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Key Features of the Proposed approach

- No initial need for State, County, or City resources to establish Phase 0 and I deployment – (Phase II and III could draw on convenient County locations)
- * No requirement for County direct investment
- An inclusive nonprofit organizational approach that allows participation from any and all Internet service providers that currently or plan to operate in the County
- * State of the art network technology with provision for continuous upgrade
- Full network interoperability with in-place 802.11 hotspot infrastructure and wireless PCs
- Proposing Partner Agreement to Implement the Plan and provide initial wireless services
- * Ability to meet Phase I by end of 2005 and complete coverage by 2007

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Phase 0 – County Survey – DTED Level 3



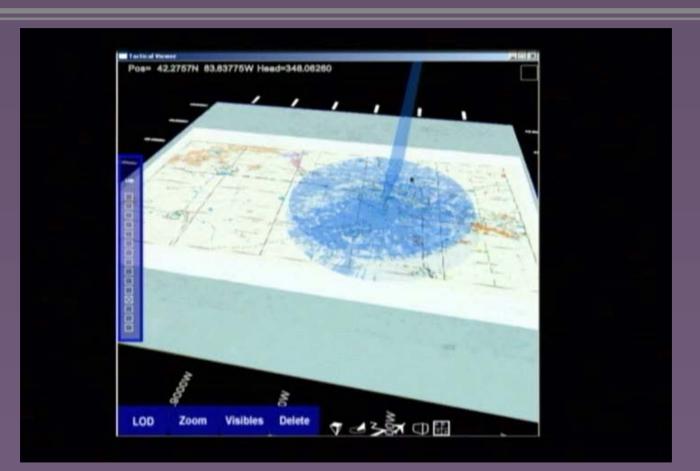
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Phase I – Deployment of Service from Partner Owned POPs



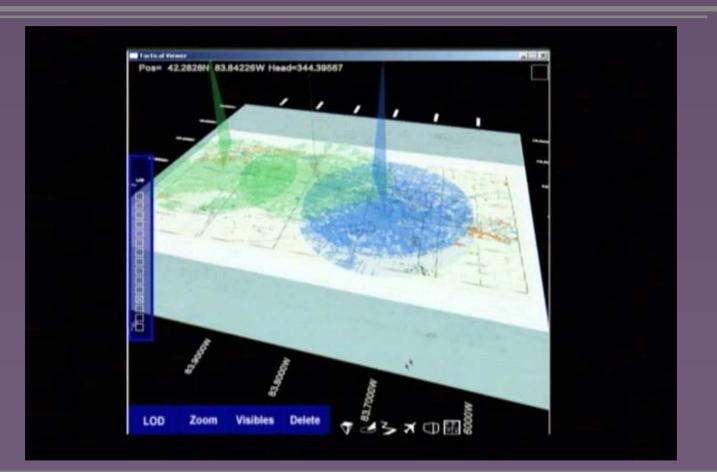
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Phase II – Deployment to cover 70% and all High Population Centers



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Phase III – Complete County Coverage





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Standards-based Approach Proposed

Standards:

MAC OS X Windows 98/ME, NT, 2000, and XP Linux 802.11 b/g* AODV RFC 3561**

* Provision for use of existing access points and clients. Provision for evolution and insertion of new wireless technologies

**Modified to provide higher levels of scalability and operation in multipath/grayzones. Provision for network directed upgrades for network management and protocol improvements as they are defined.



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Business Model

- * *Free operation within the County*
- Fee-based access to routes from inside the County to the Internet through multiple redundant POPs (Points of Presences)
- * Fees cover network operation and payment to POP operators
- Users pay for network cards, access points, roof-top units where necessary
- * Provision for free use for public places, schools, etc.