

Rural Project #3
Holland Marsh
Project Overview

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# CENGN Overview



#### **CENGN** Vision and Mission



Advancing global technology innovation for the prosperity of all Canadians



CENGN drives technology innovation and industry growth through our test bed, technical expertise, talent development, and partner ecosystem

# Solidifying Canada's Leadership in Networking

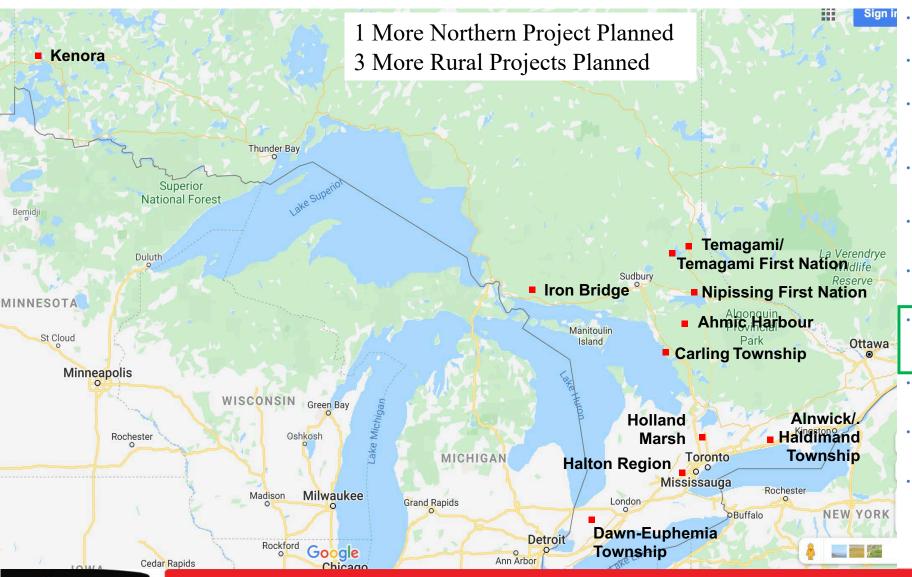




CENGN enables innovative tech solutions through its Rural & Northern Ontario Residential Broadband Program



## **CENGN** Residential Broadband Projects Underway



- Carling Township (near Parry Sound)

   Microwave middle km; FTTH

  - Network Operational FTTH Installs Ongoing
- Iron Bridge (near Sault Ste Marie)
  - Hybrid FWA incl. TVWS Network Operational FWA Installs Ongoing
- Dawn Euphemia Township (near Chatham-Kent)
   Multiple FWA: 5GHz WIFI, 24GHz MW, 3.65GHz LTE, 60GHz; FTTH in one village
   5GHz & LTE Service Operational, FWA installs ongoing. FTTH installs ongoing
- - Halton Region (Rural Milton Area)

     Hybrid FWA: 60 GHz, 5 GHz WIFI heavily meshed, distributed pole-based architecture
    - Installations starting July 2021
- Ahmic Harbour and Ahmic Lake
  - Hybrid FWA: 5.0 GHz WIFI, 3.65 GHz LTE
  - Installation of Towers July 2021
- **Alnwick/Haldimand Township** 
  - Micro-duct FTTH 20 km of Fibre
  - Installation Underway
- **Holland Marsh** 
  - 5G Distribution with 60GHz Wireless Backhaul
  - Planning Underway
  - Installation Starting Sept.2021
- Temagami/Temagami First Nation
  - 5GHz and TVWS Radio Distribution Across Large Lake
  - Installation Underway July 2021
- **Nipissing First Nation** 
  - Non-ground Penetrating Tower with TVWS/5GHz
  - Installation Starting July 2021
- City of Kenora (Northern Lake region)
  - Use of Tree Points of Presence for Distribution + FTTH
  - Installation Starting July 2021

#### Compile Collection of Blueprints for Broadband Innovation

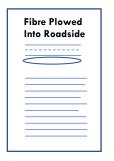




















**High on Innovation** 

Low on Cost



## Focusing on Micro-Projects

- Many small northern & rural communities only have 100-500 permanent or year-round homes within a 3-5 km radius of the centre of the hamlet or village
- Some communities double the number of users in the summer months

#### **Key Properties of Micro-Projects**

- These communities are too small to justify more than \$150,000 \$500,000 Investment by WISPs
- \$150,000 to \$500,000 contribution by government funding can launch the project
- ROI typically can be within 2-4 years with 50% government funding
- Excellent service result for community with on-going investment by ISP
- Single committed technology company or WISP makes sense for very small communities



# Project Overview



#### **Holland Marsh Area**











Long wide valley



Huge drop in elevation from the highway



Demographics – farmers, businesses, migrant workers



Sparse tree cover – wide open space



Properties located on the edge



Environmentallysensitive area floodplain, soft soils



Widely underserved

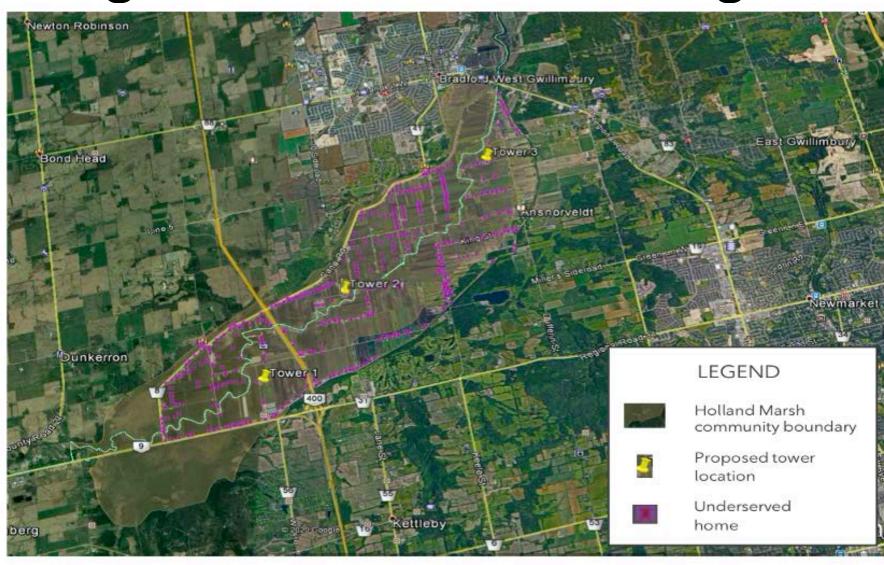


# Technology Overview



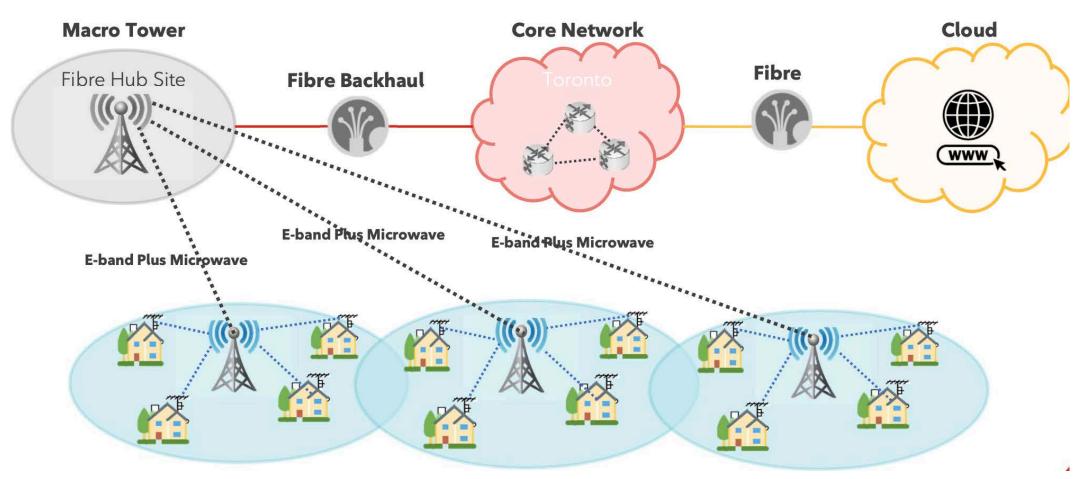
# Proposed High Level Network Design

- Three low-profile, monopole towers distributed along the length of the valley
- Tower placement optimized for best customer service support
- Tower size and placement optimized to minimize visual impact
- Design optimized to get services installed and implemented quickly
- Network design will support key deliverables of:
  - Significantly improved high-speed internet access
  - Significantly improved cellular services
  - New precision agriculture wireless service access





## Extending broadband to Holland Marsh

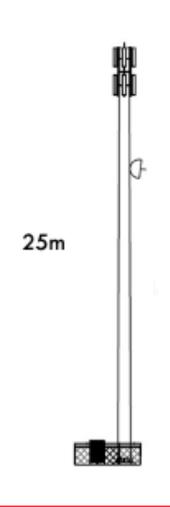


Holland Marsh Area: Three new towers to address ~480 households that will be outfitted with external antennas



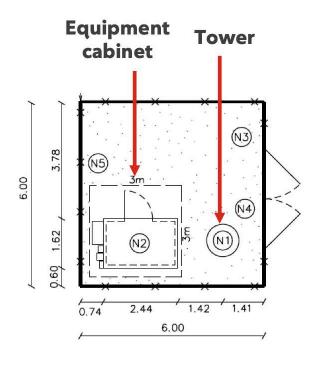
# Low Profile Monopole Tower Selected





#### **Typical Compound Size**

Range 6 meters x 6 meters to 10 meters x10 meters





# Comparing Visual Impacts of Rural Tower Solutions

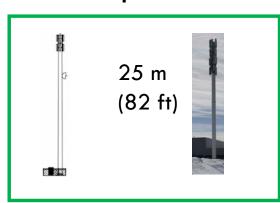
Lowest Visual Impact

As viewed from distance of 150 m

Highest Visual Impact

350 ' Radio Tower

#### **Monopole Tower**



36.5 m (120 ft)



36.5 m (120 ft)



**Typical Grain Elevator** 



# View of Monopole Tower vs Conventional Telcom Tower from Distance of 150m

Monopole Tower (3 Towers Required)



**Much Lower Visual Impact** 



Very small footprint (no farmland loss)



**No Flashing Lights Required** 



No guy wires



107m (350 ft) Radio Tower



**Much Higher Visual Impact** 



**Much Larger Footprint** 

(would require expansion onto farmland to secure guy wires)



Flashing Lights Required



Guy wires Required

(difficult to work around for farming)





# Tower and Network Design Considerations



Minimize Visual Impact of Towers



Maximize Service Delivery to Holland Marsh Residents



Minimize or eliminate impact on working farmland



Minimize Impact to Private Landowners by Selecting Municipal Owned Property



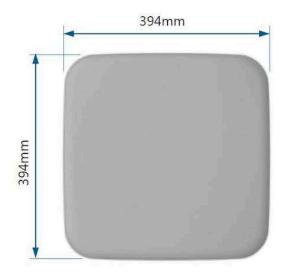
Improve internet services, cellular services, and support precision agriculture through wireless support for farmers.



# **Customer Premise Equipment**

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thernet	2.5G	
Vi-Fi	802.11n	
Antenna	Outdoor high gain antenna	
Px rating	IP67	
JSIM	2FF	





# **Technology Innovation**



E Band Plus combines E Band (multi-Gbps) Microwave with high availability traditional lower band Microwave for backhaul solution (up to 10Gbps backhaul)



5G Fixed Wireless Access proposed for last km solution to rural residents



Massive MIMO antennae enable higher spectral efficiency and more capacity



Improved 4G cellular services to improve cellular coverage in the Holland Marsh



High-Speed Internet support for wireless precision agriculture for field-based IoT sensors and autonomous farming equipment



# **New Service Connections**



#### Your Community Service Provider - Rogers



**Largest Wireless Provider in Canada** 

#### By The Numbers

1960 Founded

~25,300 Employees

\$15.1B Total Revenue

\$39.0B Total Assets

10.9M Wireless subscribers

2.6M Internet subscribers

#### History of Innovation

- Launch of Rogers Cable TV in 1967
- Introduction of wireless network in 1985
- First to offer Broadband Internet services in Canada in 1995
- Canada's first and only wireless GSM network since 2001
- North America's first HSPA+ Network in 2009
- First LTE wireless network in Canada in 2011
- Launched Gigabit Internet from 2014-15
- We rolled out LTE-M in 2018
- First 5G Network in Canada in 2020



# New Service Details for Holland Marsh Residents



## **New Internet Services for the Community**

#### **Residential Broadband Service Offerings**

- 25 Mbps Download / 5 Mbps Upload (250GB Cap)
- 25 Mbps Download / 5 Mbps Upload (500GB Cap)
- 50 Mbps Download /10 Mbps Upload (350GB Cap)
- **5** 74.99 per Month
- **\$ 84.99 per Month**
- \$ 149.50 per Month



# Schedule Overview



# Deployment Schedule Overview

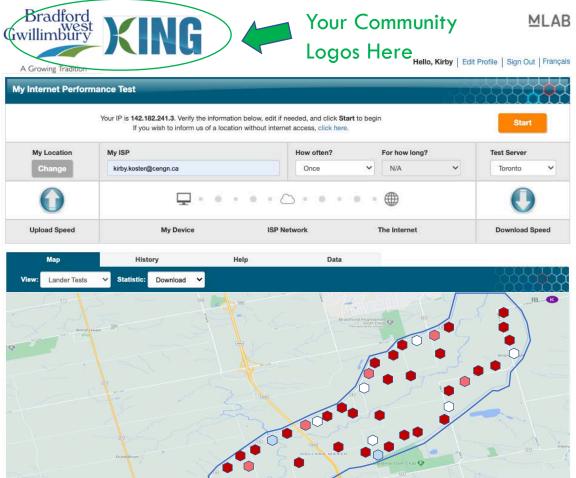
<b>Project Milestones</b>	Start Date	End Date
<b>Municipal Coordination</b>	March 2021	June 2021
<b>Public Consultation</b>	July 2021	August 2021
Permits	June 2021	July 2021
Construction	September 2021	November 2021
Network In-Service	December 2021	January 2022



# Testing and Monitoring Performance



# Testing Your Internet Access Performance in Holland Marsh Marsh



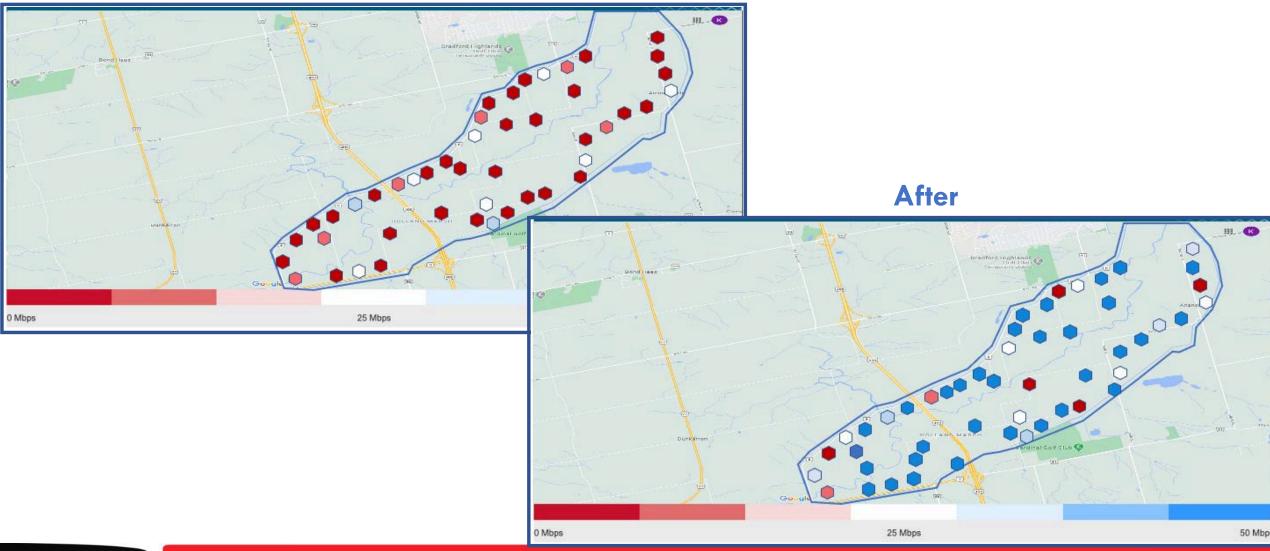
25 Mbps 80 Tests Run in Holland Marsh

- CENGN will be paying for an Internet Performance Tool customized for Holland Marsh
- Offers visual representation of how the existing service is performing for the community
- Allows tracking of improvement as more residents get connected to the new services
- Monitors connection for up to a year after installation
- No charge to use the tool for residents
- No charge to use the tool for the community

**Built by CIRA** 

#### Visualizing Your Internet Access Performance Improvements







# Community Benefits of Project



Very high Internet access/backhaul capacity for future needs



Future-proof 5G Fixed Wireless Access for rural residents



Choice of new high performance 25/5 and 50/10 broadband internet access



Significantly improved 4G cellular services in the Holland Marsh area



High Speed internet access for agri-businesses in the Holland Marsh



Access to LTE and LTE-M service for precision farming and IoT devices





# THANK YOU!

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