



Key Dates

August 2011
Collinsville to Springfield
Segment Operational

December 2011
Collinsville to Chicago
Segment Operational

IBOP-EC Update



As we prepare for the start of fiber construction late this summer, there are a number of activities underway. As of June 1, 38% of the detailed design for the backbone and 64% of the detailed design for laterals is complete. We are currently in the process of preparing and submitting permit applications for rights-of-way, railroad crossings, creek crossings, and other considerations along the first few anticipated fiber construction paths. Additionally, we anticipate beginning required archeological survey work along the fiber construction paths by the first week in July. This work is a requirement of the State Historic Preservation Office and will be coordinated with them prior to construction within any areas of historic and/or cultural significance.

Lighting Collinsville to Chicago

Work to extend the I-55 fiber to the Springfield POP site has been completed. Orders are being placed with Level3 to splice fiber as needed along this path. CMS staff is currently working with the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority and the Illinois Department of Transportation to finalize the specific fiber connectivity path in the Chicago area to the ICN POP site in downtown Chicago. Optical equipment has been ordered and received for ICN POP sites in Collinsville, Springfield, and Chicago.

Pictures to extend leased fiber into the ICN POP site in Springfield, Illinois.



ILLINOIS CENTURY NETWORK
Procurement Opportunities

Central Management Services (CMS) intends to issue bids for the following:

- Lease dark fiber from Triton College to I-90, I-290, or downtown Chicago POP
- Lease dark fiber from Morton College to I-90, I-290, or downtown Chicago POP
- Long term maintenance of newly constructed fiber
- Fiber cabling

Vendors interested in responding to procurement opportunities should register to sell to the State of Illinois at www.sell2.illinois.gov. To receive email notifications of upcoming procurement opportunities register at www.purchase.state.il.us.

All Illinois Century Network (ICN) and IBOP EC related procurements are posted at the agency level (i.e. Illinois Department of Central Management Services (CMS)).