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Progress of high-speed Internet deployment in the region More than 180 kilometres of fibre optics have been installed

Lachute, October 8, 2021 - The MRC d'Argenteuil and Fibre Argenteuil inc. are pleased to report on the progress of high-speed Internet deployment. Despite minor changes to the delivery schedules for the different deployment phases for some sectors, the work is progressing well, and the number of connections is constantly increasing.

A very positive outlook despite minor delays

To date, the MRC d'Argenteuil and Fibre Argenteuil have deployed just over 180 kilometres of fibre optic network, bringing high-speed Internet, telephone and television services to nearly 1,600 previously unserved households. Fibre Argenteuil currently has more than 800 subscribers and a 95% customer satisfaction rate. These households are located in sectors of the municipalities of Brownsburg-Chatham, Harrington and Grenville-sur-la-Rouge. It should be noted that the deployment schedule is determined by the various government subsidy programs and their eligibility criteria.

To find out where services are now fully available, residents are invited to consult the [online mapping tool](#) on the MRC d'Argenteuil website. At present, services are available to all households included in Phases #1 and #2 as well as those included in the Lac Curran project, in the municipality of Wentworth. The timelines for Phases #4 and #5 remain unchanged and the residents of these sectors should have progressive access to Fibre Argenteuil's high-speed Internet service by the end of 2021.

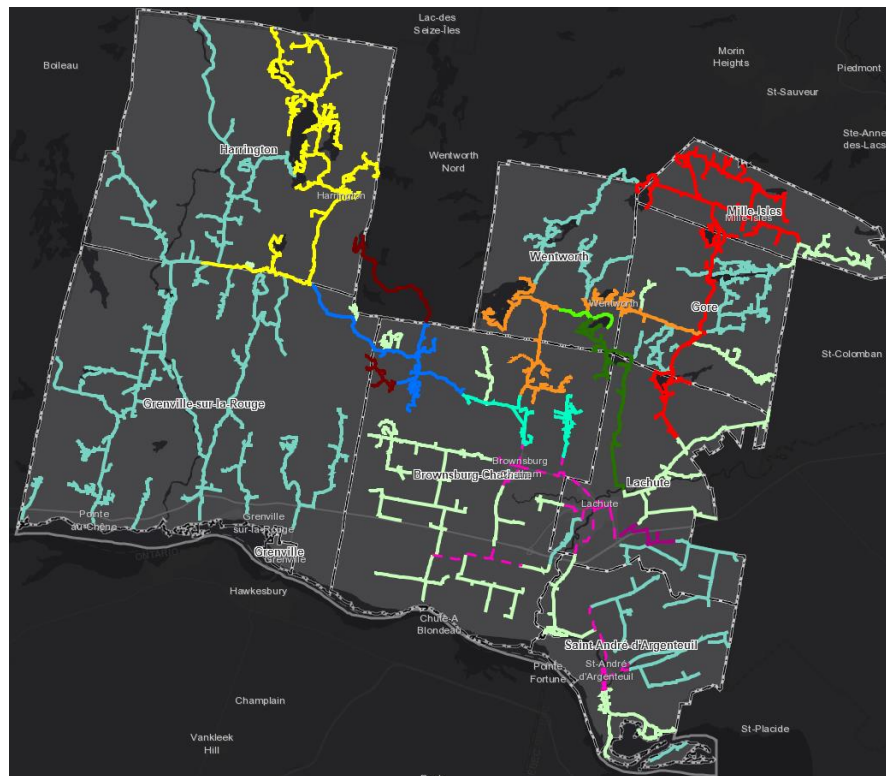
Changes to the delivery schedule affect a portion of Phases #3 and #6 and the Dunany sector. While many subscribers in these sectors have access to Argenteuil Fibre services and construction work is well underway, high-speed Internet, telephone and television services are not available to the entire population living there. The MRC d'Argenteuil and Fibre Argenteuil estimate the additional delay at a few weeks. These minor delays, which are due to work beyond our control that is required on the support structures, will not prevent the MRC d'Argenteuil and Fibre Argenteuil team from working tirelessly to provide this essential service to the Argenteuil population as quickly as possible.

Les phases de construction des projets de déploiement de fibres optiques de la MRC d'Argenteuil | PROJETS BPI ET FARR

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Soon 100% high-speed Internet coverage across Argenteuil

On July 21, 2021, the governments of Québec and Canada jointly announced an investment of \$12.6 million so that the MRC could carry out the third and final stage of its high-speed fibre optic Internet deployment project. This stage, named *Argenteuil Branchée – Volet Éclair II*, will finally provide this much-awaited service to the entire population of the MRC d'Argenteuil.

The MRC d'Argenteuil intends to meet the ambitious September 2022 deadline set by the Québec government to reach the 8,000 households that did not have high-speed Internet access at the start of the deployment projects in 2020.

Fibre Argenteuil encourages all citizens covered by these deployment phases to pre-subscribe and take advantage of the associated benefits. Customers who sign up for a Fibre Argenteuil COMBO or TRIO package will receive free basic installation and will be given priority when it comes time to connect equipment inside the home, such as the Wi-Fi router. To date, in addition to its 800 existing customers, Argenteuil Fibre already has 1150 pre-subscribers.

The MRC d'Argenteuil will keep the deployment schedule up to date on its website, particularly for the new sectors recently announced, i.e. the portions of the territory covered by the *Régions Branchées* and *Argenteuil Branchée – Volet Éclair II* projects, and invites the population to refer to it.

For more information or to subscribe, visit the [Fibre Argenteuil website](#) to discover the different packages.

Connecting, together!

As part of its business strategy, the MRC d'Argenteuil created the non-profit organization (NPO) Fibre Argenteuil inc. in 2018, to which it entrusted the management and maintenance of the network, operations, and customer service. Fibre Argenteuil Inc. is the result of an initiative by the MRC and its mission is to facilitate and provide telecommunications services to as many citizens as possible.

The vast fibre optic network being built for this purpose, which will be close to 1,000 kilometres long by the end of 2022, will belong to all the people of Argenteuil by virtue of its ownership by the MRC, thus providing the population with a powerful lever for economic and social development for the benefit of the common good.

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