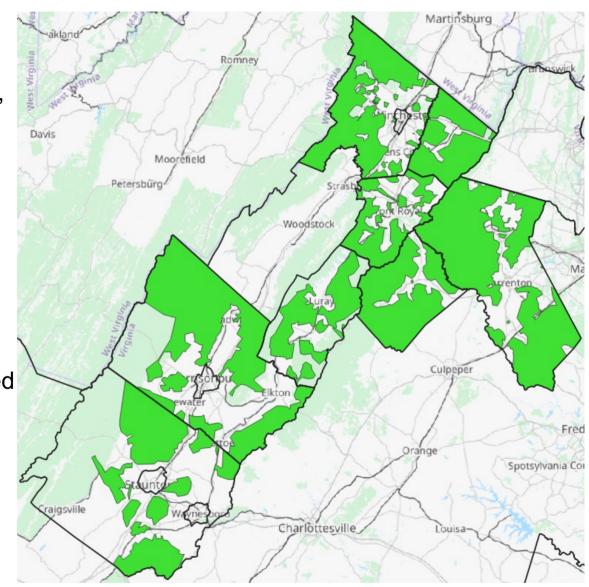


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VATI Project Overview

- ~\$300M project
- VATI grant awarded 7/2022, starting 36-month project timeline for substantial completion
- ~3,100 miles distribution fiber and middle mile infrastructure
- Making FTTH broadband available to 41,690 unserved locations
- In partnership with Dominion, Rappahannock Electric Cooperative, Shenandoah Valley Electric Cooperative



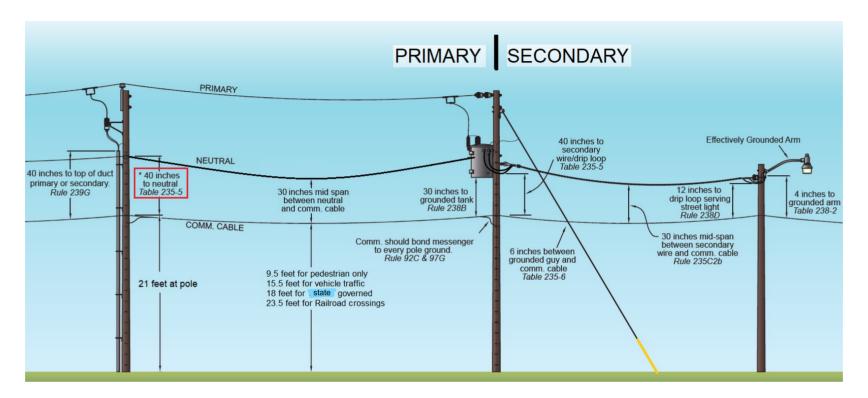
Project Status

- Key dependencies for last-mile deployment:
 - 1) Middle mile capacity in place
 - 2) Utility Pole Make Ready
 - 3) Significant queue of constructable miles
- Fiber network materials deliveries and inventory levels consistent with plan
 - Regional facilities in Front Royal and Mt Crawford
- Project-wide low-level design and utility pole fielding underway
 - Current focus on corrective action from underperforming joint vendor selected by SVEC & APB to perform make ready activities
- APB achieved initial contract milestones on schedule in Q4 2023 and received reimbursement approval in Q1 2024
 - Initial milestone represents ~20% of total county match, 33% VATI Milestone
 - Each county submission to be reviewed and submitted in sequence, with four counties remaining and to be scheduled
- APB anticipates updating the project timeline in the second half of 2024 based on then-current status of make ready and other dependencies

NSVRC Initiative Timeline

- Q1 2024: First set of reimbursements approved for APB on schedule; Challenge period for FY24 VATI closed without challenge; BEAD challenge expected to close resulting in 10-15k eligible locations in region (VATI remains priority #1); Dominion middle mile construction underway
- Q2 2024: Remittance submissions for first milestone to be completed; Last-mile fiber construction commences and is dependent on pole make-ready progress Augusta County initial focus of construction activity; BEAD program guidelines & eligible locations to be finalized
- Q3/4 2024:
 - Make-ready, middle-mile and last-mile construction ongoing
 - Commencement of customer installations in completed FSAs
 - BEAD application window opens
 - Update project schedule based on progress of make ready and other key dependencies

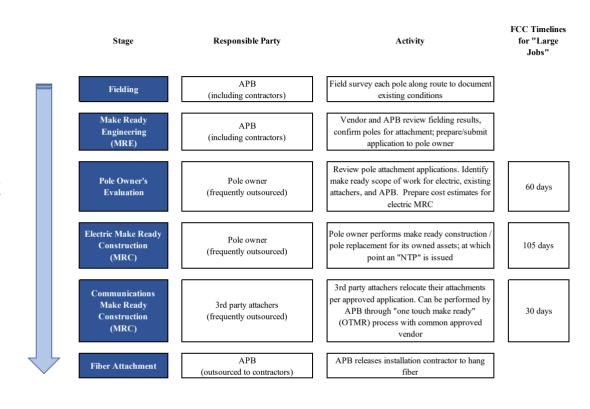
Why is Make Ready Required?



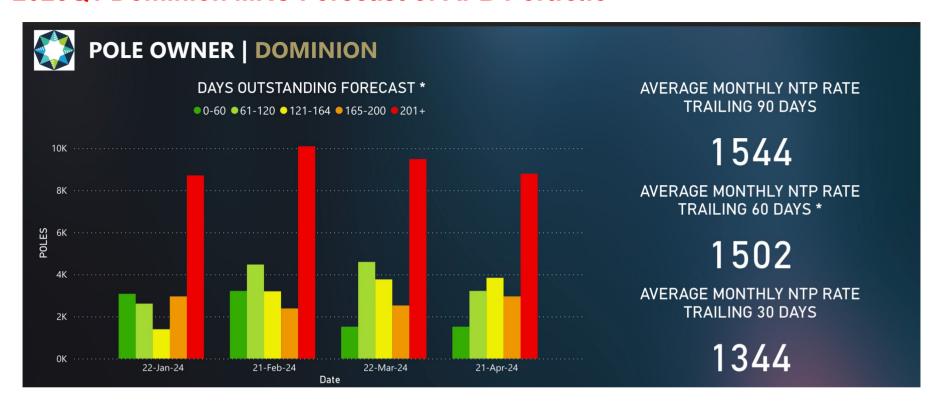
- The National Electric Safety Code (NESC) establishes certain minimum clearances that must be maintained between various components of the electric grid, telecommunications infrastructure, and the ground
- Some utilities condition access to their poles on compliance with requirements in addition to the NESC, such as the requirement to conduct Pole Loading Analysis (PLA) when certain conditions are present (span length, angle change, etc.)

Make Ready Process Overview (oversimplified)

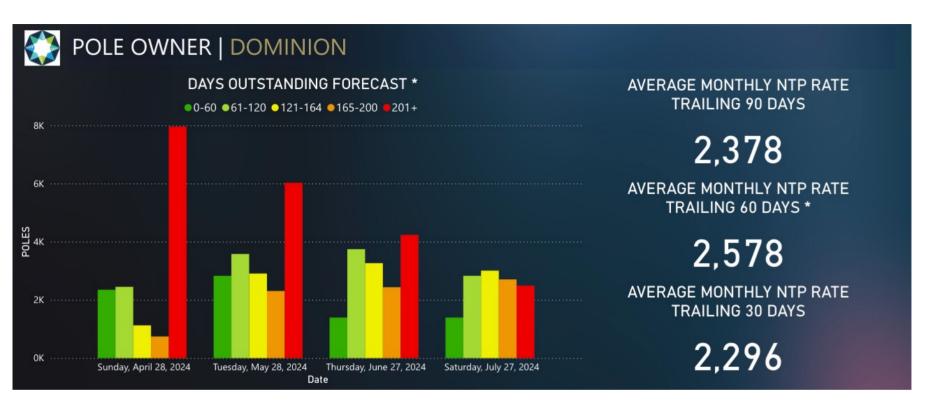
- FCC 165-day timeline for "large jobs" was basis for initial project schedule
- In light of the unprecedented activity underway in Virginia, make-ready timelines are not being realized
- REC and SVEC commitment to achieving ~1,250 poles/month of NTPs (system-wide)
- APB and SVEC coordinating to manage performance of shared vendor



2023Q1 Dominion MRC Forecast of APB Portfolio



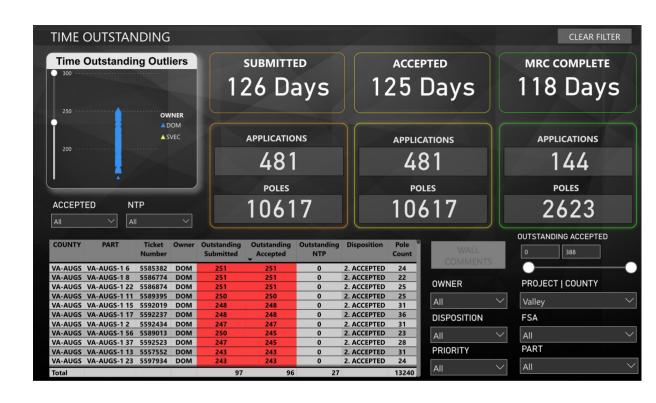
2023Q2 Dominion MRC Forecast of APB Portfolio



1k/month Increase in NTPs; Significant decrease in days outstanding forecast

2024Q1 Regional Update - Pole Attachment Status

- To date, APB has completed fielding on ~34,000 poles
- 10,617 poles are currently pending pole owner review
- 2623 poles have received Notice to Proceed (NTP)
- Oldest ticket pending for 251 days; average ticket pending 125 days

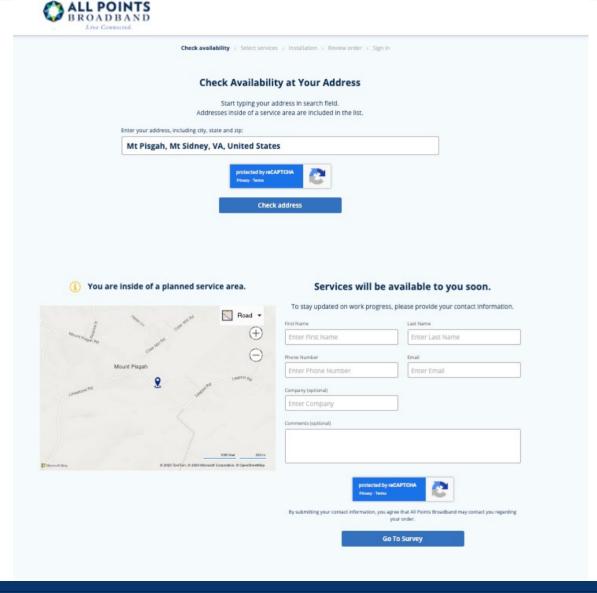


2024Q2 Regional Update - Pole Attachment Status

- To date, APB has completed fielding on ~36,000 poles
- 15,253 poles are currently pending pole owner review
- 3,223 poles have received Notice to Proceed (NTP)
- Oldest ticket pending for 349 days; average ticket pending 143 days
- APB and utility partners ramping make ready cadence to ~4,500 poles/month statewide



Website Reminder: APBfiber.com



- Send resident inquiries of service to APBfiber.com
- Residents can preregister for service and sign up for project updates
- Click "Go To Survey"
- Customers will be notified of service availability on a rolling basis ~90 days in advance

Remaining Eligible Locations Outside the FY22 VATI Project

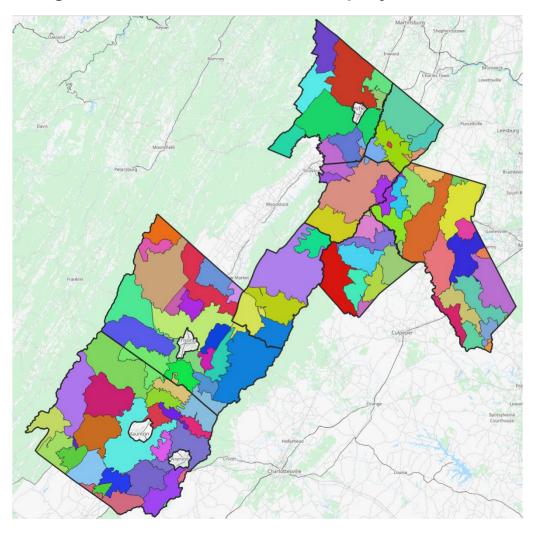
- The FY22 VATI grant is set for the specific locations included in the polygons included with the application that were not successfully challenged – FY22 VATI grant funding cannot be used for locations outside the approved project
- Because of changes in eligibility criteria and shift to new federal mapping, there
 are additional locations outside the project area eligible for additional state and/or
 federal broadband funding in the future
- APB and NSVRC applied for FY24 VATI funding where it is likely another RDOF winner will not fulfill its obligations;
 - BEAD is a superior program for vast majority of eligible locations
 - VATI FY24 application submitted for areas of Page County only
- APB expects to apply for BEAD funding for remaining BEAD-eligible locations in NSVRC project counties
 - No county match
 - APB was well prepared for the BEAD challenge process

Overview of Virginia's Implementation of BEAD (Infrastructure Act)

- BEAD applications must be submitted to served 95% of unserved and underserved locations (including community anchor institutions) within a specific Zip Code Tabulation Area (ZCTA)
- Providers have 90 days from Letter of Intent period to submit full BEAD application(s) for DHCD evaluation
 - Could begin in Sept/Oct 2024
 - Remaining <5% of locations will require direct engagement by DHCD and likely provider(s)
- Virginia's proposed scoring criteria (subject to NTIA approval) would prioritize cost efficiency, service pricing and other public policy objectives

ZCTAs in the NSVRC Project

• 141 ZCTAs in the eight counties of the NSVRC project.



BEAD Key Observations

- BEAD is a tool to supplement the VATI project and the guidelines/eligibility are still in unapproved stage
- APB's goals for BEAD
 - Aggressively pursue BEAD for missed/newly eligible areas in the NSVRC project area
 - Wherever possible, construct VATI and BEAD awarded areas simultaneously so there is no on-the-ground difference for residents
 - Ensure localities are informed and prepared during the challenge period
 - Obtain local support for all BEAD applications
- Estimated Timeline:
 - Q3 2024 Challenge results approved by NTIA; Letter of intent and initial applications submitted
 - Q4 2024 / Q1 2025 Full applications submitted and scored
 - Q1 2025 Awards announced; DHCD ISP engagement for remaining locations commences
- VATI project remains #1 priority

