



OTZ TELEPHONE VILLAGE CONNECT PROJECT

High Speed Internet in Each Community

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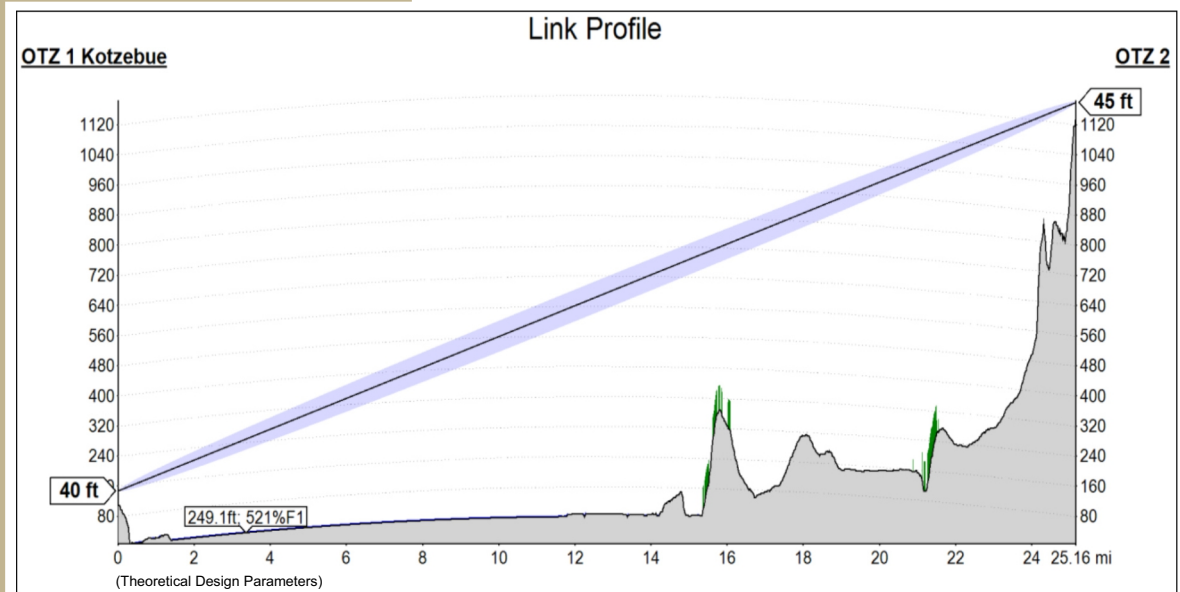
Project Benefits and Minimized Environmental Impacts

- Improved speeds and bandwidth
- Connectivity to existing land based fiber-optic lines at the Dalton Highway
- Provides system redundancy and improved reliability
- Improved telehealth and emergency response
- Improved economic development opportunities
- As a member-owned cooperative, OTZ is committed to rate transparency and community reinvestment
- Each tower site utilizes a very small footprint
- On-site power is provided by solar augmented by liquid propane fueled generators eliminating the risk of spills; refueling will occur annually (via helicopter)

This project ensures the sustainability of OTZ Telephone into the future

What's New?

The project will provide a network of 28 microwave paths on 19 new towers, 8 pole replacements and utilizing 2 existing sites from the Borough to the Dalton Highway to provide true broadband and streaming capable speeds with no data caps.



Current Status

Procurement is underway. Project construction has started and will finish in fall of 2024. The last of the permits to finish the project is anticipated late 2023. OTZ has received funding for the project from the U.S. Department of Agriculture/Rural Utilities Service.



