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The PSC has released a Draft Broadband Investment Plan for Region 2 *Now Accepting Public Comments*



MADISON- The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin appointed eighteen community leaders from the area to the Broadband Planning Team representing North Central Wisconsin. The Broadband Planning Team consists of members from Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, Oneida and Vilas Counties. After considerable preliminary work, and numerous meetings, the Team has drafted a preliminary plan and seeks public comments.

The “Region 2 Broadband Planning Team” has been meeting regularly since last fall to create an action plan to address gaps in broadband availability and improve the adoption of available broadband services. The Region 2 Broadband Planning Team reflected a number of proposals and options. The draft plan is designed to enhance the regional economic development by expanding broadband access/adoption among second home owners.

The Team seeks public review and input on the current draft plan. The plan is available on-line at: <http://tinyurl.com/3z6orlj>. For those who may not presently have Internet access, the plan can be reviewed by accessing the Internet at local libraries and other public locations throughout the region.

How to Comment: You can comment on the website, using the “Comment” button, or at <http://tinyurl.com/3oryt4u>. You may also direct your comments to Jeff Richter at the PSC, via email jeff.richter@wisconsin.gov or via phone at (608) 267-9624.



For more information on team members and the process to date see our website at: <http://tinyurl.com/3j8d8gj>. This planning effort is part of the PSC’s larger LinkWisconsin initiative, which includes mapping of broadband availability, under a federal stimulus grant. The broadband map is available at: <http://wi.linkamericadata.org/>. Plans for other regions of the state will be available in the near future, and can be reviewed at <http://tinyurl.com/3t6l7hr>.

Questions on the draft plan can be addressed to Don Sidlowski, Town Chairman, Three Lakes, WI, via phone at (715) 522-0009, or the team leader, Bart Lamers, Vice President - Finance & Operations, One Prospect Technologies, via phone at (715) 369-1119. Questions on the regional broadband planning efforts can be addressed via phone to either Jeff Richter with the PSC at (608) 267-9624 or Bill Gillis with LinkWisconsin via phone at (509)432-4243, or via e-mail at jeff.richter@wisconsin.gov or bill.gillis@gmail.com.

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