Verizon Wireless expands high-speed network to Bend, elsewhere in Oregon

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Bend, Medford, Klamath Falls, Astoria, Seaside, Canon Beach, Tillamook, Pacific City, Lincoln City, Depoe Bay, Yaquina Bay, Waldport, Yachats and Newport now fall under the network coverage area

Verizon Wireless customers in more Oregon towns can now access e-mail, everyday corporate data, the Internet and more at faster speeds; check out video on their phones; download music right over the air; and play 3D games -- as Verizon Wireless expands its wireless high-speed broadband network to include several towns in southern Oregon and along the Oregon coast. The companyâ€™s wireless broadband network allows customers to access BroadbandAccess on their laptops, e-mail on their PDAs and V CAST Video and Music on their wireless phones.

The wireless broadband network coverage area in the state now extends to:

Â· Medford, Bend, Klamath Falls

Â· Coastal towns of Astoria, Seaside, Canon Beach, Tillamook, Pacific City, Lincoln City, Depoe Bay, Yaquina Bay, Waldport, Yachats, Newport

Based on CDMA 1x Evolution-Data Optimized (EV-DO) Revision (Rev.) A technology, the wireless broadband network provides Verizon Wireless customers in Southern Oregon with data uplink speeds significantly faster than the companyâ€™s award-winning national EV-DO network, which the company rolled out in Oregon in June 2005.

BroadbandAccess

The companyâ€™s flagship business data service, BroadbandAccess, provides average download speeds of 600 kilobits per second (kbps) to 1.4 megabits and average upload speeds of 500-800 kbps, which means customers with Rev. A-compatible devices can download a 1 Megabyte e-mail attachment -- the equivalent of a small PowerPointÂ® presentation or a large PDF file -- in about eight seconds and upload the same-sized file in less than 13 seconds.

Verizon Wireless offers several BroadbandAccess devices for the companyâ€™s wireless broadband network. All of the devices are fully compatible with the companyâ€™s wireless broadband network and its NationalAccess network (based on CDMA 1xRTT technology), giving customers the ability to remain connected if they travel outside of the wireless broadband coverage area.

V CAST: Video and Music

The companyâ€™s high-speed network also enables its V CAST multimedia services, offering customers the ability to download full song tracks, play cutting-edge 3D games and stream video clips straight to their phones. With content updated daily, customers can watch dozens of on-demand videos, including breaking news, weather, sports highlights, and the hottest entertainment clips.

With V CAST Music, Verizon Wireless has built a massive full-song mobile music store that contains more than 2.1 million songs from well-known and independent artists that customers can download over-the-air, right onto their V CAST Music-enabled phones.

â€œThe broadband network expansion has something for everyone on the go,â€• said Kelley Kurtzman, regional president of Verizon Wireless. â€œBroadbandAccess lets our business customers experience a truly untethered mobile office experience. With V CAST, consumers have access to a comprehensive selection of downloadable music, high-quality videos and the coolest 3D games.â€•

Verizon Wireless was the first national wireless provider to commercially launch a high-speed wireless broadband network in the United States. Today, its entire nationwide CDMA 1x EV-DO network has been enhanced to Revision (Rev.) A technology that reaches more than three-quarters of the U.S. population -- more than 228 million people.

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