

Kansas Department of Commerce Broadband Acceleration Grant

Public Comment

“AMG Technology Investment Group, LLC dba
Nextlink – Greenwood and Elk Counties” Application
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COMMENTS

SKT is submitting information to show that it provides broadband service over 25/3 Mbps in areas targeted by the “AMG Technology Group, LLC dba NextLink – Greenwood and Elk Counties” Broadband Acceleration Grant application.

In the Public Project Proposal, NextLink indicates it would serve Piedmont with fiber to the premises and areas of Severy with Fixed Wireless. According to the proposal, an estimated 145 locations will be passed.

SKT currently provides 75/10 Mbps DSL service within the Piedmont community, and 50/10 Mbps within a one-mile radius of Piedmont. SKT offers Cable Modem speeds up to and including 1 Gbps/15 Mbps in Severy. In total, 218 homes and businesses are passed by SKT in Piedmont and Severy with 50/10 Mbps to 1 Gbps/15 Mbps, which overlaps the proposed Nextlink service area.

SKT participates in the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), which provides eligible households with a monthly discount on broadband service. ACP is available to customers in all SKT service areas, including Piedmont and Severy.

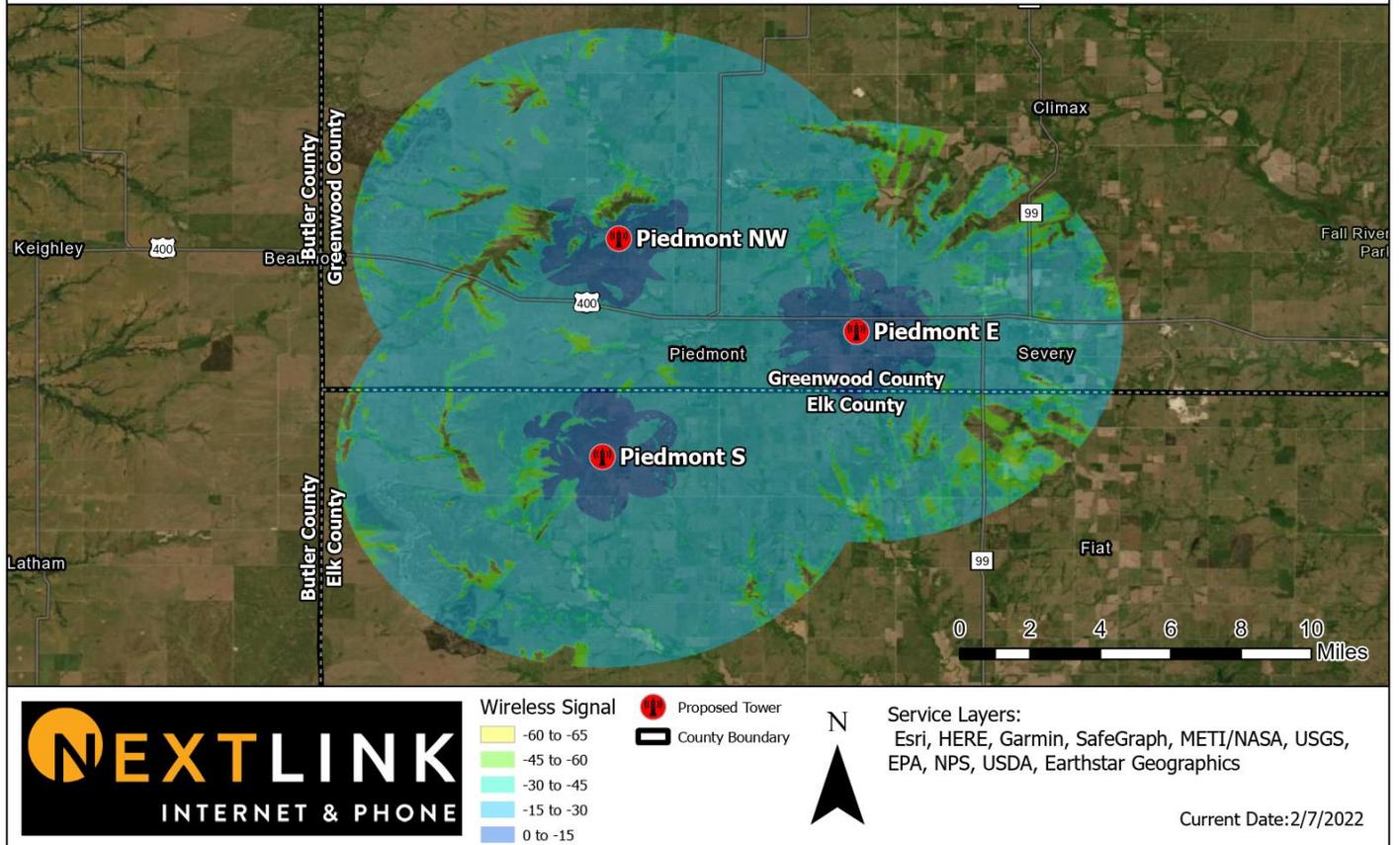
For documentation, refer to the SKT service area map at SKTC.net/map. Screenshots have been included on subsequent pages. The yellow area for Piedmont has access to 50-75 Mbps download and 10 Mbps upload. The purple area for Severy has access to 1 Gbps/15 Mbps.

This information is backed up by the FCC mapping. The 477 Map indicates that SKT offers 75/10 Mbps in Piedmont and 150/3 Mbps in Severy. SKT performed a network upgrade during 2021, and since that time offers speeds up to and including 1 Gbps/15 Mbps in Severy, and the new speeds are not yet reflected in the current FCC 477 Map.

MAPS | NEXTLINK PROPOSAL

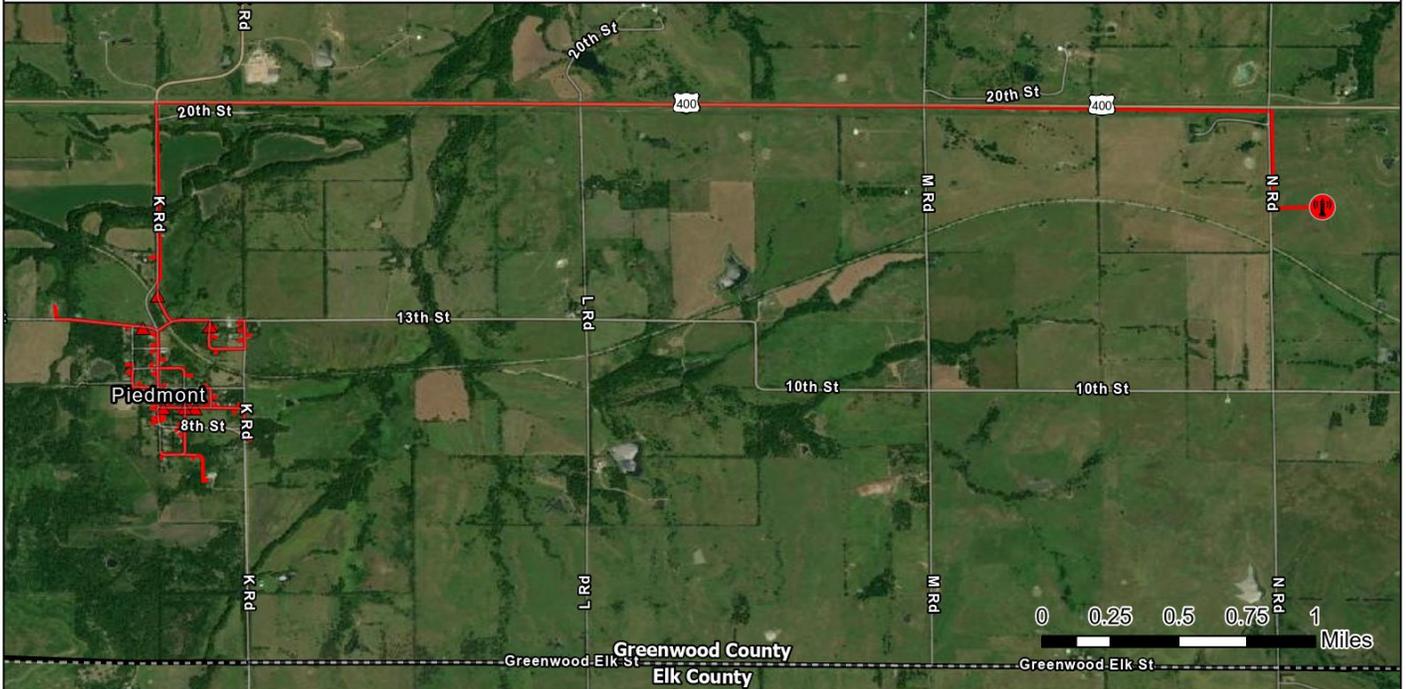
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Wireless Network



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Fiber to the Home



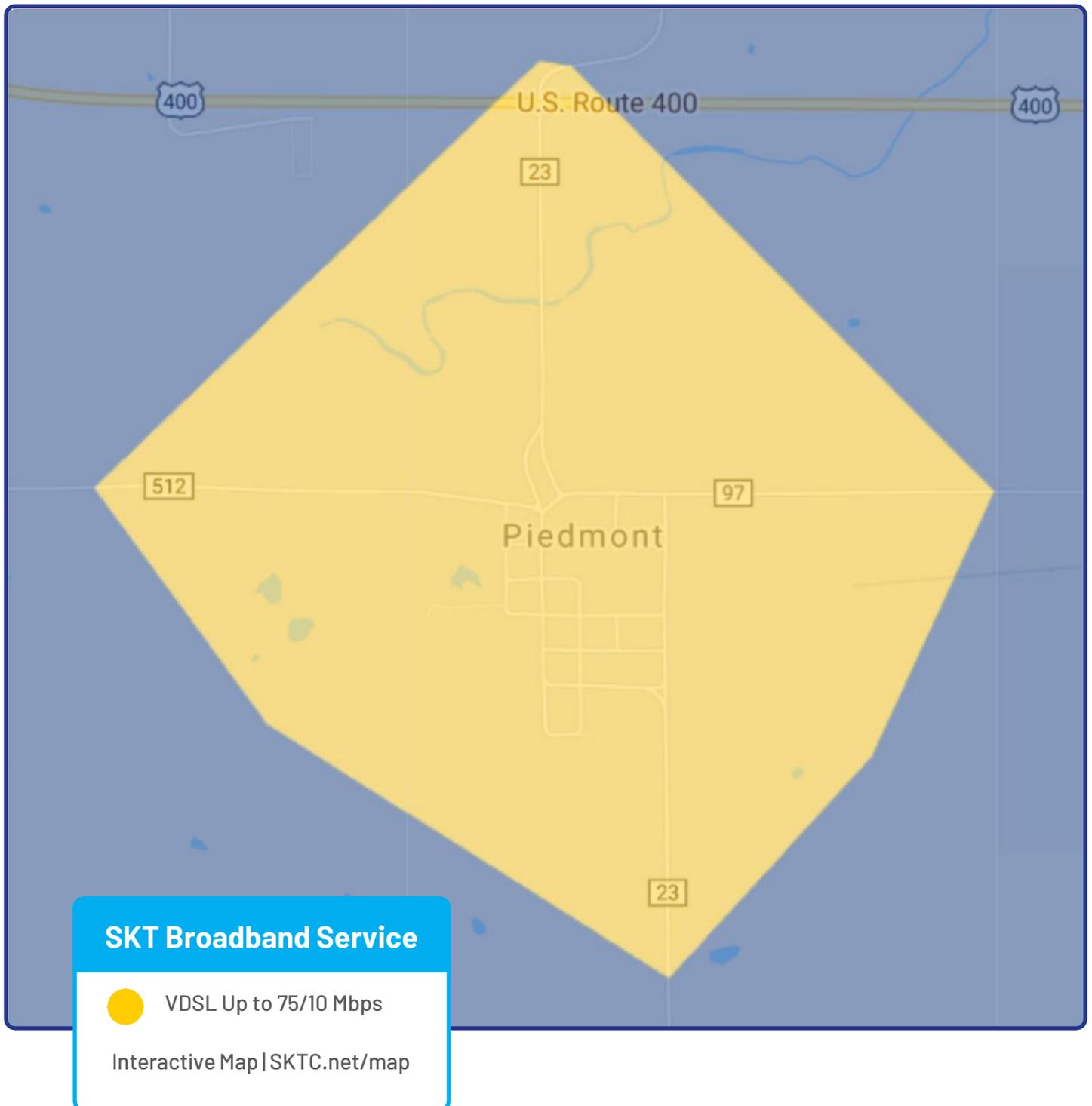
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- ▲ Proposed Splice
 - Proposed Fiber Cable
 - Ⓣ Proposed Tower/Fiber Connection
 - ▬ County Boundary



Service Layers:
Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies, Inc., METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, US Census Bureau, USDA, Maxar

Current Date: 2/7/2022

SKT MAP | PIEDMONT



SKT Broadband Service

 VDSL Up to 75/10 Mbps

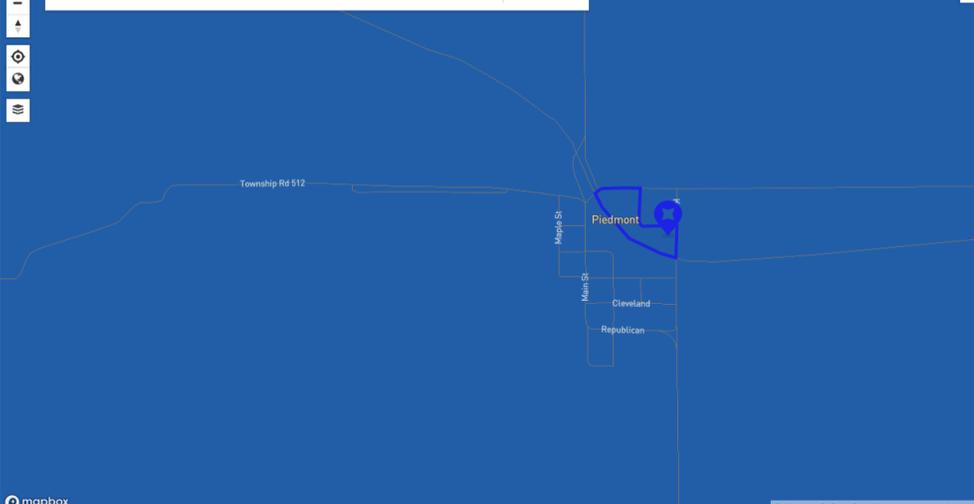
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FCC MAP | PIEDMONT


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Fixed Broadband Deployment

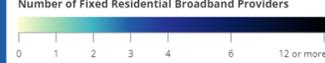
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All Providers Reporting Service
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Census block ID: 200739658002276

Number of Fixed Residential Broadband Providers


Broadband
⚙️

Technology ADSL, Cable, Fiber, Fixed Wireless, Satellite, Other
Speed ≥ 25/3 Mbps
Date Dec. 2020 (latest public release)

Provider	Tech	Down <small>(Mbps)</small>	Up <small>(Mbps)</small>
☑️ Southern Kansas Telephone Company	ADSL	75	10
☑️ ViaSat, Inc.	Satellite	35	3
☑️ Hughes Network Systems, LLC	Satellite	25	3
☑️ Telephone and Data Systems, Inc.	Fixed Wireless	2	0.064
VSAT Systems, LLC	Satellite	2	1.3

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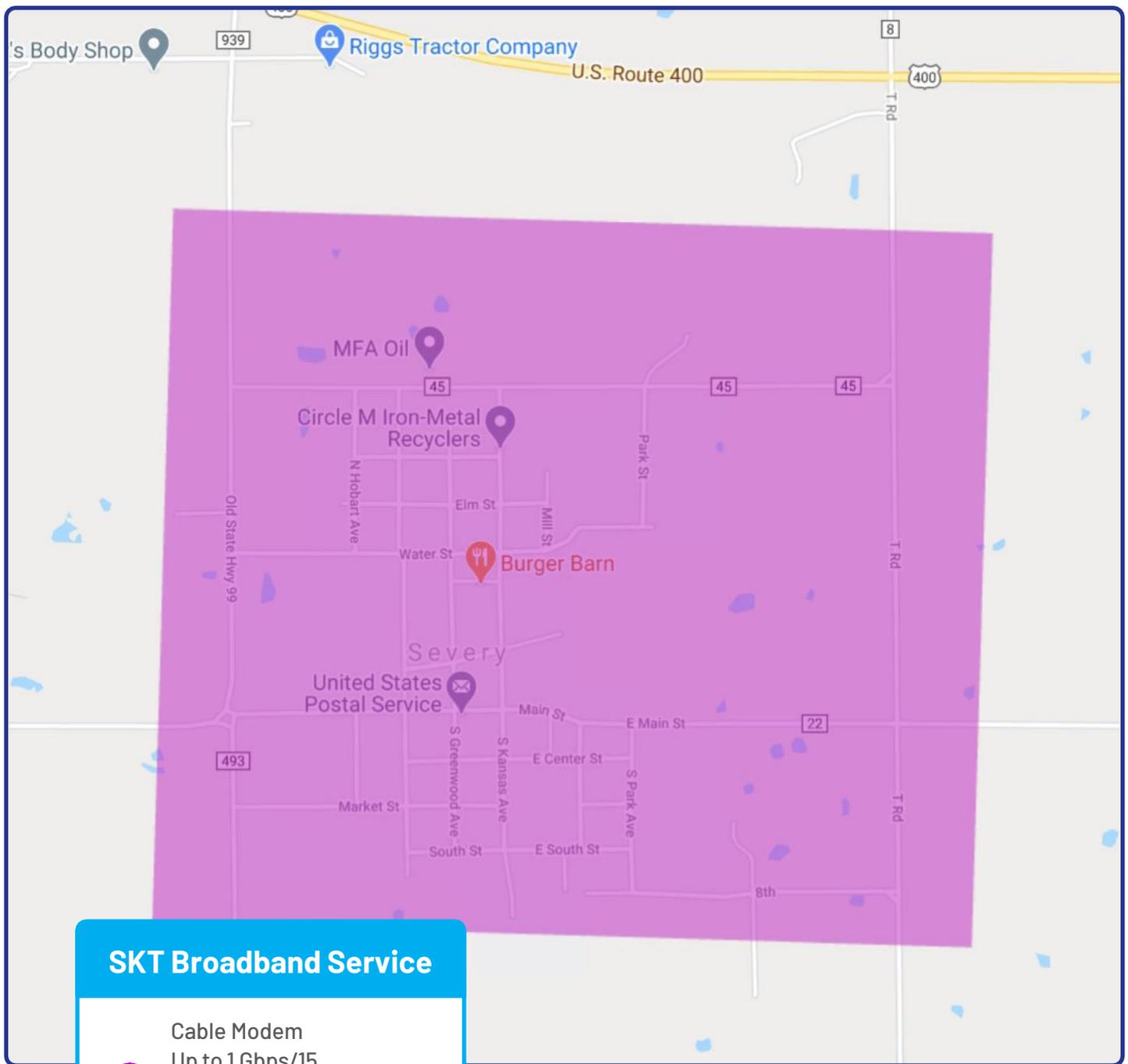
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SKT MAP | SEVERY



SKT Broadband Service

- Cable Modem
- Up to 1 Gbps/15 Mbps

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FCC MAP | SEVERY

Address: Severy, Kansas, United States

All Providers Reporting Service

Census block ID: 200739658002308

Number of Fixed Residential Broadband Providers

0 1 2 3 4 6 12 or more

Broadband

Technology: ADSL, Cable, Fiber, Fixed Wireless, Satellite, Other
 Speed: ≥ 25/3 Mbps
 Date: Dec. 2020 (latest public release)

Provider	Tech	Down (Mbps)	Up (Mbps)
Southern Kansas Telephone Company	Cable	150	15
ViaSat, Inc.	Satellite	35	3
JMZ Corporation	Fixed Wireless	25	5
Hughes Network Systems, LLC	Satellite	25	3
AT&T Inc.	Fixed Wireless	10	1
Telephone and Data Systems, Inc.	Fixed Wireless	2	0.064
VSAT Systems, LLC	Satellite	2	1.3

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Note: SKT upgraded its facilities in 2021, and now offers 1 Gbps/15 Mbps broadband within the City of Severy and has included the updates in 477 submissions.