



Eastport Fiber Update

Eastport Fiber Connectivity Initiative (EFCI)

8 February 2023



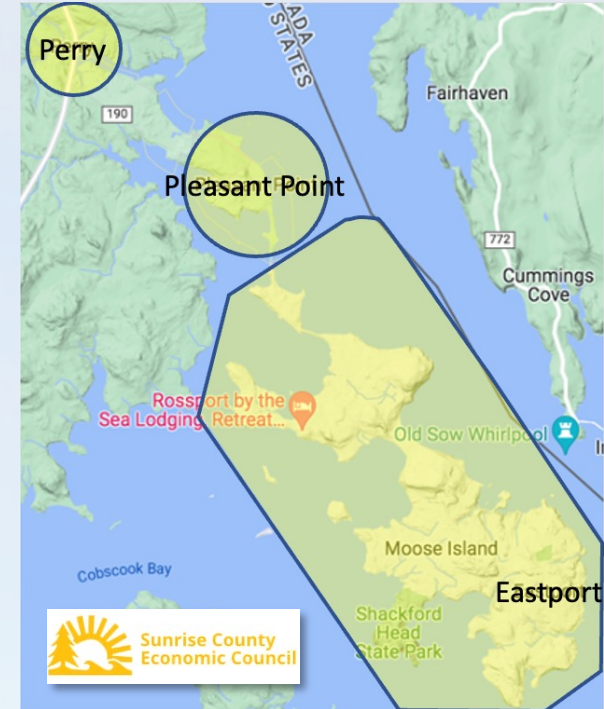
MCA Update



- MCA providing a technology & consulting resource
- NO COST or obligation to Eastport or its residents

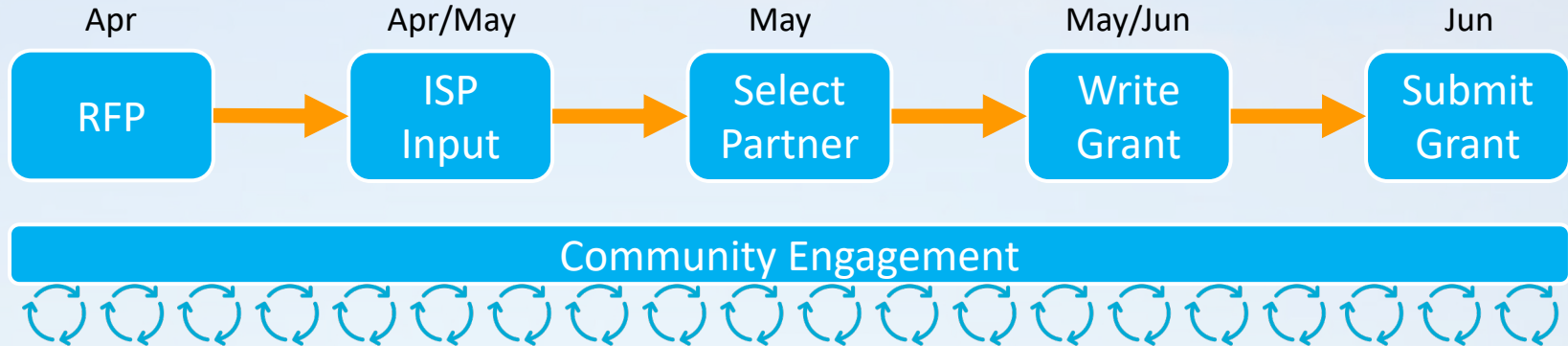
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- Network deployment + IT professional services & consulting
- High-level engineering design/costs to submit grant
- Request for Proposal (RFP) template to engage ISPs



Bottom Line

- **Delivers high-level design** for RFPs and Connect-the-Ready grant
- Shifts **detailed low-level engineering design/cost** into grant funding
- **Saves Eastport thousands** of dollars of RFP consulting cost
- Provides **RFP & grant request review** prior to submission



MCA Grant Submission

- Window moved from March to June
- Highly competitive
 - New community grant submissions
 - Round 1 communities that weren't selected
- Eastport, Sipayik, and Perry collaboration adds value



Underway

- Chamber of Commerce & business owner breakfast meeting
 - 14 February in the Port Authority
 - Update business stakeholders
 - Chamber of Commerce members
 - Traditional brick & mortar businesses
 - On-line businesses
 - Remote workers
- New [Resident](#) and [Business](#) Fiber Surveys
 - On-line
 - Paper (city hall, IGA, library, senior center and others)
 - Turn-in at city hall
- Coordinating first of a series of Resident events



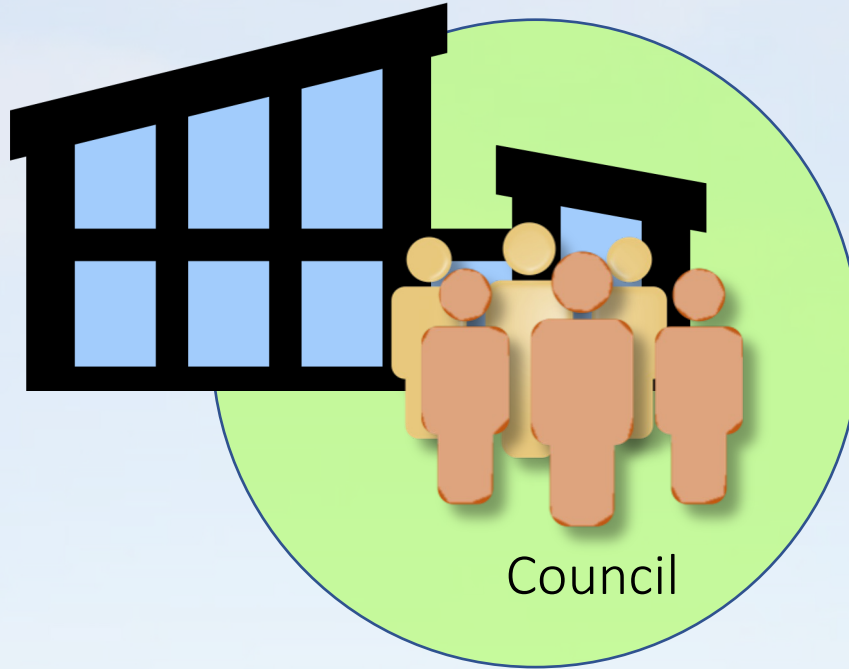
Resident



Business



Council Discussion & Questions



Fiber connectivity committee members:

- Ken burke - vice chair/secretary
- Melissa mitchell
- Josh nicholson
- Paul sheehy
- Mark wigley – chair

Council liaison

- Jeanne peacock

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