on January 14, 2025, there is another ISP involved for the BEAD funding. **Cirrinity chose not to put in for this work.**

What also came up and this is long term, another ISP provider let know they are available and will compete for any 'internet wireless'. This is the putting up of 'pop up antennas' to get quality high speed out to more rurals, less dense population. The same speed as fiber but installation is far less. Again, this is the future for others in the Town of Neva.

All this funding is from the federal government and part of the massive Bipartisan Infrastructure Law passed in 2022.

**Doug Curler, Town Chair.**

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