

FIRST PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT 2010



<p>1. Recipient Organization (<i>Name and complete address including zip code</i>) Silver Star Telephone Company, INC. 104101 US Hwy 89, Stop 2 Freedom WY 83120-8809</p>	<p>2. Award Identification Number NT10BIX5570078</p>
<p>3. Performance Narrative (Q1) <i>Please describe your project activities and progress for the first quarter of your award period. This should include a description of federal expenditures to date, key milestones, the primary activities needed to accomplish those milestones, significant project accomplishments, and any delays or challenges. Please use the milestone categories provided in your baseline report (e.g., environmental assessment, design, rights of way) to structure your answer. (500 words or less)</i></p> <p>Recipient has expended no federal dollars to date. Recipient has focused its efforts on environmental assessment activities, stakeholder presentations and general grant management activities.</p> <p>The environmental assessment is approximately 38% complete and is being conducted by the project environmental consultant. This project task is on target for scheduled submission of completed environmental assessment by January 2, 2011, as required in the special award conditions.</p> <p>Recipient has completed the project preliminary design, based on consultations with permitting agencies, which include the U.S. Forest Service, Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming Department of Transportation, Teton County, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Town of Jackson. To date, recipient has encountered no insurmountable delays or challenges.</p> <p>Recipient has met two of the deadlines stated in the special award conditions: Accounting System Verification, due July 31, 2010 and Costs Duplication Removal, due August 31, 2010. Recipient has filed its revised budget and related documentation associated with route duplication costs in conjunction with this award.</p> <p>Recipient has met with various federal, state and local public agencies and stakeholders, discussing the project purposes and benefits. As an ARRA-BTOP funded project, local communities should see benefits from this project by year-end 2013 in the form of accessible high speed internet service, community anchor/public service institutions connectivity and economic growth in distressed, affected areas. Project publicity pieces include articles in the Jackson Hole News & Guide on July 6 and August 25, as well as information posted to Recipient's website: www.silverstar.com.</p>	
<p>4. Performance Projections (Q2) <i>Please describe your anticipated project activities and progress for the next quarter. This should include a description of federal expenditures, key milestones, the primary activities needed to accomplish those milestones, significant project accomplishments, and any potential delays or challenges you foresee. Please use the milestone categories provided in your baseline report (e.g., environmental assessment, design, rights of way) to structure your answer. (500 words or less)</i></p>	

Recipient anticipates no federal expenditures for project quarter ending 12/31/10.

The major key milestone for quarter ending 12/31/10 is the completion of the environmental assessment. Recipient expects the environmental assessment to be completed and submitted by the due date of January 2, 2011. The assessment encompasses consultant and agency technical reports and maps of the areas affected by the funded route facilities.

Recipient will continue the process to obtain the necessary permits for facilities construction; agencies from which recipient will require permits include the U.S. Forest Service, Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming Department of Transportation, Teton County, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Town of Jackson. Recipient anticipates no insurmountable delays or challenges.

5. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purposes set forth in the award documents.

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5b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official 	5e. Date Report Submitted (<i>Month, Day, Year</i>) 10-29-2010

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