

PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION Fiber Optic Network Overview

Introductions

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PA Turnpike Fiber Optic Broadband Network

- Overview
- Background
- Operations, Maintenance, & Commercialization
- Design-Build Fiber Optic Network





Project Delivery

2016-2018: Public-Private Partnership (P3); one entity to design, build, finance, operate, maintain, & commercialize the network (2016 – 2018)

2019: Project approach changed from P3 to design-build plus OMC; Eastern Network design-build contracts bid and awarded

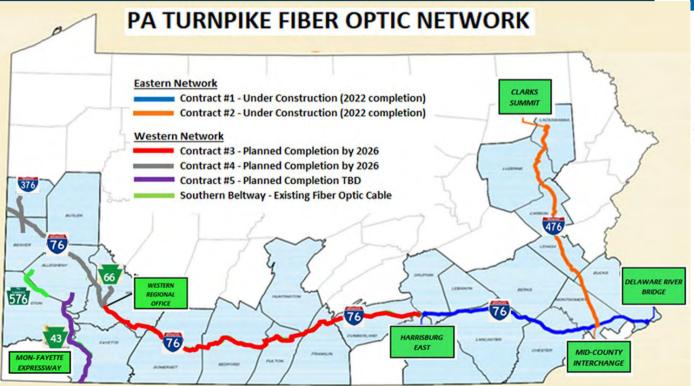
2020: Issued RFP and awarded contract for Fiber Operations, Maintenance, and Commercialization

2022: Western Network design-build contracts to be bid; OMC commercialization right to extend to Western Network

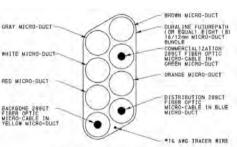




Overview







8-WAY MICRO-DUCT DETAIL OR TWO 4-WAY MICRO-DUCTS)





Project Costs & Estimates

Infrastructure Costs (including optical equipment, installation, and planning)

- Eastern Network: \$110 M
- Western Network: \$234 M



IoT Devices

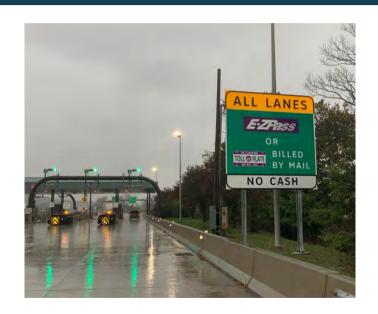
- CCTV 85 (road) 714 (total)
- Goal is to connect existing & future ITS devices to fiber
- Cameras (CCTV)
- Dynamic Message Signs (DMS)/ Variable Message Signs (VMS)
- Access Gates
- Road Weather Information System (RWIS)
- Pre-entry devices
- Other IoT devices







All Electronic Tolling



AET in place at existing interchanges

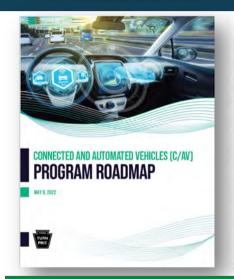


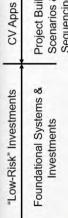
High Speed Open Road Tolling (ORT)





Connected & Automated Vehicles







PTC CV Applications

- Curve Speed Warnings
- ATIS
- Reduced Speed Warning
- WZ Warning
- Spot Weather Warning

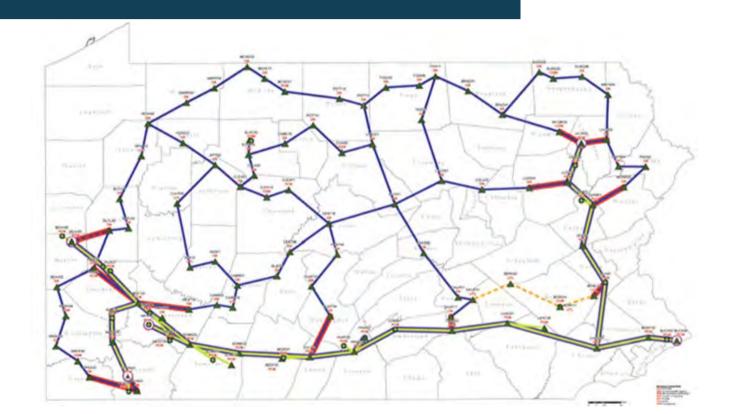
- Oversized Vehicle Warning
- Queue Warning
- Speed Harmonization
- Vehicle Data for Traffic Ops
- Electronic Toll Collection







Backhaul Communications





O&M and Commercialization

- PTC awarded contract to Plenary Broadband Infrastructure (PBI) partnering with Tilson Technologies to operate, maintain & commercialize (OMC) the PTC fiber optic infrastructure
- 25-year term of contract
- O&M Services
 - Coordination with PTC projects
 - Fiber management system
 - Perform routine maintenance
 - Connection of new and existing devices
- Commercialization
 - Eastern Network commercialization
 - Includes a net revenue share and guaranteed revenue for PTC
 - Negotiating terms of Western Network commercialization



OMC Permitted Commercialization Services

- Market empty micro-ducts;
- Dark fiber services
- Lit fiber services
- New cell towers subject to PTC approval on a case-by-case basis

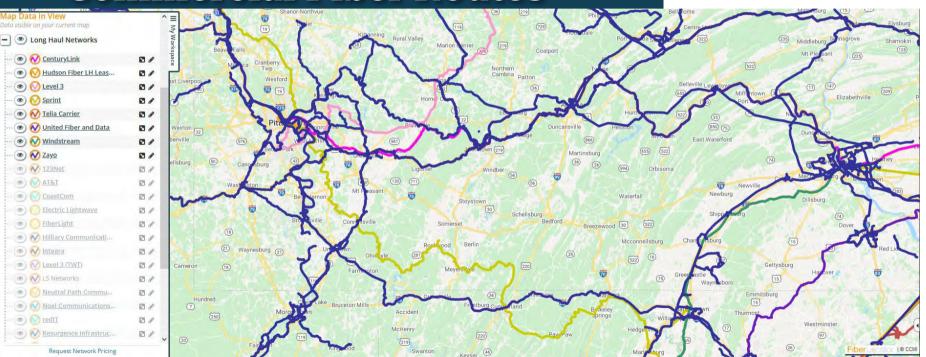


Commercial Benefits

- Unique Asset for Long Haul
- New Fiber
- Underground
- Diverse Route
- Direct Route
- Catalyst for Economic Development



Competing Long Haul Commercial Fiber Routes

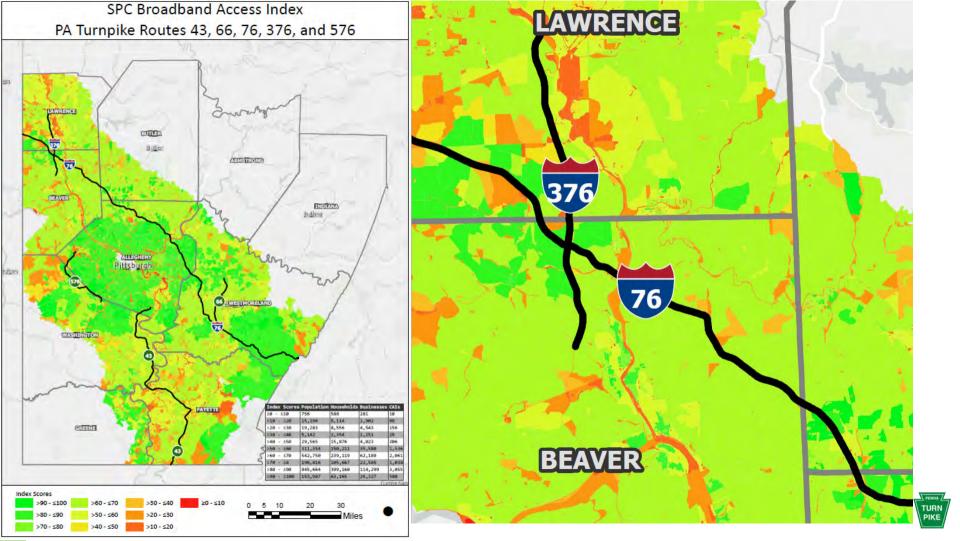




Proximity to Underserved Areas

- Unique path benefits rural areas
- Customers benefit from competition
- Federal broadband funding implications
- County and regional initiatives





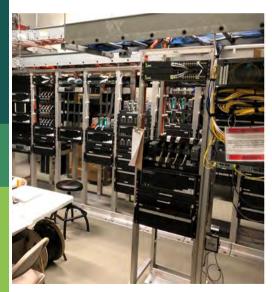
Design Considerations

- Eight micro ducts for PTC(4) and PBI(4)
- Two 288-count fiber optic cables for PTC
- One 288-count fiber optic cable for PBI
- Micro-trench in shoulder
- Junction boxes in shoulder
- Coordination with other projects
- Utility protection



Demarcation Sites



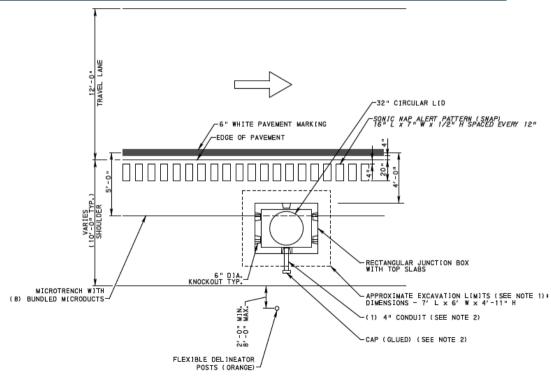








Junction Boxes in Shoulders

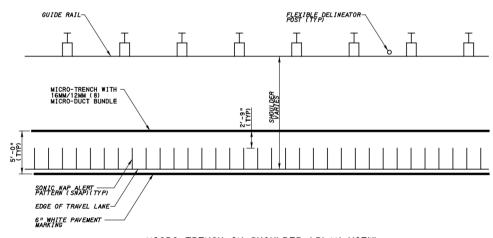


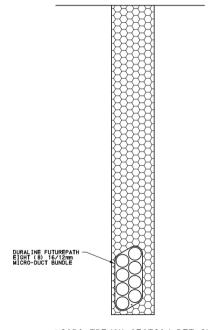


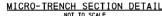
RECTANGULAR JUNCTION BOX - TOP VIEW

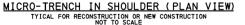
Micro-Trench Details

- Installed in shoulder 5' from white line
- 16" to trench bottom with 13" of cover;











Micro-trenching





Images from current Eastern Network construction



Micro-duct placement







Micro-trench reinstatement

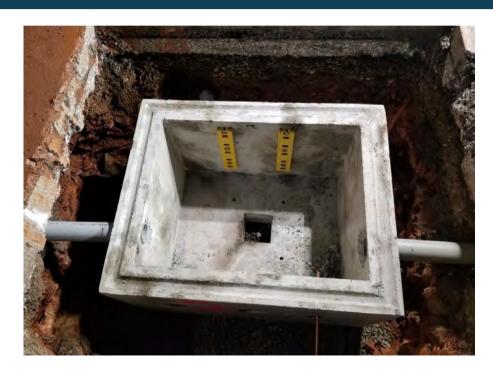








Junction Boxes

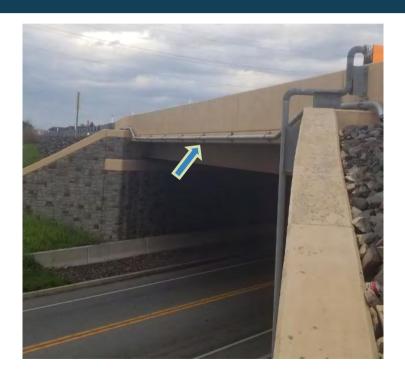








Bridge Attachments









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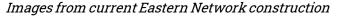


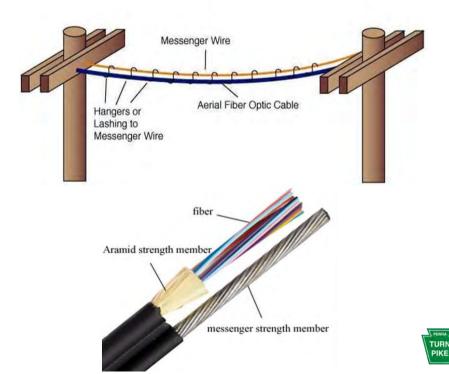




Aerial Fiber Optic Cable







Benefits of PTC Fiber Optic Broadband Network

- PTC operations & infrastructure
- Source of non-toll revenue
- Commercial asset
- Community benefit

