

December 7, 2021



State of the Industry WEBINAR

**Thursday, December 9, 2021
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Plan to join BCAP's "State of the Industry" executive roundtable webinar – Thursday morning, December 9 at 10:30 a.m. – focusing on the industry's most pressing and timely issues, particularly government broadband stimulus disbursements and rural deployment.

Our roundtable panelists, taking questions from all webinar participants, will include:

- John Del Viscio – Director of Operations, Blue Ridge Communications
- Wendy Hartman – General Manager, Adams Cable Service
- Joe Taylor – Vice President & General Manager, Armstrong
- Tim Trently – General Manager, Service Electric Cablevision
- Todd Eachus (moderator) – President, BCAP

The webinar will be administered over the Microsoft Teams app.



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Johnstown Tribune-Democrat

Casey: Broadband funding for rural areas key element of infrastructure bill

A lack of quality broadband service is an issue that the pandemic shined a glaring light on in 2020. Nearly 400,000 Pennsylvanians don't have reliable high-speed internet access – an estimate that dwarfs the city of Pittsburgh's population. It's going to take close collaboration with state- and county-level officials in areas such

as Cambria, Indiana and Somerset counties – but \$100 million in new statewide funds will build broadband bridges to close lingering gaps in rural Pennsylvania, U.S. Senator Bob Casey Jr. said Monday. “Broadband is just one of a long list of elements in the Infrastructure bill – but it’s one of the most important we could’ve invested in,” said Casey, touting it as a modern-day necessity in the age of virtual learning, online business opportunities and remote work.

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Verizon eyes enterprise opportunity with One Fiber build

Verizon CEO Hans Vestberg hinted the operator has its eye on fresh enterprise opportunities related to its ongoing One Fiber build, but provided little detail about what those might encompass. Verizon launched its One Fiber initiative in 2016, initially announcing a six-year, [\\$300 million project in Boston](#). It eventually outlined ambitions to add fiber to [more than 60 markets](#) outside of its ILEC footprint to serve its wireless and wireline networks. Speaking during a UBS investor conference on Monday, Vestberg said its One Fiber build will not only support its networks but is “going to be an important asset over time when we come to enterprises and things like that that we want to serve as well because we’re going to have our own fiber basically across the nation in the most big, important and populated places.”

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Instagram Unveils Tools to Keep Teens Safe, Including Parental Controls

Instagram unveiled a raft of new features on Tuesday that it said will make its site safer for teenagers. Among the measures, the popular photo-sharing service will be implementing tools to help users take breaks, or view new topics if they’ve been dwelling on one thing for too long, said Instagram head Adam Mosseri in a blog post. The platform, owned by Meta Platforms Inc., FB 1.49% formerly known as Facebook Inc., will also block users from tagging or mentioning teens who don’t follow them. It will give parents more control over how long their children use the app. And in January, it will allow all users to bulk-delete their own content, including photos, videos, likes and comments. The rollout comes the day before Mr. Mosseri is slated to [testify before Congress](#) for the first time.

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