

Bedford County VATI Projects – Shentel

January 2025 Update

Project 1 Summary (Awarded in 2022 and includes northeast quadrant of Bedford County, from Forest into the Town of Bedford)

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. Contractual completion September 2025, extended by one year due to project rescope.

Project 1 Milestones Completed

370 miles High Level Engineering Design Routing Completed

344 miles of permits submitted

366 miles with job packages (under review, pending permits)

Subsidy Passings = 1921

Subscribers = 456

Construction completed = 172.1 miles

Project 1 Ongoing Activities

Under construction:

- Big Otter Area – 19 miles / 188 homes
- Big Island Area – 17 miles / 136 homes

Upcoming release to construction in January/February:

- Goode Area – 10 miles / 165 homes
- Big Otter Area – 4 miles / 87 homes
- Big Island Area – 10 miles / 83 homes

Engineering:

- Goode Area – pending permitting
- Bedford Area – pending permitting
- Big Island Area – pending permitting
- Big Otter Area – pending permitting

Project 2 Summary (Awarded in 2023 and centers around the Cifax and Charlemont communities)

Shentel is working to provide fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) service to 565 underserved/unserved homes in Bedford County. Shentel is completing the project simultaneous with its 2022 project.

Project 2 Milestones Completed

118 miles High Level Engineering Design Routing Completed

77 miles with job packages (under review, pending permits)

Subsidy Passings = 258

Construction completed = 9.3 miles

Project 2 Ongoing Activities

Under construction:

- Big Otter Area – 30 miles / 283 homes
- Bedford Area – 5 miles / 62 homes
- Big Island Area – 2 miles / 73 homes

Upcoming release to construction in January/February:

- Big Otter Area – 5 miles / 64 homes
- Big Island Area – 10 miles / 17 homes