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New Copper Valley WIFI hotspots and Cell Tower improve communications coverage in Valdez

Copper Valley Telecom has recently added and upgraded a cellular tower and WIFI antennas at key locations in Valdez to improve communications coverage for residents and visitors. “These enhancements to our cellular and WIFI networks demonstrate Copper Valley’s long-term commitment to expanding and improving communication options in the communities we serve,” said Copper Valley CEO, Dave Dengel.

A new cell tower was erected in November at the company’s network center on West Egan Drive. This tower boosts signal strength for wireless phone and data users in the Cottonwood Subdivision, along Homestead Road, and in the core of Valdez. The tower also adds more capacity for voice calls and data usage. This will allow Copper Valley’s system to handle the growing wireless demand for both CVW customers and visitors using other carriers’ wireless phones.

In December, Copper Valley upgraded its Valdez Airport WIFI system to better accommodate the number of people who wish to access the Internet while waiting for flights. The WIFI hotspot signal now extends throughout the terminal, including the baggage claim, ticket counter, and restaurant-lounge areas.

In addition, the company has installed a new WIFI hotspot near the Kelsey Dock that will provide year round coverage at the Alaska Marine Highway ferry terminal and at the city dock area. Other Copper Valley Public WIFI hotspots are located at the Valdez Civic Center, the Mancamp, and the Small Boat Harbor. More hotspots are located throughout Copper Valley’s service area, including at the Hub and the Caribou Hotel in Glennallen, in Cordova’s downtown and boat harbor, Chitina, and, coming this summer, in McCarthy. All hotspots may be used by any WIFI enabled device such as laptop computers, tablets, or smart phones and are available to the general public for hourly, daily, weekly, or monthly rates.

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