



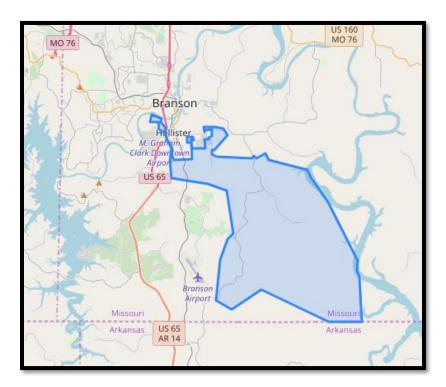
White River Connect News Release

Contact:

Jamie Dopp, Manager of Marketing and Communications O: (417) 335-9216, C: (417) 425-8739 jdopp@whiteriver.org

NEWS RELEASE

White River Connect now signing up customers for high-speed internet



Branson, Missouri –White River Connect, a subsidiary of White River Valley Electric Cooperative, is now signing up customers in parts of Kirbyville and Hollister for its high-speed fiber internet service.

"Communities in rural areas of our service territory have been patiently waiting for high-speed internet", said White River Connect CEO Beau Jackson. "High-speed internet is no longer a luxury, but a necessity. We look forward to seeing how having access to fiber internet will improve the lives of our neighbors."

Construction began on White River Connect in June of 2023. The project, which will provide internet to rural areas of Christian, Douglas, Ozark, Stone, and Taney Counties. It is expected to take four years to complete and will cover over 4,200 miles of fiber.

Residents can visit <u>https://www.whiteriverconnect.com</u> to view the map of service availability and sign up for service in those areas. People can also pre-register for areas coming soon.

For more information about White River Valley Electric Cooperative's fiber-to-the-home project, White River Connect, visit <u>https://www.whiteriverconnect.com</u>.

###

About White River Connect

White River Connect, the fiber subsidiary of <u>White River Valley Electric Cooperative</u>, is dedicated to bringing high-speed internet to rural Missouri counties including Ozark, Taney, Stone, Christian and Douglas

About WRVEC

<u>White River Valley Electric Cooperative</u> is a <u>Touchstone Energy Cooperative</u> dedicated to ensuring our members receive safe and reliable service in their homes and businesses across five southwest Missouri counties including Ozark, Taney, Stone, Christian and Douglas.