

# SWIFT PROJECT UPDATE

June 30, 2020



### RECENT SWIFT PROGRESS





- Phase 2 (Pilot) Approval
  - May 2019
- Pilot Procurement / Prov. Reports
  - May-Nov
- Phase 3 Approval
  - March 2020
- Phase 3 Procurement
  - March Dec 2020

# TOWN OF CAEEDON

# CURRENT SITUATION





	Total	Underserved	%
Road KMs	1,021 KM	625 KM	61%
Parcels	22,934	5,679	25%

- ~9.1 premises/km in underserved areas
- ISPs are typically not going to serve these areas without subsidy
- WISPs may target some areas, but service is typically spotty and unreliable
- ~\$40M to fiberize all underserved roads in Caledon (we have \$5M)

# CK BUDGET AND KPIS





8.2x

- Capital Contribution
  - Gross Contribution \$634K
- Project Budget
  - Fed/Prov Contribution \$3.5M
    - ISP Contribution \$1.7M
    - Budget Project Total \$5.2M
- KPI Targets (from CA3)
  - Premises Passed 1,222
    - Fibre KMs 75

## PROCUREMENT STATUS





- RFP Issued 09-Mar-20
- RFP Closed 12-Jun-20
- Evaluation underway
- Contracts to be awarded by end of July
- Province to make announcements following award of contracts



# PROCUREMENT

# TECHNOLOGY CHOICES



- Small Communities Fund is focused on 50/10 service, not technology choices
- Technologies
  - FTTH
  - HFC
  - DSL
  - Wireless Broadband
- Preference given to 'scalable' technologies

SWIFT is technology agnostic and will allow bids that include any 'standardsbased' technologies so long as they meet the 50/10 target

# PROCUREMENT APPROACH





- Anonymized 50/10 service coverage provided by SWIFT
- Areas with current 50/10 service are ineligible for funding
- ISPs will decide which areas and technologies to propose
- SWIFT Evaluation Committee will evaluate proposals focusing on outcomes
- Board Procurement Advisory Committee (PAC) validates / approves
- SWIFT is funding access to end users and is no longer pursuing a redundant core backbone network in Southwestern Ontario

# STAFF EVALUATION TEAM





- Evaluation based on pre-determined criteria
- Team Members (equal weight)
  - SWIFT Technical Manager
  - SWIFT Operations Manager
  - SWIFT Finance
  - Municipality Member (Caledon IT Mgr)

Proposal evaluation and contract awards to be approved by SWIFT board of directors Procurement Approval Committee (PAC)

# Key Messages





- Caledon receiving minimum 8.2x multiplier on net contribution
- SWIFT focussed on providing access to end users and not a redundant core backbone throughout Southwestern Ontario
- SCF funding does not allow us to dictate fibreonly projects (must be technology agnostic)
- SWIFT is targeting 22% of premises in Southwestern Ontario but will not solve the whole problem
- Municipalities should push for their share of CRTC Fund and Universal Broadband Fund and should support all ISP proposals in their area
- Expect Caledon projects to start construction in 2021

