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Surf Internet Begins Construction of Fiber Network in Oglesby, Illinois

COAL CITY, IL. (April 14, 2023) – Surf Internet^{SM} kicked off the next phase of bringing fiber internet services to the Oglesby, Ill., community with a groundbreaking ceremony held on April 13. Elected officials, members of the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce, Surf representatives, and community stakeholders were in attendance to celebrate this key milestone.

"This is the culmination of a close partnership with city officials to bring new economic opportunities and increased quality of life to residents through drastically improved broadband infrastructure," said Surf CEO Gene Crusie. "We're proud to begin the tangible work of deploying a fiber network in this community, bringing real transformation that is the direct result of the city leadership's vision and commitment."

Construction to bring high-speed internet to nearly 2,000 homes is expected to be completed by September of this year. Residents will see crews begin to run fiber aerially between telephone poles and underground in some areas. Once complete, the fiber infrastructure will allow Surf to introduce multi-gig speeds in the future, giving residents even faster options to suit their connectivity needs.

"Oglesby is extremely excited to increase its broadband options for both residents and businesses," said Mayor-Elect of Oglesby Jason Curran. "Surf is going to bring in new opportunities for families and new business ventures with this advanced technology."

The work in Oglesby is part of Surf's overall commitment to build an advanced fiber-optic network serving rural communities across the Great Lakes Region of Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan. Construction updates for all of their project areas can be found on the company's website at https://construction.surfinternet.com/.

About Surf Internet
Surf Internet is an innovative fiber-optic internet company that serves as the essential gateway to connectivity across the Great Lakes Region of Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan. The company is building a bridge to the wide open future by delivering high-speed, reliable internet to homes and businesses in underserved, rural communities. Surf's 140-plus-person team is local, giving them an edge when it comes to customer care and advocacy for the region. Headquartered in Elkhart, Ind., Surf also has offices in La Porte, Ind., Byron Center and Fowlerville, Mich., and Coal City and Rock Falls, Ill. Learn more at https://surfinternet.com.

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