

# BRISTOL BAY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE NEWSLETTER

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## **BRISTOL BAY TELEPHONE**

### **USDA Reconnect 3 Project Update**

BBTC is in the home stretch with completing the environmental phase of this project. During the last 30 days, engineers completed the last of the field survey work needed to complete and verify staking sheets and project bid packages.

We are still working with the Bureau of Land Management for two portions of land we propose to cross that will provide our Northern villages with broadband connections to the outside world. We are not clear when BLM will complete, based on information from meetings, it is possible they will complete by July of 2025. Unfortunately, the work we hoped to complete this spring will be pushed back to this time in year 2026.

Within the boundaries of the Bristol Bay Borough, the NPS is working to complete permitting for our work within the ADOT highway ROW 100' West of our main office, the utility corridor of the Lake Camp Road ROW at Pikes Lake starting at the NEA Geothermal Project driveway and the portion of the project that would install service drops to the Katmai National Park Maintenance facility in King Salmon. Please note NPS permitting should not result in any project construction delays.

### **BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE**

- First off, we would like to thank everyone who participated in our Back-to-School Drive. We were not only able to provide school supplies but also winter gear for students in our local areas. We will continue collecting donations through out the year and will host this annually. If you would like to send a donation or have a student in need please reach out to our Customer Service Reps.

### **2025 SCHOLARSHIPS**

- Bristol Bay Telephone Cooperative, INC Scholarship is open until April 15th, 2025. To apply visit our website: [www.bristolbay.com/scholarship](http://www.bristolbay.com/scholarship)
- Alaska Telecom Association (ATA) offers scholarships for Alaska resident students to attend accredited higher education and vocational institutions. The 2025 ATA scholarship application period is now open with a deadline of Friday April 4, 2025. [www.alaskatel.org/scholarships](http://www.alaskatel.org/scholarships)

## **BRISTOL BAY CELLULAR**

### **2025 SEASONAL RENEWALS**

- Bristol Bay Cellular Seasonal customers, Renewals will be sent out this month so please keep an eye out for yours. Please read through the renewal packet as we will have some changes to plans, pricing, and device updates. You will also find these renewals online at [www.bristolbay.com](http://www.bristolbay.com), where you will be able to submit your renewal straight from our website.

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

### **CPNI Renewal 2025**

- Customer Proprietary Network Information form will be sent out with billing for March 2025. Please fill in the form completely with requested information. Return the form back to our office by mail or email or bring it in personally. This form help gives you or others access to your account.

### **SmartHub Portal**

- Bristol Bay Telephone offers a online payment portal for all customers. SmartHub allows you to pay your bill, check your balance on your account, make an address change, trouble tickets and MORE! Sign up on our website: <https://www.bristolbay.com/bill-pay-log-in> or give our office a call and a CSR will assist you.

## **MONTHLY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

### **BBTC BOARD MEETING**

MARCH 4TH, 2025 6:00 PM

### **OFFICE CLOSURES**

MARCH 31ST, 2025 - SEWARD'S DAY

### **OTHER IMPORTANT DATES**

March 9th, 2025- Daylight Savings



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