Bedford County VATI Project – Shentel
April 2024 Update

Project Summary

Shentel is working to provide fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) service to 3,204 underserved/unserved homes in Bedford County. In 1Q2024, this project was rescoped, reducing the total VATI passings to 3,204 (down from 4,734) and also allowing a one-year contract extension.

Milestones Completed

Currently, the engineering team is performing field walkout and design of the DSA areas proposed in the 2022 VATI award area. All areas will be released to construction by the third quarter of 2024.

General milestones:

- 345 miles High Level Engineering Design Routing completed
- 326 miles of permits submitted
- 333 miles with job packages (under review, pending permits)

Areas Under Construction

- Goode: (Roaring Run Road, Jersey Hill Road, Old Cifax Road, Hawkins Ridge Road) released to construction
- Goode: (460 from Bells Mill Road to Thomas Jefferson Road, Goode Road, Terrace View Road, Bellevue Road, Goode Station Road): 14.6 miles, 79 subsidy homes – complete release to sales
- Goode: (Goode Road, Bells Mill Road, remainder of Timber Ridge Road, Lowry Road, Founding Way Road): partial release to construction, 90 percent complete
- Big Island and Big Otter Backbone (14 miles) - released to construction (all permits received except VMRC areas) – start in April.

Areas in Engineering

- Goode: (Forest Road from Goode Station to Perrowville Road, Everett Road, Ivy Creek area, Cottontown Road, Coffee Road, Old Cifax Rad, Cifax Road)
- Bedford: (Moneta Road from Liberty High School down to Stony Fork, Joppa Mill Road, Dickerson Mill Road, Centerville Road, Peaks Road)
- Big Island area
- Big Otter area

Areas in Delay

Goode (Rt. 666/Elkton Farm Rd.): VDOT replacing bridge. New route and permits required.

Goode (Goode Road, Bells Mill Road, northern end of Timber Ridge Road, Lowry Road, Founding Way Road): Delayed due to railroad permits.

Overall Project Timeline

2022 Bedford County VATI Project – Contractual completion September 2025, extended by one year due to project rescope.