

## Government of Alberta Seeking Rural Municipal Input on Broadband

In December 2016, the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) ruled that access to broadband internet is a basic telecommunications service. The decision set new targets for broadband internet access services including 90 per cent of Canadian homes and businesses having access to fixed broadband services by 2021, with download speeds of at least 50 megabits per second (Mbps) and upload speeds of at least 10 Mbps.

Service levels and quality of broadband service range throughout the province. Therefore, following the CRTC decision, the Government of Alberta decided to work towards a future where every Albertan has access to a good quality internet connection.

To help achieve this, Service Alberta is administering a survey to gather information from key stakeholders that will help inform the development of recommendations for a Provincial Broadband Strategy that reflects the needs and best interests of Albertans.

The deadline to complete the survey is **March 19, 2018**.

To take the survey, click [here](#).

Any questions about the survey can be directed to Claudette Dunsing, Manager, Provincial Broadband Strategy, Ministry of Service Alberta, by email at [Claudette.dunsing@gov.ab.ca](mailto:Claudette.dunsing@gov.ab.ca).

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