



White River Connect News Release

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MEDIA ADVISORY

The Missouri Governor, Department of Economic Development, and White River Valley Electric Cooperative to Hold Joint News Conference

Branson, Missouri –The Missouri Governor's Office, Missouri Department of Economic Development, and White River Valley Electric Cooperative will be holding a joint press conference on Thursday, March 2 to recognize the efforts made to ensure fiber internet will be made available to those living in rural areas of the Ozarks.

The press conference will be held at White River Valley Electric Cooperative located at 2449 State Highway 76 East, Branson, Missouri at 4 p.m.

Earlier this year, on January 23, the Missouri Department of Economic Development announced it was awarding White River Valley Electric Cooperative \$47,387,646 through the ARPA Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program.

Learn how the funds from the grant will be used to help build the White River Connect fiber network.

For more information about White River Valley Electric Cooperative's fiber-to-the-home project, White River Connect, visit https://www.whiteriverconnect.com.

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White River Valley Electric Cooperative is a <u>Touchstone Energy Cooperative</u> dedicated to ensuring our members receive safe and reliable service in their homes and businesses across five southwest Missouri counties including Ozark, Taney, Stone, Christian and Douglas.