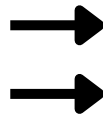




## Solving The Rural Broadband Challenge

Marion County began expanding rural broadband access in 2017. Following the completion of a needs analysis in the North Santiam Canyon and a Strategic Broadband Plan, Marion County has targeted four broadband goals.



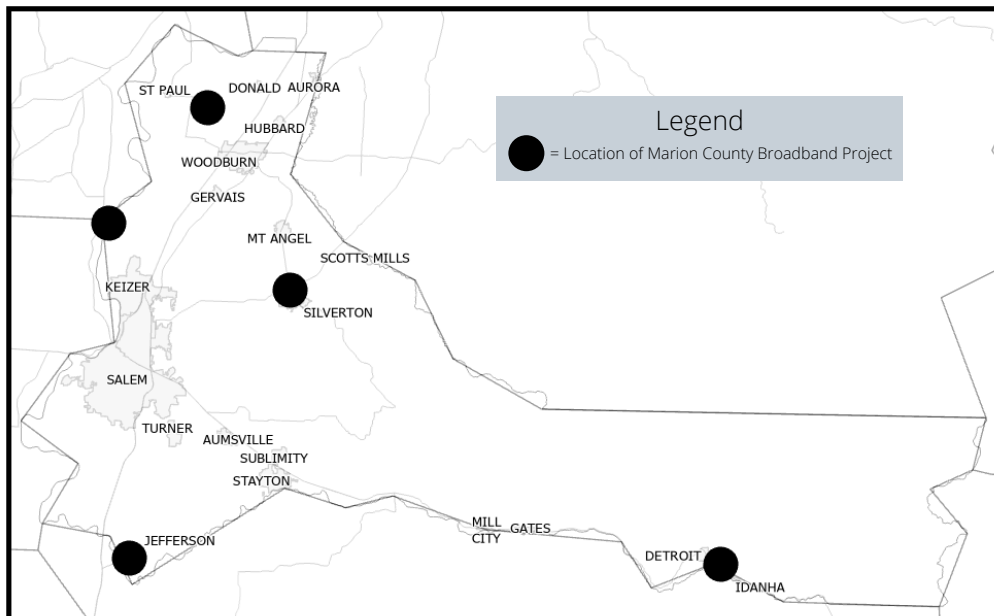
### Four Broadband Goals:

- Small City Policy Development
- Shared Trenching Policy in County Public Rights of Way
- Broadband Fiber Buildout in the North Santiam Canyon
- Broadband Fiber Buildout to Agricultural Communities and Businesses

## Projects To-Date

To successfully meet the County's goals for broadband, the Economic Development Program has completed the following to-date:

- Deployment Projects in Detroit and Idanha, as well as along Wheatland Rd., Methany Rd., and Arbor Grove Rd.
- Assisted Jefferson and Silverton in enacting broadband and 5G policies
- Developed a Shared Trench Policy for Marion County Public Works



## Broadband Generates Economic Value



514 rural connections



\$2,018,250 of added economic value within rural communities as of 2022

\*calculated using broadband impact estimates from the NRECA



\$10,036,650 of added economic value within rural communities by 2030

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