



Press Release

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For immediate release:

Blue Sky Net (www.blueskynet.ca) and the Muskoka Community Network (www.mcnet.ca) are pleased to announce a new working relationship. This new relationship will see the two organizations work collaboratively to bring high speed Internet to areas where it doesn't currently exist.

Both Blue Sky Net(Blue Sky) and Muskoka Community Network(MCN) have been working in their respective areas on technology advancement for some time. However, this new relationship will see a collaborative approach in selected geographical areas.

These areas include the Almaguin highlands region, and some areas where both Blue Sky Net and Muskoka Community Network border on the Parry Sound region.

Rob McPhee, Executive Director for the Muskoka Community Network explains that "By working with Blue Sky Net we are each able to capitalize on our strengths, work-in-progress, and our geographical locations for service delivery. This new working relationship is designed to be beneficial for the people and organizations on the ground that do not have access to high speed Internet."

Susan Church, the General Manager for the Blue Sky Economic Growth Corporation says that "When you look at a map of both our proposed coverage areas it becomes obvious how many people and businesses this is going to help. A partnership between Blue Sky and MCN will ensure a high quality of service for the end user."

For the Almaguin area, Blue Sky Net will continue with its service deployment projects, while Muskoka Community Network will provide best practices workshops on using high speed Internet for business and social growth.

Regarding the Parry Sound area, Blue Sky Net is continuing its work in that region. However, where there is an advantage for service to be deployed to the Parry Sound region from the geography of the Muskoka area, Muskoka Community Network and Blue Sky Net will work together to find the best solution.

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