## New Technology:



## The Pathway to Rural Connectivity

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## **Presentation Summary**



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### The W&H Pacific Story

- In business for 30 plus years
- Offices throughout the Northwest including Bend
- Land development, transportation, planning & telecommunications
- Consult to cities, counties & public agencies



## Sample Projects



- Northern Wasco PUD
- Douglas County PUD
- Clackamas County
- City of Portland

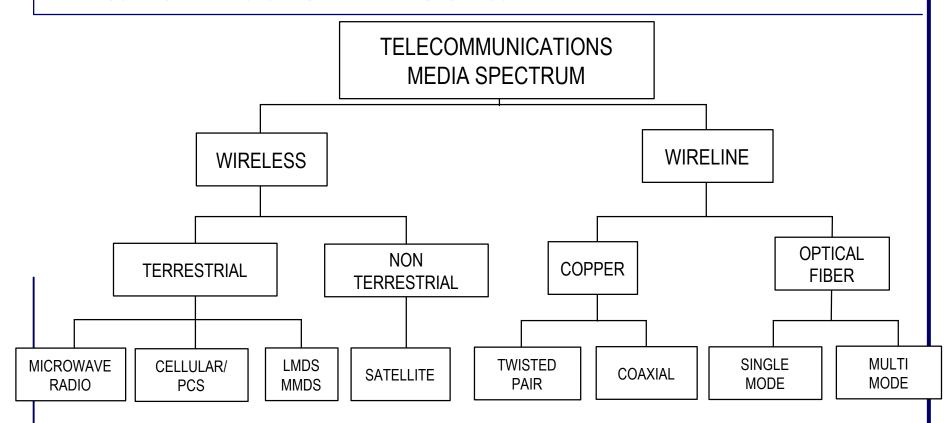




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## Telecommunications Transmission Media





#### **TLAs**

http://techweb.com/encyclopedia

http://www.acronymfinder.com



- POTS (plain old telephone service)
- T-1 (24 simultaneous conversations 1.54 Mbps)
- T-3 (28 T-1s or 45 Mbps)
- High Speed Internet (always on, 256k versus 56k)
- DSL (Digital Subscriber Line)
- VoIP (Voice Over Internet Protocol)



#### Fiber Terms



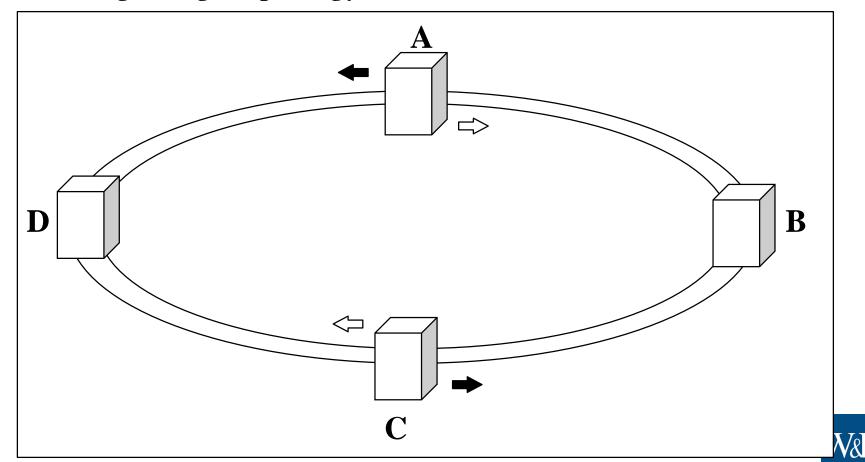
- ADSS Fiber Optic Cable (all dielectric self supporting no metal conductors)
- SMF(single mode fiber = long distance +Lasers)
- MMF (multi mode fiber = short distance + LED)
- SONET (Synchronous Optical NETwork)



## Fiber Optics:

Counter

Rotating Ring Topology - SONET



#### Lessons Learned



- Design network to ensure low cost of entry
- Put more fiber in the diet
- Promote & leverage economic development
- Timing is right; \$\$s are available
- Keep capital and operating costs low
- Don't repeat CLEC experience



# Why Enhanced Broadband is Critical



- Incumbents are cash strapped
- Through competition, prices fall and services grow
- Rural communities are ideal users of broadband access



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