



Top Level Summary: Fiber broadband construction continues in Lakewood. In January, 385,000 linear feet was approved for construction (3x target). A second Vendor has been onboarded; pace is expected to increase month-over-month. GFiber is seeking approval for a hardscape deployment on curbless streets in preference to softscape due to snow cover and moisture. As expected, weather conditions in February and March thaw will dictate construction pace.

Monthly Newsletter: January '24 Edition!

Greetings from the local GFiber Team!

In an effort to keep all informed, we are sharing brief monthly updates of our progress to bring fast, affordable, and reliable internet to the community, and where we are in our journey together.

Detailed Design & Permitting

We are happy to report in the month of January an incremental 385,000 linear feet was permitted and approved for construction within the City of Lakewood! This represents 3x our monthly target, and 2.5x last month's achievement. A big THANK YOU to the Public Works department for working closely with our Teams. This footage runway will provide our Vendor resources a continuous work scope that supports our intention to scale the program.

GFiber will still be pursuing permit approval(s) for remaining traditional bore footage that will complete many of the first pathways to the first customers being served. As well as exploratory pothole permits needed for H2 build plans both North and South of 6th Ave.

Construction

Construction efforts are underway and continue in multiple locations within city limits. GFiber onboarded a second Prime Vendor at the end of January and we expect construction pace to increase with additional resources, improved weather conditions, and as the construction machine transitions focus toward neighborhood pathways.

A few permit boundaries have a high percentage of curbless streets, and given current snow/moisture conditions it makes construction feasibility within the softscape inaccessible. GFiber is looking to gather alignment on a preferential hardscape deployment on curbless streets so that the build may continue and these areas of the community can have access to our fiber broadband service.

-GFiber Team