



## Visionary Broadband Completes Hardin Fiber Internet Project, Begins Installation in Whitehall

*Underserved communities receive cutting-edge connectivity*



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**BUTTE, Mont. (Dec. 10, 2024)** – Residents of Hardin now have access to reliable, high-speed fiber internet from Visionary Broadband following the successful completion of a broadband expansion project under the ConnectMT program. Efforts to bring the same service to Whitehall are underway.

These projects, funded in part by federal Capital Projects Fund (CPF) grants, address a longstanding need in communities that have been underserved due to economic and geographic challenges.

Visionary Broadband’s efforts underscore the company's mission to connect hard-to-reach communities with reliable, high-speed internet.

“Montana’s commitment to broadband is unmatched. Thanks to the state’s leadership with ConnectMT, we’re able to bring transformative high-speed internet to Hardin and Whitehall,” said Brian Worthen, CEO of Visionary Broadband. “These projects mean more

opportunities for families and businesses in our local communities — ensuring they're equipped with future-proof broadband that rivals services in larger cities.”

Whitehall Mayor Mary Hensleigh praised the project, emphasizing its impact on the community.

“For years, families and businesses in Whitehall have faced challenges keeping up with advancing technology — whether it's connecting to video meetings for work or streaming movies at home. Now, thanks to this partnership, we are part of the digital future. This project will drive economic opportunities and improve the quality of life for everyone in our community,” she said.

Hardin and Whitehall are part of Visionary Broadband's larger commitment to delivering broadband to communities that have been overlooked by other providers due to geographic or economic challenges.

“We've always believed that no matter how small or remote a community is, it deserves access to the same opportunities as any other,” said Visionary Broadband CEO Brian Worthen said. “Projects like these reaffirm our commitment to connecting every corner of the Rockies.”

The fiber network completed in Hardin and Whitehall now supports gigabit-speed connections, empowering households and businesses to thrive in an increasingly digital world.

### **About Visionary Broadband**

Visionary Broadband was founded in 1994 in a rural community in Wyoming. It is a homegrown company that has developed technical abilities with a focus on reliability. Today, the rural internet provider serves five states and has a proven track record of connecting the most rural communities, bringing a commitment of efficiency, reliability, and affordability to its customers. To learn more visit, [vcn.com](http://vcn.com).

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