### The Road to Fiber

## What it Takes to Get Fiber Internet to Your Home

Your connection to The BiG GiG® Fiber Network is coming! We're improving infrastructure in your community so you can do more online.

Establishing a world-class fiber network is no small endeavor. Here's a look at nine phases required to bring fiber to your home.





### 1. Design and Engineering

Your engineering team evaluates the neighborhood and layout to determine the most efficient way to serve the community.



### 2. Purchasing

Whidbey Telecom procures miles and miles of fiber optic lines.



### 4. Construction

Our construction teams dig trenches, build conduit channels for protecting the fiber lines and place junction boxes to establish the backbone of the network.



### 3. Permitting

We secure various city and county permits to begin construction.



### Road Block

This can be delayed by supply chain and shipping issues.



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Harsh marine weather, topographic challenges, and archaeological findings can cause delays.



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### 5. Line Installation

When the underground network is fully established, our crews install the fiber lines into the protective conduit.



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### 7. The Drop

Your crew buries a fiber optic drop line from the home to the street.





### 6. Fiber Splicing

Your fiber team connects the tiny strands of fiber glass across all of the junctions.



#### 8. The Home Run

Your friendly, professional, local installer visits your home to activate the service and help get your devices online.



### 9. You're Connected!

Unlimited Internet access! No data caps, no throttling, only synchronous upload and download speeds up to a GiG!





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