

# **Bedford County VATI Project – Shentel**

## **June 2024 Update**

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### **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 rescope, 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:

- 488 miles High Level Engineering Design Routing completed
- 397.6 miles of permits submitted
- 443 miles with job packages (under review, pending permits)

### **Areas Under Construction**

- Goode: (Goode Road, Bells Mill Road, remainder of Timber Ridge Road, Lowry Road, Founding Way Road): under construction, 3 railroad crossings complete
- Big Island and Big Otter Backbone (14 miles) – under construction (all permits received except VMRC areas)

### **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 (Goode Road, Bells Mill Road, northern end of Timber Ridge Road, Lowry Road, Founding Way Road): Delayed due to railroad permits. Will be complete July 2024.

### **Overall Project Timeline**

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